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QUOTES FROM MARY

“Use your voice for kindness, your ears for compassion, your hands for charity, your mind for truth, and your Heart for Love!”
#TEAMVAGALHASABIGHEART

“You never know how STRONG you are, until being STRONG is your only choice.” #TEAMVAGALSTRONG!

“Success is not final, failure is not fatal: it is the COURAGE TO CONTINUE that counts.”
#TEAMVAGALISCOURAGEOUS

“You can’t go back and change the beginning, but you can start where you are and change the ending.”
#TEAMVAGALMAKINGCHANGE



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ON AGING**

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Volunteer Training Webinar March 2021!

VAGAL SC is excited to announce our second Volunteer Training Zoom Webinar. The new training webinar will be presented in two parts.

- **Part 1** Friday, March 12, 2021, 10:00 am – 1:00 pm
- **Part 2** will be determined by the county or counties volunteers would like to serve.

Blue Ridge and Piedmont Regions

Wednesday, March 17, 2021 (10:00 am – 12:00 pm)

Midlands, Pee Dee, and Low Country Regions

Friday, March 19, 2021 (10:00 am – 12:00 pm)

The **deadline** for applying to the webinar is **Monday, March 4, 2021**. Please help us get the word out to potential volunteers, who may apply online. A link to the application can be found at aging.sc.gov/vagal.

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January, 2021 Training Webinar Update

We are pleased to say January’s Training Webinar was a great success! The ten stellar volunteer participants represented counties statewide. They are now well into the next steps required before taking their first case. Kudos to VAGAL SC’s great Regional Coordinators for their volunteer leadership.



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Partnering with USC's College of Social Work

The SC Department on Aging and VAGAL SC are partnering with the University of South Carolina's College of Social Work. VAGAL SC responded to an invitation from the College of Social Work to submit a proposal for the Spring 2021 Master's Level Social Work Practice with their Organizations and Communities course, which is a required foundation course.

VAGAL SC is fortunate that the College of Social Work accepted two proposals. The students will be working with the VAGAL Fund Committee, as well as the VAGAL Marketing and Public Relations Committee.

The VAGAL Fund

The purpose of the VAGAL Fund is to establish a means of providing necessary items and time-limited services in order to ensure the wellbeing and dignity of vulnerable adults served by the VAGAL Program. The students will work with the VAGAL Fund Committee to identify a fundraising strategy in addition to creating other means of raising awareness of the VAGAL Fund.

VAGAL Marketing and Public Relations Committee

The mission of the Marketing and Public Relations Committee is to bring community awareness about the VAGAL SC program to increase volunteer recruitment. Working with the VAGAL PR Committee, the USC class will make lists of media outlets, television stations, newspaper publications, and radio stations where VAGAL can send press releases and upcoming training information. The USC class will also assist us in developing a VAGAL production video about our program.

STAY TUNED.....

There is more to come! VAGAL SC's next edition of *The VAGAL Advocate* will feature the Blue Ridge and Piedmont Regions!

**THANK YOU FOR THE INCREDIBLE WORK YOU DO AS ADVOCATES
FOR SOUTH CAROLINA'S VULNERABLE ADULTS!**