

How TRIAD works

TRIAD is a community led public safety concept, which was developed to ensure that the needs of older adults are addressed in their community.

Each community establishes it's own independent S.A.L.T. Council (Seniors and Law enforcement Together).

S.A.L.T. Councils lead the TRIAD initiative in their town.

The S.A.L.T. Council is led by older adults who are active in their community. They work together to determine the needs and concerns of their fellow community members.

S.A.L.T.'s mission is to direct the **TRIAD**, which is a roundtable that brings public safety awareness & information to older adults through presentations and activities.

S.A.L.T Members include:

3 active older adults, representatives from the police and fire departments, the district attorney's office, the sheriff's department, community groups, and other agencies that are interested in helping older adults.



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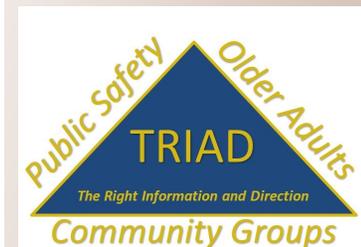


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Why TRIAD?

How did TRIAD Start?

TRIAD is a nationally recognized program in which Public Safety, Older Adults and Community Groups all work together to unify and implement the services that are currently available to older adults in each community.

The **TRIAD** partnership consists of the District Attorney, the Sheriff, the local Police Chief, the local Fire Chief, the Council on Aging Director, S.A.L.T. Council Members, and Community Groups that assist older adults in each community.

The role of the District Attorney and Sheriff is one of guidance and support. Every community that adopts the **TRIAD** approach is able to tailor the needs of **TRIAD** to their seniors.



Older adults comprise the most rapidly growing segment of our population. One in eight people are already 65 or older. This statistic represents more than 33.6 million older adults. With increased life expectancy, new issues for the criminal justice system have arisen.

TRIAD has been developed to reduce the criminal victimization of our older adults and to enhance the delivery of resources and awareness to our older population.

TRIAD assesses the needs of each community separately.

A community that may have a serious crime problem can utilize their **TRIAD** to focus on crime prevention and victim assistance.

A community that does not have a serious crime problem can utilize **TRIAD** to concentrate on programs, activities and public safety initiatives to benefit their entire community.

In 1998, the American Association of Retired Persons (AARP), the International Association of the Chiefs of Police (IACP), and the National Sheriffs' Association (NSA) signed a cooperative agreement to work together to reduce the criminal victimization and unwarranted fear of crime, and to enhance the delivery of law enforcement services to our older adults.

The Plymouth County District Attorney's Office and the Plymouth County Sheriff's Department recognized that more could be done for the older adult residents of Plymouth County.

A cooperative effort began between both departments to work together to bring TRIAD services to older adults in every city and town in Plymouth County.

