

Area gets senior citizen job funds

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Six new positions for senior citizens will be created at Audubon Area Community Services through the receipt of \$60,181 in federal stimulus money, according to a press release from Gov. Steve Beshear's office.

The money is part of \$451,164 received through the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act for the Kentucky Senior Community Service Employment Program, which provides training and part-time employment opportunities to low-income people 55 and older. That money is expected to create 47 jobs across the state.



Participants will work an average of 20 hours a week in a variety of community service activities at non-profit and public facilities, such as day-care centers, senior centers, schools and hospitals. The intent of the community service experience is to serve as a bridge to other employment positions that are not supported with federal funds.

More information about the program can be obtained by calling Juanita Shackelford in the state Department for Aging and Independent Living at (502) 564-6930, ext. 4055.