

NAPA/SOLANO AREA AGENCY ON AGING



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Advisory Council on Aging

AGENDA

**ACOA Advisory Council Virtual Meeting
April 6, 2021 - 10:00 AM Pacific Time**

Join Zoom Meeting:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85921418390>

Meeting ID: 859 2141 8390

Call In Number: 669-900-9128

NAPA/SOLANO AREA AGENCY ON AGING MEETING PROTOCOL IN RESPONSE TO CORONAVIRUS COVID 19

California Governor Gavin Newsom issued Executive Order N-25-20 on March 12, 2020, relating to the convening of public meetings in light of the COVID-19 pandemic. The Napa/Solano Area Agency on Aging hereby provides notice that it will continue to convene its regularly scheduled public meetings of the Oversight Board and the Advisory Council telephonically, as provided in the publicly posted agenda notice, and until further notice. Pursuant to the Executive Order, and to maintain the orderly conduct of the meeting, the Napa/Solano Area Agency on Aging will allow Board members and Council members to attend the meetings telephonically and to participate in the meetings to the same extent as if they were present.

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Elaine Clark
Napa/Solano Area Agency on Aging
275 Beck Avenue
Fairfield, CA 94533

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CALL TO ORER – 10:00 a.m.

10:00-10:45: COUNCIL BUSINESS

ROLL CALL

COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC

This is your opportunity to address the Advisory Council on a matter not listed on the Agenda, but it must be within the subject matter jurisdiction of the ACOA. Please limit your comments to three minutes. Items from the public will be taken under consideration without discussion by the Advisory Council and may be referred to staff.

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

APPROVAL OF THE MARCH 3, 2021 MINUTES

OFFICER NOMINATIONS – Dane Reeves

- Ad Hoc Officer Nomination Committee presents their slate.
- Call for additional nominees from the floor.
- Next Steps: The Council will vote at the May Meeting, Terms begin July 1st.

AD HOC MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE – Richard White. See the Committee's written Action Items Report.

- Recommended Candidates to fill two Solano seats with 2-year terms 5/1/21 – 4/30/23:
 - Presentation of two Candidates
 - **ACTION ITEM #1:** ACOA approve Mina Diaz as a Solano County representative to the ACOA.
 - **ACTION ITEM #2:** ACOA approve Jerry Castanon Diaz as a Solano County representative to the ACOA.
 - Next Steps: Elaine Clark will seek BOS approval. Candidates are invited to the May Meeting.
- Reappointments:
 - **ACTION ITEM #3:** Re-appoint Verneal Brumfield to a second 2-year ACOA term representing Solano County, expiring 4/30/23.
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 - **ACTION ITEM #5:** Re-appoint Arnold Koenig to a second 2-year ACOA term representing Napa County, expiring on 4/30/23.
- Members leaving Council in April:
 - **ACTION ITEM #6:** ACOA express formal appreciation to departing members Deanna DuPont, Fran Rosenberg, Robert Padilla, and Brenda Burke.

10:45-12:00 - FOUR YEAR AREA PLAN UPDATE: Elaine Clark

ADJOURN – 12:00 p.m.

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DRAFT MINUTES

March 2, 2021

CALL TO ORDER: 10:00 a.m.

PRESENT: Elaine Clark, Program Staff; Richard White, Chair; Dane Reeves, Vice Chair; Susan Ensey, Secretary; Donna Altes; Verneal Brumfield; Deanna DuPont, Donna Harris; Cheryl Johnson; Arnold Koenig; Robert Padilla; Tony Provine; Fran Rosenberg; Julie Spencer. Excused: Brenda Crawford. Absent: Brenda Burke.

Guests: Dannita Coleman, applicant for Council Member; Gwendolyn Gill, Acting Director Napa / Solano AAA.

COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC: None

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA: Tony Provine added an **ACTION ITEM** to approve Council endorsement of SB258.

Motion to Approve the revised Agenda by Fran Rosenberg; Seconded by Robert Padilla; Motion Approved.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES: Motion to Approve by Fran Rosenberg; Seconded by Deanna DuPont; Approved.

REPORTS:

AD HOC OFFICER NOMINATION COMMITTEE: Robert Padilla nominated Donna Harris to be the third member to serve along with Donna Altes and Dane Reeves. Donna accepted the nomination.

ACTION ITEM: Motion to Approve by Fran Rosenberg; Seconded by Deanna DuPont; Approved.

AD HOC MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE: Interviews are taking place, with Richard White, Cheryl Johnson and Susan Ensey making-up the Committee. A special Council Meeting may be called before the April Meeting to review recommendations.

Membership Terms and Dates for all Council Members: Richard White read the names, term durations, and dates of expiration for each Member.

ACTION ITEM: Motion by Donna Altes to Approve the terms and dates for Council Members; Seconded by Deanna DuPont; Approved. See list and details on page 3 of Minutes.

AD HOC BY LAWS COMMITTEE:

ACTION ITEM: Motion to create Ad Hoc Committee to review Advisory Council By Laws by Susan Ensey; Seconded by Verneal Brumfield; Approved. Members to let Elaine Clark know if interested in serving on the Committee.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE: See written report.

