



PROGRAM/SERVICES DESCRIPTIONS

Tech Services Classes (Hybrid)

SoFIA Tech Services Programs are designed for older adults to strengthen their social and economic well-being through teaching basic to intermediate computer skills that they can use in their everyday lives. We offer a Hybrid model. Our Virtual classes are held via Zoom and generally have 6-8 participants. Our In-Person classes serve approximately 8-15 participants. Our classes include a mix of a brief lecture, discussion, modeling of new skills, and review. Course books are provided and guides our participants through: computer terminology, internet searches, online safety, G-mail, Google Maps, etc. The Need: We are currently seeking volunteer instructors for both in-person and virtual classes List of available courses. Our Windows 10 Basics class is in high demand right now but we are seeking volunteers for all classes.

We will work with our volunteers based on their availability to schedule classes.

- Facebook – 6 weeks – x1 per week – 90 minutes
- Get Connected (Android Tablet) – 3 weeks – x2 per week – 75 minutes
- Get Connected (Android Tablet) –(Spanish) – 3 weeks – x2 per week – 75 minutes
- IPAD – 5 weeks – x2 per week – 75 minutes
- iPhone – 4 weeks – x2 per week – 90 minutes
- Windows 10 Basics - 6 weeks – x2 per week – 75 minutes (in-person)
- Windows 10 Intermediate – 6 weeks – 2x per week – 75 minutes (in-person)

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Tech Talks (Virtual)

Tech Talks are our one-hour webinar series on zoom, and supported by AARP, FPL and other noted sponsors. Tech Talks utilizes older adult volunteers and tech industry experts to provide training and resources to other older adults across South Florida. Topics include: Social Media 101, Cybersecurity, cost savings techniques that will help with your internet and cable bill, online banking/bill pay, tele-health and more.

Tech Talks are held monthly on the first Tuesday of every month with exceptions due to holidays or agency events. Tech Classes are offered M-F twice weekly in-person or virtually.

Classes are offered by semesters:

- Fall: September - November;
- Winter: December-February;
- Spring: March - May and,
- Summer: June-August.

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Below are the current scheduled dates.

- November 9, 2021 (November 2 is Election day)
- December 7, 2021
- January 4, 2022
- February 1, 2022
- March 1, 2022
- April 5, 2022
- May 3, 2022
- June 15, 2022 Annual Aging Symposium



Coffee Chats (Virtual)

These are monthly informal chats on FB Live to discuss community resources and hot topics in the aging space. The Chats are 45 minutes long with 30 minutes dedicated to discussion with community partners and 15 minutes for Q&A. *(This may be of great interest if you have a Speakers Bureau).

Foster Grandparent (In-Person)

Foster Grandparent volunteers providing tutoring and meeting to children with exceptional & special needs through Broward County public schools and childcare centers. Volunteers serve students one on one in the classroom to increase students' academic engagement and increase their social and emotional skills.

SoFIA Care Programs (In-Person)

Volunteers will provide supportive person-to-person and virtual services to assist frail, elderly, and disabled adults in order for them to maintain independence through our Senior Companion, RELIEF, Legacy Corps and Friendly Visitor (specific to LGBTQ+ older adults) program.

Fellows Program (Virtual)

SoFIA Fellows Program, an 8-week robust instructional program, where participants learn the fundamentals of nonprofit and for-profit organizations, unique leadership approaches and revitalized workforce skills. After successful completion of the classroom program, students earn certification and are placed in an 8-week internship with community partners to utilize their new skills and contribute to the advancement of the organization's mission. The goal of this program to increase workforce skills for retirees seeking to reenter the workforce and to increase their financial stability.

The Need: We are currently seeking volunteer instructors (i.e. retired or current teachers, etc.) for virtual classes