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# Health and Human Services Committee Wednesday, August 6, 2025 – 5:00 pm Conference Call 1.312-626-6799 Zoom Meeting # 863 8762 2441 https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86387622441 303 W Chapel Street

Dodgeville, Wisconsin

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	Any subject on this agenda may become an action item.
1	Call to order.
2	Roll Call.
3	Approve the meeting agenda for August 6, 2025.
4	Approve the minutes of June 2025 meeting.
5	Reports from committee members and an opportunity for members of the audience to address the Committee. No action will be taken.
6	Review Final Quarter 2024 and First Quarter 2025 Financial Reports
7	Presentation of ADRC/Social Services Annual Report
8	Discussion on Annual Appeal for Iowa County Senior Nutrition Program
9	UW- EXTENSION Department Update and presentation
10	VETERANS OFFICE
10	Department update
11	ADRC
	Department Update

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Next meeting: Wednesday September 3, 2025 at 5:00 PM

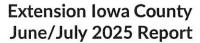


#### **UNAPPROVED MINUTES**

Health and Human Services Committee WEDNESDAY, JUNE 4, 2025, at 5:00 p.m. Health and Human Services Community Room 303 W. Chapel Street., Dodgeville, Wisconsin lowa County Wisconsin

Item	
1	Chairman Nankee called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m.
2	Roll Call:
	Members Present in Community Room: Chairman Dan Nankee, Bruce Paull, Dody Cockeram, Richard
	Rolfsmeyer, Justin O'Brien
	Others Present in Community Room: Larry Bierke, Nikki Mumm, Holly Knapp, Lynn Perkins, Jeff Lindeman,
	Tom Slaney, Valerie Hiltbrand, Mel Masters, John Meyers, Debbie Siegenthaler, Joan Davis, Barry Hottman,
	Ann Fillback Watt, Lori Brice, Dr. Nicole Lopez Purkapile, Susan Mahaney, Justinn Jenkins, Maximillion
	Frommelt, Sheryl Brokopp
	Others Present Remotely: Tyson Rittenmeyer
3	Approval of the June 4, 2025, Agenda:
	Motion by O'Brien and seconded by Cockeram to accept the agenda. Aye: 5; Nay: 0. Motion carried.
4	Approval of the April 2, 2025, Meeting Minutes:
	Motion by Rolfsmeyer and seconded by Paull to accept the meeting minutes with the change in #7
	differentiating Rick and Marilyn Rolfsmeyer. Aye: 5; Nay: 0. Motion carried.
5	Reports From Committee Members and an Opportunity for Members of the Audience to Address the
	Committee. No action will be taken.
	Slaney – He thanked the Law Enforcement Center for being accommodating with the Senior Nutrition
	Program.
6	Consider Resolution to Dissolve Regional Aging and Disability Resource Center (ADDRC) and Approve the
	Application to Become a Single County ADRC:
	Slaney provided a resolution in the packet and presented. Rolfsmeyer requested to amend the resolution
	with a verbiage change from dissolve to leave. Motion by Rolfsmeyer and seconded by Cockeram to
	approve the resolution as amended and recommend to the County Board of Supervisors. Aye: 5; Nay: 0.
	Motion carried.
7	Unified Community Services Update:
	Knapp provided a report in the packet, presented, and answered questions. Bierke has been working with
	Grant County to develop a new agreement.
8	UW- Extension Update:
	Perkins provided a report in the packet, presented, and answered questions. Currently unsure of impact of
	Federal Funding to Foodwise Program. Hottman presented on Community Development Outreach
	Programming to the Committee.
9	Veteran's Office Update:
10	Lindeman provided a report in the packet, presented, and answered questions.
10	Social Services Update:
	Slaney provided a report in the packet, presented, and answered questions. He passed a letter around to
11	committee members that he shared with the Senior Nutrition Program participants.
11	Presentations by Opioid Grant Applicants:
	Merrimac & Main – For a dedicated space, Recovery Clubhouse, for their Addiction Recovery Program.  Families & Schools Together – To facilitate F.A.S.T. Programming with local School Districts and families
	which connects families to resources and each other.
	Unified Community Services — \$30,000 to go along with \$70,000 from Grant County for a \$100,000 match
	from Vital Strategies. Funding will be used to expand current funding and offset the loss in funding and services from the SOAR4 Grant.
	Iowa County Health Department – For Public Health Vending Machine promotion, support, and public
	presentation.
	presentation.

