

## SouthEastern Arizona Governments Organization Area Agency on Aging, Region VI

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## PUBLIC HEARING SCHEDULED ON AREA PLAN ON AGING

The SEAGO Area Agency on Aging is in the process of developing a four-year Area Plan on Aging for fiscal years 2023-2027. The new Area Plan will go into effect on **July 1, 2023.** The Area Plan serves as the planning document which identifies priority needs, goals, objectives, funding and advocacy efforts that will be undertaken by the Region VI Area Agency on Aging and our provider network in developing, implementing, and building collaborations and programs for seniors in Cochise, Graham, Greenlee, and Santa Cruz Counties for the next four years. The Area Plan describes the manner in which the Area Agency on Aging plans to utilize state and federal funds, and how it will carry out its administrative duties. The Area Plan is viewed as "the blueprint for action" which represents a commitment by the Area Agency on Aging that it will fulfill its role as the planner/catalyst/advocate on behalf of older persons in Region VI as required under the Older Americans Act.

A public hearing has been scheduled for Graham and Greenlee:

Thursday March 9, 2023 10:00 A.M

104 4th St, Clifton Senior Center, Clifton AZ 85533 and

Thursday March 9, 2023 1:00 P.M

921 Thatcher Blvd, Graham County General Services, Safford AZ 85546

The SEAGO Area Agency on Aging Administration, Board of Directors and Advisory Council realizes that the economic decline and system changes occurring daily on national, state, and local levels will have a serious impact on the current service delivery system and funding for senior programs. Therefore we request that seniors, service providers, families, caregivers, and all interested in senior issues attend and provide input to make the plan a comprehensive one that addresses real needs.

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