

What is TRIAD?

TRIAD is a community policing initiative connecting seniors, law enforcement and services providers to increase safety through education and crime prevention.

Its goals are:

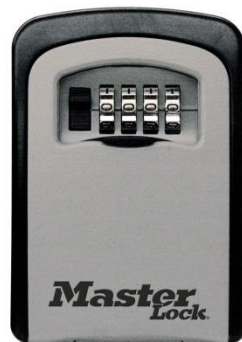
1. To reduce criminal activity which targets older adults;
2. To alleviate older adults' fear of victimization, build confidence and improve their quality of life;
3. To enhance delivery of law enforcement services to older adults.

The S.A.L.T. Council

(Seniors and Law Enforcement Together)

TRIAD on the community level is implemented by a S.A.L.T. Council, which may be composed of the following:

- Older adults
- Police, District Attorney, Sheriff
- Council on Aging personnel
- Protective service personnel
- Representatives from other community or civic groups



What Can TRIAD Do

Empower – provide older adults with leadership roles;

Educate – provide crime prevention and safety programs for community members;

Reach out – reduce fear and increase peace of mind for older adults who live alone through regular home visits and programs that improve the quality of life for all

Forge links – between the older adult community, law enforcement and services providers. Provide a forum to discuss crime related needs and concerns of older adults

What Can Result?

Older adults benefit from regular contact with their local police officers, direct involvement with crime prevention strategies and implementation of those initiatives.

Law enforcement gains a better understanding of older adults crime-related fears, issues that older adults face as they age in place within the community and the knowledge and broad range of experience that older adults have.

TRIAD Initiatives

- House Numbering
- Community Shred Events
- Safe Entry Program/lock boxes
- Distribution of File of Life
- Sand for Seniors
- Medical Equipment Lending Program
- Drug Take Back
- Health and Safety Fairs
- Community Safety Days
- Emergency Preparedness Booklets and Grab and Go bags
- Educational Programs on topics that include; scams, fire safety, in-home safety, safe driving, prescription medication abuse, obtaining a credit report, elder abuse and many other topics

A 'FILE OF LIFE' form. The title 'FILE OF LIFE' is in large, bold, red letters at the top. Below it, in smaller black text, it says 'KEEP INFORMATION UP TO DATE !! Review At Least Every Six Months !'. The form is divided into sections for 'MEDICAL DATA REVIEWED AS OF' (with fields for MO, YR, and SEX) and 'EMERGENCY CONTACTS' (with fields for Name, Address, and Phone # for two different people).

Support for local S.A.L.T. Councils

The District Attorney's Office, Sheriff's Department and local police and fire departments provide liaisons to each S.A.L.T. Council and attend their monthly meetings. Through cooperation, local TRIAD/S.A.L.T. Councils are able to collaborate on programs and initiatives that have a direct impact on the quality of life for older adults residing in the community. By working together, sharing resources and ideas, these TRIAD initiatives are able to be implemented by the S.A.L.T. Council.

For more information on TRIAD and forming a S.A.L.T. Council in your community, contact one of the following:

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Drug Take Back Day, Northampton



2018 TRIAD Summer Picnic, Gill



Sand For Seniors Distribution, Easthampton



A COMMUNITY POLICING INITIATIVE TO INCREASE SAFETY FOR OLDER ADULTS

A COOPERATIVE EFFORT BETWEEN:

**PATRICK CAHILLANE
HAMPSHIRE SHERIFF**

**CHRISTOPHER J. DONELAN
FRANKLIN SHERIFF**

**DAVID E. SULLIVAN
NORTHWESTERN DISTRICT ATTORNEY**

YOUR LOCAL POLICE AND FIRE CHIEFS

**OLDER ADULTS, COUNCILS ON AGING,
SERVICE PROVIDERS, AND PROTECTIVE
SERVICES OF HAMPSHIRE AND FRANKLIN
COUNTIES**