CURRENT PROJECTS:

- **NEWSLETTER:** Cheryl Johnson announced the winning name: *AgeWell*. The Newsletter will begin as a quarterly publication and may move to monthly in the future. The content will come from AAA, Providers, including a Provider-of-the-month, and Clients. The content is intended to be informative, challenging and fun with articles, calendar information, and games. Donna Altes described the need for getting contacts, including the clients of our Providers. Elaine Clark is working on a simple survey with Providers. Cheryl explained that once anyone clicks on the Newsletter, their information is captured. Fran Rosenberg mentioned the Community Action Team's program for gathering information.
- **PROGRAM THEMES CALENDAR** – Donna Harris, Julie Spencer, Donna Altes and Cheryl Johnson are working together to activate the calendar and blend content into the Newsletter. Members discussed and offered ideas and suggestions.

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CURRENT PROJECTS - Continued

- **ADOPT-A-PROVIDER** – The group discussed pros and cons for scheduling special meetings for presentations from Providers. Preferences were expressed for short presentations within the regular monthly Meetings.
 - **ELDER JUSTICE** – Richard White spoke with Nicolle Howell, Ombudsman Services in Solano County, regarding helping with Elder Justice Awareness month recognition activities for Napa.
 - **ADVOCACY:** Tony Provine reviewed Bills being tracked:
 - SB258: Will expand the list of people of non-economic needs to those living with HIV. Bill is moving fast, with hearing on March 9.
ACTION ITEM: Motion to Approve Council endorsement of SB258 by Tony Provine; Seconded by Dane Reeves; Approved.
 - AB98: Will establish a 3-year pilot program in Contra Costa, Napa and Solano Counties to facilitate the reuse and redistribution of durable medical equipment and home health supplies. Initiated by Yvonne Baginski.
 - SB515: Is in the formative stage and will address long term care services and support for seniors. Hearing is on March 9. Cheryl Johnson added that this Bill, plus SB48 and AB911 are backed by the Alzheimer's Association.
- Vitals App:** Richard White is waiting to hear from Kris Concepcion, Vacaville Fire Chief who planned to present the App to other Chiefs. Richard was asked by a contact in Yolo County for help with a business plan for the App.

STAFF REPORT: See Elaine Clark's written report.

- The update on The Area Plan will be presented by Elaine in our April Meeting.
- Verneal Brumfield asked what happened to the Google Internet Devices. Elaine sent the devices to Innovative Health Solutions. They will develop a role-out plan which will include how they will determine who receives the devices.
- Richard White referred to the population demographic spreadsheet which was included in Elaine's Report. The group discussed and questioned the relevance of percentage differences of older adults in Napa as compared to Solano County. The need for accurate numbers was discussed as well as limitations of Providers for gathering exact numbers.

OLD BUSINESS:

- Richard White will follow-up on the 5-year process for Age Friendly Communities which the Governor is about to sign.

NEW BUSINESS:

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

- Donna Altes recommended and shared information on Snug Safety, a free daily check-in App for people who live alone.
- Elaine Clark reported that the Solano County BOS accepted a report by a research team that dissolves and no longer funds staff and administrative support for the Senior Coalition after June 30th. The report concludes that the Senior Coalition no longer fits the criteria to advise the BOS. There is the option to regroup and Elaine's hope is that they will be absorbed by the Area Agency on Aging.

ADJOURNED 12:02 Motion to Adjourn by Donna Altes; Seconded by Fran Rosenberg; Approved.

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ADVISORY COUNCIL ON AGING ASSIGNMENTS

<u>SOLANO</u>	<u>Term Expires</u>	<u>NAPA</u>	<u>Term Expires</u>
Verneal Brumfield	2-year term Exp. 4/30/21	Donna Altes	4-year term Exp. 4/30/23
Brenda Crawford	4-year term Exp. 4/30/23	Brenda Burke	2-year term Exp. 4/30/21
Deanna DuPont	2-year term Exp. 4/30/21	Susan Ensey	4-year term Exp. 4/30/23
Donna Harris	2-year term Exp. 4/30/21	Arnold Koenig	2-year term Exp. 4/30/21
Cheryl Johnson	4-year term Exp. 4/30/23	Dane Reeves	4-year term Exp. 4/30/23
Robert Padilla	2-year term Exp. 4/30/21	Fran Rosenberg	2-year term Exp. 4/30/21
Tony Provine	4-year term Exp. 4/30/23	Julie Spencer	4-year term Exp. 4/30/23
Richard White	4-year term Exp. 4/30/23	Vacant	2-year term Exp. 4/30/21

ACTION ITEMS FROM AD HOC MEMBERSHIP TEAM TO ACOA

Introduction

The ad hoc membership team was formed immediately after the ACOA's March meeting; its members are Richard White, Susan Ensey, and Cheryl Johnson. The team was tasked with selecting candidates for upcoming council openings in both counties. Six applications were received from Solano County residents for two upcoming positions; unfortunately, none from Napa have been submitted to replace up to three open seats.