Dodgeville School District – For Sources of Strength Programming.
SWCAP – For the Opportunity House.
Motion to go into closed session pursuant to State Statute 19.85(1)(e), Wisconsin Statutes, to consider
Investment of County Funds. The committee will discuss and determine grant awards for the Opioid
Settlement Funds Grant:
Motion by Rolfsmeyer and seconded by Cockeram to go into closed session pursuant to State Statute
19.85(1)(e), Wisconsin Statutes, to consider Investment of County Funds to include all Iowa County
Supervisors, Larry Bierke, and Nikki Mumm. Roll Call: O'Brien: yes, Cockeram: yes, Paull: yes, Rolfsmeyer:
yes, Nankee: yes. Motion carried at 7:53 p.m.
Motion to return to open session:
Motion by Rolfsmeyer and seconded by O'Brien to return to open session. Aye: 5: Nay: 0. Motion carried at
8:29 p.m.
Possible action on closed session:
Motion by Rolfsmeyer and seconded by O'Brien to fund Merrimac and Main at \$11,100, Unified
Community Services at \$30,000, Iowa County Health Department at \$15,000, Dodgeville School District at
\$12,000, and SWCAP at \$15,000. Aye: 5: Nay: 0; Motion carried.
Wednesday, July 2, 2025: Approved for the next HHS Committee meeting at 5:00 p.m., HHS Center,
Community Room, Dodgeville.
Motion by Rolfsmeyer and seconded by Cockeram to adjourn. Aye: 5, Nay: 0. Meeting adjourned at 8:32
p.m.,





Agriculture
Kim Kester, Regional Livestock Educator
Jackie McCarville, Regional Dairy Educator
Jordyn Sattler, Regional Crops & Soils Educator







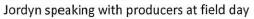
The Extension Agriculture Institute is your connection to the latest University of Wisconsin-Madison research. Our five program areas; Agriculture Water Quality, Crops and Soils, Dairy and Livestock, Farm Management, and Horticulture, are here to educate and respond to the needs of the agriculture community while providing resources that promote economic and environmental sustainability in Wisconsin. We apply research to challenges facing communities and businesses.

- A field day for forage growers, dairy producers, agency staff and agriculture consultants where participants
  learned about ongoing forage research projects, were updated on upcoming technologies, and engaged with
  Extension specialists and educators on a variety of forage focused topics. The goal of the event was to share
  relevant data, management recommendations and novel forage technologies to improve forage production on
  Wisconsin farms.
- Planning for a spreadsheet tool for dairy producers and consultants. The goal is to help producers understand
  the value of managing inventory and to be able to use the spreadsheet to account for loss and varying qualities
  of feed, and storage methods so that they can better plan and manage feed inventories. Feed is the largest
  expense on a dairy farm, accounting for about half of all input costs.
- An in-field presentation for forage producers and associated agronomy professionals where participants
  observed several different management systems for establishing alfalfa including planting alfalfa into a cereal
  rye cover crop and learned best management practices for making those systems successful. Through this
  effort, participants may consider trying new practices that could increase total forage yield in the first year, as
  well as better protect soil from erosion during a critical time.
- A demonstration for forage producers and related ag professionals where I demonstrated how to use the UW
  Alfalfa Cutting Tool and explained how it can be used to help make fall harvest decisions and plan full season
  cutting schedules. Through this activity, participants gained more exposure to the tool and will be more
  comfortable utilizing it to guide their alfalfa management for minimized risk.
- A webinar, one session part of Badger Dairy Insight, for dairy farmers and dairy industry professionals, where
  participants learned about updates to Heifer synchronization protocols to promote increased heifer pregnancy
  rates.
- A field day for farmers, crop consultants, and other supportive industries who are involved in forage production
  where participants engaged with specialists and current research trials related to carryover herbicide concerns
  when establishing alfalfa, alfalfa seeding management systems, cover crop allelopathy, weed control options for
  pastures, and the UW Alfalfa Cutting Tool for fall cutting decisions. Through this effort, participants have more
  awareness and technical knowledge of management techniques that can improve their forage yield and quality,
  as well as benefit soil health and conservation.



