State Plan Guidance
Attachment B

INFORMATION REQUIREMENTS

IMPORTANT: States must provide all applicable information following each OAA citation listed below. Please note that italics indicate emphasis added to highlight specific information to include. The completed attachment must be included with your State Plan submission.

Section 305(a)(2)(E)
Describe the mechanism(s) for assuring that preference will be given to providing services to older individuals with greatest economic need and older individuals with greatest social need (with particular attention to low-income older individuals, including low-income minority older individuals, older individuals with limited English proficiency, and older individuals residing in rural areas) and include proposed methods of carrying out the preference in the State plan;

- The DCOA Grant Policy Manual—policies, procedures, standards and practices that govern grant recipients—outlines the primary target recipients.
- Grantees submit detailed monthly reports using the Comprehensive Universal Reporting Tool (CURT) that includes updates on persons served.

Section 306(a)(17)
Describe the mechanism(s) for assuring that each Area Plan will include information detailing how the Area Agency will coordinate activities and develop long-range emergency preparedness plans with local and State emergency response agencies, relief organizations, local and State governments and other institutions that have responsibility for disaster relief service delivery.

- The DCOA Grant Policy Manual requires each grantee to submit an Emergency Preparedness Plan for the organization, including shelter in place provisions.
- DCOA works with grantees that operate a facility to develop and maintain a Continuity of Operations Plan (COOP).
- DCOA is a critical stakeholder in the District of Columbia Homeland Security and Emergency Management Agency's (HSEMA) regular review and update of the District Preparedness System (DPS).

Section 307(a)(2)

DCOA develops a budget mark for services and supports to be delivered in the community. The Federal grants provided under Older Americans Act (OAA) are allocated by need, types of programs, size and impact of the program, and population. The grantees are required to submit a proposal outlining allocation of funds, targets and methods for delivering service, and other details provided in DCOA guidelines. Proposals under a competitive bid process are reviewed by an independent panel; and proposals under continuation grants are reviewed by DCOA grant monitors. Both use a structured evaluation process and tool that is submitted to the Executive Director for final approval of the grant.

Section 307(a)(3)
Does not apply to DCOA.

Section 307(a)(10)
Does not apply to DCOA.

Section 307(a)(14)
Of the estimated 113,644 seniors (age 60 and above) in the District, approximately 59.1 percent identify as African Americans. An estimated 15.6 percent of seniors are below the 100 percent federal poverty line level. Refer to Attachment J titled "POPULATION 60 YEARS AND OLDER FROM 2010 TO 2016" for greater details.

Section 307(a)(21)
There is no identified Native American tribe or reservation in the District of Columbia.

Section 307(a)(28)
DCOA did not elect to do an assessment.

Section 307(a)(29)
See response to Section 306(a)(17).

Section 307(a)(30)
DCOA is a supporting partner in the District's Preparedness Framework. The Executive Director of DCOA works with the Deputy Mayor of Health and Human Services—the primary entity on the District Recovery Steering Committee responsible for Health and Social Services Recovery Support Functions—to develop and review emergency preparedness plans in the District. District Recovery Steering Committee is part of the District of Columbia's Homeland Security and Emergency Management Agency (HSEMA) governing structure for the District Preparedness System (DPS).

Section 705(a) ELIGIBILITY --
Section 705(a)(7)
DCOA contracts with AARP's Legal Counsel for the Elderly (LCE) to provide legal and LTC ombudsman services. The DCOA Grants Manual and DCOA Service Standards set parameters and guidelines for delivering services in accordance with federal and local rules and regulations. DCOA monitors programmatic and financial operations of grantees on monthly and quarterly.