



## Community Grant Outcome Report

**Name:** Strengthening Family Caregivers Through Statewide Coalition

**Grantee:** AARP Wisconsin

**Academic Partner:** n/a

**Program:** Development

**Grant Duration:** 12/01/2004 to 11/30/2005 (12 months)

**Expenditures:** \$24,970 of \$25,000 (100% expended)

**Use of Funds:** Strengthen infrastructure

► **Description:** Educate family care givers to manage multiple care-giving roles and responsibilities while maintaining their own health and well being.

► **Results:** During 12 listening sessions in the spring and summer of 2005, the project gathered crucial data from educators, social workers, health-care providers and others on how the Wisconsin Alliance for Family Caregiving can fill statewide gaps in education, resources and support for family caregivers. The project developed recommendations that, put into practice, will boost the overall health and well-being of family caregivers in Wisconsin. Specifically, the project worked to provide educational resources, networking and training for caregiving professionals; developed a strategic plan to fill existing gaps in caregiving education, resources and support; and worked with key stakeholders and partners to build a central storehouse of knowledge where Wisconsin's family caregiving professionals can learn about national, state and local caregiving education, best regional and local practices; and caregiving survey and assessment tools. The project also completed and submitted an application to secure 501C-3 nonprofit status for the Wisconsin Alliance for Family Caregiving.

► **Met Objectives:** Partially met

► **Baseline Progress on SHP Objectives:** Not measured

► **Academic Partner Role:** No academic partner

► **Matched Dollars (cash or in-kind):** \$16,200

► **Dissemination:** The listening session report was distributed to board members, listening session participants and the BadgerAging Listserve, and was posted on the Alliance's newly designed web site.

► **Sustained:** Secured funding from AARP, Area Agency on Aging, and Met Life totaling \$60,000. Integrated into UW Extension.