- A regular column that rotates between the Livestock, Crops and Soils, and Dairy educators in the Wisconsin
   Amish Shopper newspaper, which reaches Amish and Mennonite families in Wisconsin, Iowa, and Minnesota.
   This article talked about grazing dairy cattle and how to prevent heat stress while out on pasture.
- A monthly radio spot (on two different radio stations) for dairy producers, allied ag industries, and the general
  public to learn about Extension publications and resources, programming updates, and available webinars or
  workshops in the area. The intent was to reach a broader audience with timely topics and resources in order to
  positively influence on-farm economic viability, knowledge and skills, and overall impression of Extension.
- A hybrid Foundational Crop Scout training that blends a series of webinar trainings with in person field days for entry-level crop scouts, crop growers and consultants where participants learn the basic skills necessary to scout field crops including corn, soybeans and alfalfa. Through this training series, we will provide "just in time" training to crop scouts as they begin work in the busy growing season.
- A webinar, one session part of Badger Dairy Insight, for dairy farmers and dairy industry professionals, where
  participants learned about Bovine Leukemia Virus, the impact on profitability and herd health, and how to
  manage it.
- Participating in an insect trapping network to assist Department of Agriculture, Trade and Consumer Protection
  (DATCP) and the UW entomology lab monitor incoming pest populations and forecast potential damage to
  crops. Through this effort, timely notifications will be distributed to producers who will then have local
  information to help guide their pest scouting and make more timely and effective pest management decisions.
- Planning for and managing a trial evaluating different management strategies for new seeding alfalfa. The goal is to better understand how rye can be used as a companion crop for new seeding alfalfa and the impact it would have on preventing soil erosion and first year forage yield. Results will help alfalfa producers compare options and implement practices that will benefit their farm.
- A monthly radio spot for livestock producers, allied ag industries, and the general public to learn about
  Extension publications and resources, programming updates, and available webinars or workshops in the area.
  The intent was to reach a broader audience with timely topics and resources in order to positively influence onfarm economic viability, knowledge and skills, and overall impression of Extension.
- An article in the Wisconsin Agriculturist magazine about mineral delivery methods for beef herds that will
  improve animal performance and profitability.







Bucket pheromone trap containing army worms moths



# Community Development Barry Hottmann, Community Development Educator



The Extension Institute of Community Development provides educational programming to assist leaders, communities, and organizations realize their fullest potential. We work with communities to build the vitality that enhances their quality of life and enriches the lives of their residents. We educate in leadership development, organizational development, food systems, community economic development, local government education and much more. In short, the Community Development Institute plants and cultivates the seeds for thriving communities and organizations.

- Planning for programming utilizing the First Impressions framework in collaboration with the City of Columbus and the City of Dodgeville. The work will help each community develop a better understanding of what their community looks like through the lens of others, gain perspective of what other communities are doing to make their "first impression", and inspire both communities to engage in actions that will make improvements to their own communities.
- Planning for specific community development programming for towns, villages, and cities in lowa County in
  collaboration with county government, regional economic development entities, and many state partners
  (including UW Extension). The work introduces municipalities to tools, resources, and methods to help guide
  their decision making, so that their communities will have opportunities for growth and development in the
  future.
- Planning for an entrepreneurial networking event for new and existing business owners, where attendees
  connected with their entrepreneurial peers, community leaders and resources, and learned about a new
  grant program designed to support their ventures. Through this effort, entrepreneurs gained valuable
  insights, expanded their networks, and accessed critical funding opportunities, driving local innovation and
  economic development. Would you like me to refine this further or add specific details?



## Extension Iowa County June/July 2025 Report

#### Health and Well-Being Maggie Milcarek, FoodWlse Nutrition Coordinator Julia Harman, FoodWlse Nutrition Educator





The Extension Institute for Health & Well-Being works to catalyze positive change in Wisconsin communities to promote health and well-being. Our research-based programs are focused on food and nutrition security, chronic disease prevention, mental health promotion, substance use prevention, and access to health care. Rooted in both urban and rural communities, we're working together to help solve the state's most pressing well-being needs and to ensure that all Wisconsinites have the opportunity to live stronger, healthier lives.

