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## New Storytelling Tool Gives Clients a Voice



November 7 Storytelling Workshop

Telling our clients' stories is a powerful form of advocacy. Enabling clients to tell their own stories is even more powerful. AgeOptions has initiated a way to collect those stories on an ongoing basis by joining [StoryCorps](#), a platform to collect and share stories.

The StoryCorps technology makes it possible to collect clients' audio recordings and make their voices

heard by legislators and others, bringing to light issues that affect the wellbeing of those we serve.

Last fall we created a toolkit with tips for telling good stories, framing the messages and sharing stories. At a November workshop participants learned about the power of storytelling, engaging clients and preparing, recording and publishing stories.

We have created a StoryCorps community page to collect and share stories from the suburban Cook County aging network. There are two ways to request to join and be approved to add stories to the community.

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