



Age-Friendly Montgomery

"I'm inviting you to enjoy our County's resources and programs."

County Executive Ike Leggett

Protect Yourself and Your Friends by Learning More About Senior Safety

There's no better way to learn about **Safe Practices and Protective Services** than by attending the **2018 Senior Safety Forum Thursday, June 14, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.** It takes place at the Holiday Park Senior Center located at 3950 Ferrara Drive in Silver Spring. This is the perfect opportunity to learn more about what is available through County government and other businesses and organizations in Montgomery County that can improve the quality of life for seniors.

Enjoy and learn from exhibits and presentations on: resources for seniors, understanding technology, senior driving safety, personal and financial safety. Attendees will also enjoy live musical entertainment, door prizes and free box lunches.

The Senior Safety Forum is coordinated by The Montgomery County Elder/Vulnerable Adult Abuse Task Force (EVAATF). EVAATF members have combined their areas of expertise to help prevent and raise public awareness of elder abuse, support legislative efforts to establish stronger and better laws, and aggressively investigate and prosecute those who commit elder abuse.

The EVAATF member agencies include: The Montgomery County State's Attorney's Office, Montgomery County Department of Police, the County's

Department of Health and Human Services, the Montgomery County Fire & Rescue Service, and Office of the County Attorney.

Protect Yourself and Your Friends by Knowing these Red Flag Warning Signs and Who to Call for Help.

Neglect:

A decline in basic hygiene, not enough food, unclean or inappropriate clothing, house is cluttered or needs repairs

Financial Exploitation:

Victim gives uncharacteristically excessive financial reimbursement/gifts for care and companionship, unusual bank activity, or general change in spending habits

Physical/Sexual Abuse:

Insufficiently explained burns, cuts, wounds, black-and-blue marks, injuries, or unexplained sexually transmitted diseases

Here's How to Help:

If you have a concern about any of these types of abuse, contact: Adult Protective Services at **240-777-3000** or the County Crisis Center at **240-777-4000**. You do not need to prove that abuse is occurring. Let the professionals investigate your suspicions. If the situation poses immediate danger or is life-threatening, don't hesitate to call **9-1-1**.

Contact Us Today

- **Aging & Disability Resource Line 240-777-3000**
- **3-1-1 or 240-777-0311 for County programs and services; 9-1-1 for emergency**
- **www.montgomerycountymd.gov/senior**
- **"Seniors Today" airs on Sundays, Tuesdays and Thursdays at 6:00 p.m. on Comcast/RCN 6, Verizon 30**