- An outreach event held in partnership with ADRC Iowa County at the Dodgeville Senior Meal Site. FoodWlse staff offered recipes, food safety and nutrition tips and information on shopping using food assistance benefits at Farmers Markets to people receiving Senior Farmers Market Nutrition Program vouchers. The goal of this effort was to distribute and increase use of the Senior Farmers Market Nutrition Program vouchers; encourage healthy eating habits and promote the purchase of local produce at farmers markets.
- Planning for nutrition education at four food garden sites in the four-county area. Planning for nutrition
  education at LCIC Food Pantry in Livingston, Family Promise Housing in Monroe, Riverview Apartments in
  Blanchardville, and Dodgevilla apartments in Dodgeville. The goal of this effort is to provide education and
  resources about selecting, preparing, storing and preserving fresh fruit and vegetables and encourage
  people to eat produce from the food gardens.



Information materials distributed at senior meal site



## Positive Youth Development Dan Brandt, 4-H Youth Development Educator



The Extension Institute of Positive Youth Development prepares the youth of today to become the effective, empathetic adults of tomorrow. Our research-based youth enrichment programs like teens in governance build youth and adult capacity and partnerships that help both sides grow. 4-H clubs, camps and afterschool programs give young people the hands-on experiences they need to develop an understanding of themselves and the world.

- A summer 4-H camp at Upham Woods for youth in grades 3-7, where campers explored nature, developed leadership skills, and formed lasting friendships through hands-on outdoor activities. Through this program, youth-built resilience, teamwork skills, and a sense of belonging in a safe, supportive environment.
- A one-day Cloverbud Day for Iowa County youth in grades K–2, where participants explored farm-themed activities, crafts, and games. Through this experience, young learners developed fine motor skills, confidence in group settings, and a sense of belonging in the 4-H community.
- A 4-H Exploration Day for Iowa County youth, where participants engaged in hands-on learning across a variety
  of workshops. Through this event, youth gained exposure to new skills, discovered personal interests, and
  connected with peers in a positive, educational setting.
- In preparation for the 4-H Summer Camp at Upham Woods, our team collaboratively developed a
  comprehensive camp schedule and coordinated logistics to support a safe, engaging, and educational
  experience for youth participants. This planning process involved aligning activities with 4-H's positive youth
  development goals, ensuring smooth operations and meaningful learning opportunities. Our efforts contribute
  to creating a supportive environment where campers can build life skills, confidence, and lasting connections.
- A training development initiative for youth-serving staff and volunteers, where we created a unified annual training covering Mandated Reporter and Sexual Misconduct & Clery Crimes content. Through this effort, we aim to strengthen awareness, compliance, and youth safety across all programs.
- Planning & Training for 4-H Summer Camp 2025 for Counselors, Chaperones and Youth Attendees in
  collaboration with Iowa, Waupaca and Portage counties. The goal is to plan the logistics and details of summer
  camp, prepare and deliver counselor training, develop plans and policies to mitigate risk and to market camp
  registration so that we can deliver a successful, fun and educational camp experience in June with staff and
  counselors that are prepared to assist.
- Feeding Friends is a community-based organization in Dodgeville, WI, focused on addressing food insecurity by providing free meals to individuals and families in need. It operates as a volunteer-driven initiative, typically partnering with local churches, businesses, and civic organizations to prepare and serve meals.







2025 Iowa, Portage, and Waupaca Summer Camp





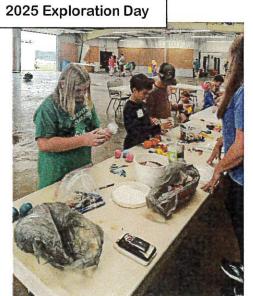


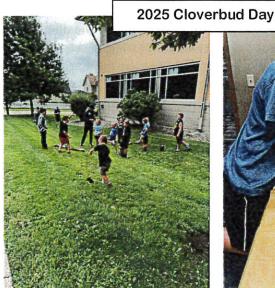














The University of Wisconsin–Madison Division of Extension provides equal opportunities in employment and programming in compliance with state and federal law.

For over 30 years UW-Madison Extension has been providing local nutrition education throughout our state that has been funded by the federal SNAP-Ed grant program. Our FoodWIse educators have been a cornerstone of Extension's mission to improve the health and well-being of Wisconsin residents. FoodWIse reaches over 133,000 people with nutrition education and community-based strategies to support healthy eating and active lifestyles – partnering with local schools, food pantries, farmers markets, and community centers to engage children, families, and seniors. Despite extensive advocacy efforts by Extension, UW-Madison's University Relations, and partners such as the Wisconsin Counties Association, the congressional budget reconciliation bill signed into law on July 4 eliminated all National Education and Obesity Prevention Grant Program (SNAP-Ed) funding effective September 30, 2025.

