

# **Membership Directory – 2023**

## **Senior Citizens' Services Coordinating Council**

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### **Meeting Information**

Meetings are held on the 3rd Thursday of the month from 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. Normally, the meeting location changes each month and are usually held at a member's Senior Living Community or Agency located in Western Cook and Eastern DuPage counties. Lunch is provided.

\*\*\*Because of the pandemic, our monthly meetings are either on Zoom or live.\*\*\*

**Guests are welcome.**

## **SCSSC Members**

### **Aging with Care**

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They assist individuals and families with concerns of health, housing, the best quality of life and ensuring that wishes regarding end of life are known, documented and followed. The goal of Aging with Care is to allow people to maintain their self-esteem and independence while aging and dying, while serving as a liaison between healthcare providers to ensure continuity of care.

### **Ashland Vine Senior Home Care**

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### **Assisting Hands Homecare**

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Assisting Hands is a non-medical homecare company based in Downers Grove. They provide ADL support as well as companionship for elderly clients and Veterans who wish to remain at home.

**Belmont Village of Oak Park**

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Home care for all ages, 24/7 care and customer service. They have non-medical personal care as well as skilled care and medical staffing.

**Caledonia Senior Living and Memory Care**

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Care Patrol is a FREE service that helps seniors, and their families navigate the senior living process by helping them find assisted living, memory care and in-home care options.

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Circle of Life Consulting, Inc. partners with organizations to achieve the best possible result when considering the opportunities and challenges of creating and providing various products, programs, and services related to aging. We do this by partnering with the organization to ensure they have effective and well-utilized products, solutions, services, and processes to achieve their goals. We

also work with individuals and provide gerontological guidance and expertise to navigate aging. We offer gerontological care management and independent trustee services.

**Comfort Keepers In-Home Care**

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Elmhurst, IL 60126  
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**Entera Healthcare**

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Entera Healthcare provides medical/clinical home, hospice, and gentle massage in the home. Our caregivers provide PT/OT/Speech/Wound/Nursing wherever the patient lives. New Perspective Program includes behavior and pain solutions for seniors with insurance.

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**Kopicki Family Funeral Homes and Crematory LTD.**

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Assesses client for care needs and assists client/family with services and/or equipment for in home services or help transition to senior facilities. Oversee care being provided and assess for any changes/needs in plan of care. Does Medicare appeals. Presentations on many topics.

**Oasis Senior Advisors**

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Oasis Senior Advisor is a no cost service to help older adults find safer living options. I am a placement specialist that is HIPPA compliant. I tour with my client and make sure to ask the questions they don't know to ask.

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They are the Aging & Disability Resource Center in Oak Park & River Forest. They offer resources/services to older adults & their caregivers. Services include Congregate & Homebound Meals, Transportation, Care Coordination, Adult Protective Services, Caregiver Resources, Money Management, SHIP Counseling, Behavioral Health, taxi coupons, utility & public benefit assistance, and medical equipment.

**One Trust Home Loans**

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Using her creative muse and her mother's inspiration to craft beautiful jewelry that she sells at local craft fairs. Pat also represents the Celebrating Seniors Coalition as the Treasurer and Resource Guide Coordinator for the annual event and activity to honor a new class of Seniors over 60 and present educational, fun and inspirational events for our communities.

### **River Forest Township**

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River Forest Township manages and funds vital human services in the areas of seniors, youth, mental health, developmental disabilities, substance prevention and financial assistance. RFT also provides assessor services to property tax-payers. Betsy is in the process of setting up a home-sharing program.

**ROZ Real Estate**

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Roz Byrne is a Realtor who specialized for over 15 years at RE/MAX in helping seniors sell their homes. Her new company, ROZ Real Estate, matches buyers and sellers of real estate with the best Realtor for them based on the property's location, value and type. Whether in Chicagoland or across the country, ROZ Real Estate helps you pick the right Realtor. Services are complementary to clients.

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**Senior Living Experts**

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**Senior Solutions**

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Senior Solutions specializes in providing personalized senior living placement and in-home care consultation services. Their experts can help you understand your options and provide you the best possible choices for senior living for your circumstances and their services are free.

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Special Needs Chicago provides wheelchair accessible transportation for people with mobility and cognitive challenges throughout the Chicago metropolitan area.

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At The Sheridan at River Forest, they help their residents create fulfilling lifestyles by promoting a culture of health, wellness, and connection. Their community is unique with its own set of diverse seniors, supported by their friendly and compassionate staff. They provide personalized care plans, innovative programming, convenient amenities and more for their residents.

### **Touching Hearts at Home**

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Wisdom Eldercare has been a trusted provider of outstanding home care for older adults and their families in the Chicagoland area since 1985.

Independently owned and based in Elmhurst, Wisdom's mission is to ensure their clients are able to remain safe at home, getting reliable, consistent and professional caregivers and geriatric care management support that promotes dignity and happiness.

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