

# **Membership Directory – 2022**

## **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.

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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 who wish to remain at home but need some help.

**Belmont Village of Oak Park**

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Belmont Village Senior Living Oak Park is home to decades of experience, millions of memories and several lifetimes of learning. Their beautiful mid-rise community is nestled in the attractive residential area of Oak Park, surrounded by premier dining, shopping and entertainment. They're just minutes from Rush Oak Park Hospital and nearby numerous places of worship.

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Brookdale Oak Park has been the area's premier Independent and Assisted Living community for over 28 years. Nested in the heart of downtown Oak Park, Brookdale provides the support residents need to remain as independent as possible in a location accessible to all the village has to offer.

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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.

**Comfort Keepers In-Home Care**

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Elmhurst, IL 60126

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Comfort Keepers has been elevating the lives of adults and seniors for more than 20 years. They offer companionship and personal care to aid their clients, helping them to achieve and live at their best quality of life. Every person has an inner spark. At Comfort Keepers, they go beyond daily care needs to nurture those unique qualities and bring about a sense of hope and joy.

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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 taxpayers.

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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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Ruggiero Law Group provides legal services for seniors in the following practice areas: Estate planning (wills & trusts,) power of attorney, elder law, real estates, review of insurance policies, retirement planning and business law. For a FREE consultation, please contact Richard M. Ruggiero at the number listed above.

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They offer a free service helping seniors and their families in finding senior living and home care options in the Chicagoland area. Independent Living, Assisted Living, Memory Care and Supportive Living. They help navigate a very overwhelming process and provide other senior resources as well.

## **Senior Services of Oak Park and River Forest Townships**

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