As one of six SNAP-Ed implementing agencies in the state, FoodWIse partners with the Wisconsin Department of Health Services to deliver SNAP-Ed programming. Extension is currently navigating the difficult process of winding down our SNAP-Ed-funded programming including a layoff notice process for more than 90 employees. We will continue FoodWIse programming through September 30, 2025. We will also be exploring all possible pathways to sustain some of the program's capacity through alternative funding sources, including leveraging our infrastructure, expertise, and remaining EFNEP funding.

FoodWIse has always been about more than just nutrition education. It's about empowering communities to thrive. We know that SNAP-Ed makes Wisconsin healthier. We are proud of the work we have done and the lives we have changed for the better. Thank you for supporting our staff, our programs, and our mission.

Extension's commitment to your community remains and we will continue to bring university resources to residents in your area across our program areas. If you have any questions, please reach out to your Area Extension Director and local Extension Nutrition Coordinator/Administrator or directly to me.

Regards,

Karl

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## IOWA COUNTY VETERANS SERVICE OFFICE 303 W. Chapel Street, Suite 1300 Dodgeville, WI 53533

### DEPARTMENT UPDATE TO HHS COMMITTE 6 Aug 2025

- 1. The summer edition of the newsletter was sent to 890 recipients. The autumn edition of the newsletter will be submitted for printing later in August.
- 2. Iowa County Healthcare Equipment Loan Program administration remains with the Veteran's Office. There have been 40 completed requests for equipment since the network incident. Past program usage information was housed on the countywide drive, which was lost to ransom ware. I am in the process of rebuilding inventory information, equipment loan documentation and other program usage information.
- 3. The Veterans Service Office has 11 VA benefit claims currently in various stages of development with the Veterans Benefit Administration. I have been reviewing claims progress as time allows, as I am compiling claim decisions for future department updates.
- 4. Requests for VA medical transportation continue to be lower than this time in past years. As an example, in 2024 there were 39 medical appointment rides provided to county veterans from January through July. There have been 23 during the same period in 2025.

Sincerely,

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#### HHS August 2025

#### **ADRC Nutrition and Transportation Update**

#### **Nutrition Update**

As of June 1, 2025, the Senior Nutrition Program has officially transitioned in-house. We are excited to welcome Mikie Davies as the Dodgeville Site Coordinator and Karen Hagen as the Linden Site Coordinator. The Arena Site Coordinator position remains open at this time, and we have transitioned the Arena location from a cooking site to a catered site. Our Nutrition Coordinator, Tom Harman, has graciously stepped in to support the site until the position is filled.

The Law Enforcement Center (LEC) is now preparing meals for all three congregate sites—Arena Manor, Hidden Valley Church in Dodgeville, and Linden Village Hall—as well as for home-delivered meal participants. Seniors have shared how much they enjoy the delicious meals from the LEC, and we are truly grateful for this valued partnership.

We are actively seeking volunteer drivers to help deliver meals to homebound seniors in Avoca, Ridgeway/Barneveld, the City of Dodgeville, and Blanchardville/Hollandale. We are also looking for substitute drivers to support all routes.

		June	e 2025	
	Arena	Dodgeville (Ridgeway & Barneveld)	Linden (Avoca, Blanchardville, Cobb, Edmund, Highland, Hollandale, & Mineral Point)	Total
Congregate	184	89	71	344
Home Delivered	155	466	684	1,305
Total	339	555	755	1,649

#### Transportation Update

The ADRC operates four transportation programs designed to help seniors remain independent in their homes by connecting them to essential resources such as groceries, medical appointments, employment, and banking.

#### Volunteer Driver Program

This program relies on dedicated volunteer drivers who provide transportation for residents to non-emergency medical appointments both within and outside Iowa County—including frequent trips to Madison. Drivers generously donate their time and use their own vehicles,

while being reimbursed at the IRS mileage rate. From January through June 2025, volunteer drivers completed 613 one-way trips, covering 21,055 miles and contributing an impressive 961 volunteer hours. We are actively recruiting additional drivers to assist with both local and out-of-county trips.

#### Senior Bus Trips

The ADRC typically hosts two bus trips per month, led by an Iowa County employee using a County-owned vehicle. These trips foster socialization and provide opportunities for seniors to visit communities within and beyond Iowa County. However, due to a driver vacancy and a decision to delay hiring until the budget could be fully assessed, no bus trips have taken place in 2025.

#### Rural Taxi Service

Operating on Tuesdays, Wednesdays, and Thursdays, the Rural Taxi helps residents access destinations anywhere in Iowa County and within five miles of its border. This is especially beneficial for residents in border communities, enabling them to shop or attend medical appointments in nearby towns like Montfort, Blanchardville, Spring Green, or Muscoda. From January through June 2025, the Rural Taxi provided 503 one-way trips. Currently, due to a driver shortage and the same budget considerations, the service is running on Tuesdays and Thursdays only.

#### City of Dodgeville Taxi Service

In partnership with the City of Dodgeville, this service typically operates on Mondays, Wednesdays, Fridays, and the second, fourth, and fifth Thursdays of the month. It offers residents transportation anywhere within city limits. Between January and June 2025, the City Taxi completed 1,592 one-way trips. Due to staffing challenges and budget planning, service has been limited to Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays so far this year.

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#### ADRC Manager's Report - August 2025

#### ADRC of Iowa County Application

Our application to become a single-county ADRC was submitted to the Office for Resource Center Development (ORCD) on June 27, 2025. While we await feedback, we continue to prepare for the transition to a standalone ADRC, known as the ADRC of Iowa County.

#### **Community Engagement and Events**

#### Senior Farmers' Market Vouchers – Available 6/1/25

These \$25 vouchers help income-eligible older adults access fresh, locally grown produce while also supporting area farmers. Distribution began June 1 at the ADRC office and has continued at various locations throughout the county. Vouchers are still available.

#### Elder Abuse Awareness Month – June and July

Our pinwheel display appeared at both the Health & Human Services Building and the Iowa County Courthouse throughout June. The 157 pinwheels symbolized the elder abuse and neglect referrals received in 2024—an increase from 119 in 2023. This visible display raised awareness of a growing concern.

Adult Protective Services (APS) received a total of 258 reports involving vulnerable adults (age 18 and older) during 2024.

In addition to the display, "Stop the Scam" presentations were held on June 27 and July 8 and July 30<sup>th</sup>.

#### Brain Health Awareness Month - June

Regional Dementia Care Specialists hosted several events throughout Iowa County—Barneveld, Dodgeville, Mineral Point, and Cobb—as well as virtual and self-paced options.

"Conversations with Dementia Care Specialists" were held at the Barneveld Public Library (7/8/25) and Cobb Public Library (7/17/25).

A new workshop, **Boost Your Brain and Memory**, will begin August 5 in Dodgeville at the Health and Human Services Building. This program focuses on lifestyle factors that support brain health and memory.

#### Scam Singo - Coming August 19

Our APS staff are teaming up with Merrimac and Main to present "Scam Singo," a fun and

educational event focused on scam prevention. Sessions will be held at 10:00 a.m. and 2:00 p.m.—participants are welcome to attend one or both.

#### Health and Wellness Expo - September 19

Mark your calendars! The annual Health and Wellness Expo will be held on Friday, September 19, from 9:00 a.m. to noon at Hidden Valley Church. Thanks to our partnership with Upland Hills Health, this event will bring together more than 35 local resources. It is designed for older adults, adults with disabilities, and their caregivers.

#### Mug Club for Caregivers

This monthly support group continues to meet on the third Tuesday from 10:30–11:30 a.m., offering a hybrid format (in-person or Zoom). Facilitated by our Caregiver Coordinator and Dementia Care Specialist, the group consistently welcomes 8–10 caregivers for education, connection, and mutual support.

#### **Advocacy Efforts**

#### **Ongoing Engagement**

ADRC Board members continue to receive updates from the Wisconsin Aging Advocacy Network and the Wisconsin Board for People with Developmental Disabilities to stay informed and engaged in statewide and federal issues.

#### Looking Ahead

As we prepare for the future of the ADRC of Iowa County, we remain focused on delivering responsive, high-quality service. Our team continues to adapt to new systems—such as Peer Place and other data tools—while refining internal processes and tracking methods. Advocacy will remain a central priority, especially as we monitor legislative and budget developments at the state level.

Respectfully submitted,

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