A second charge to the team was to identify and recommend a second 2-year term for those council members whose current terms expire April 30, 2021. Council members whose terms expire 4/30/21 are:

- Verneal Brumfield Solano
- Robert Padilla Solano
- Deanna DuPont Solano
- Donna Harris Solano
- Brenda Burke Napa
- Fran Rosenburg Napa
- Arnold Koenig Napa

Verneal, Donna, and Arnold have stated their intention to continue as council members for a second 2-year term, expiring April 30, 2023.

Solano County

The team remotely interviewed each of the six candidates in 30-minute segments, followed by a series of internal evaluations. The ACOA Project Manager did not attend any of the six interviews.

Two applicants emerged as the best candidates for the two open seats: Mina Diaz and Jerry Castanon.

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ACOA Re-Appointments

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EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE AGENDA April 6, 2021 – 12:00–12:30 – Zoom Meeting

CALL TO ORDER 12:00

ROLL CALL

APPROVAL OF AGENDA AND MINUTES FROM FEBRUARY 2, 2021

DISCUSSION TOPICS

- Plan Agenda for ACOA Meeting April 6, 2021

ADJOURN 12:30

From March 2, 2021 – Zoom Meeting

CALL TO ORDER: 12:05

ROLL CALL: Richard White, Chair; Dane Reeves, Vice Chair; Susan Ensey, Secretary; Elaine Clark, Staff.

PLANNED AGENDA FOR April 6, 2021

- Council Meeting to be conducted in two parts: Regular Meeting 10:00-10:45; Area Plan Update 10:45-12:00.
- Officer Nominations: Presentation by Ad Hoc Committee of slate of Officers; Conduct nominations from the floor.
- Ad Hoc Membership Committee Update: Members leaving at the end of the month; Members reappointed for second 2-year terms; New Member recommendations.

DISCUSSION TOPICS:

- Future Vice Chair responsibilities listed in By Laws to be revised to include more significant responsibilities.
- Review the Internal Calendar for Meetings that could accommodate brief Provider presentations.

ADJOURNED 12:45

Internal Calendar - Napa / Solano Advisory Council on Aging - FY20-21

Updated 03/27/21

Month	Meetings / Membership	Project & Advocacy Milestones	Key AAA / Contract Activities
JULY	Review of 2020-2024 Area Plan		FY20-21 Provider Contracts begin
AUGUST	8/4 Speaker Patti Prunhuber, Justice in Aging. Subject: Elder Housing Resignation from Linda Chandler, Solano	Elder Justice Committee approved	Elaine Clark presented a Summary of the top 5 Community/AAA Priorities for each county with objectives and goals.
SEPTEMBER Fall Prevention Month	Welcome new Solano Council Members: Tony Provine and Cheryl Johnson 9/1 Speakers Caroline Perry and Elizabeth Hansell. Subject: Proposition 19	Adopt-A-Provider Project Started	CARES Funding recommendations reviewed with Council. Senior Resource Guide for each county published.
OCTOBER Emergency Preparedness	Members received ACOA business cards, cloth brief-cases and materials.	Project structure approved.	CARES funding finalized
NOVEMBER Family Caregiver Month	11/3 Speaker: Nicole Braddock, Solano Land Trust Collabria Care update by Dane Reeves; Alzheimer's Assoc. by Cheryl Johnson		CARES funding available to Providers starting November 1st, expiring September 30th.
DECEMBER	12/1 Speaker: Mark Foster, Napa County. Subject: The Vital Apps Emergency Housing Funding Explained	Motion to support and pursue implementation of The Vitals App.	Agreement approved for the Solano County RX Health Program.
JANUARY	1/5 Speaker: Lauren Rolfe, California Senior Assembly Member. Subject: CSL New Website overview	Approved Project: Advocacy Newsletter and Alerts	New AAA website launch New COVID Relief Bill reviewed
FEBRUARY	2/2 Speaker: Julie Bates: Livable Communities and Livability Index Molly's Angels Update by Susan Ensey	Newsletter and Program Themes Calendar teams activating Calendar themes and topics into the Newsletter. Capital Day February 28	Approved reallocation of PD&C funding; and allocation of additional One-Time-Only and Realignment funding
MARCH March for Meals	Officer Nomination Committee Members approved.	Approved AgeWell for Newsletter name. Advocacy Committee tracking and active with multiple state and Federal Bills.	Start review process for Area Plan and Provider allocations Proposed Budget for 21-22
APRIL	Slate of Officers presented, nominations from the floor. Approve new ACOA Member recommendations; Approve Members renewing for 2nd 2-year terms; and Members leaving Council on 4/30.	Presentation and review of updated Area Plan by Elaine Clark.	Update Area Plan: Public Hearing on Area Plan Funding allocations approved
MAY Older Americans	Approve New Officers Presentation: Solano Pride: Donna Harris		Submit Area Plan to CDA
JUNE Gay Pride & Elder Abuse	Terms end for current Officers 6/30		

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March 2, 2021

The Honorable John Laird
State Senator, 17th District
State Capitol, Room 4040
Sacramento, CA 95814

Re: SB 258 (Laird): HIV & Aging Act – SUPPORT

Dear Senator Laird:

On behalf of the Napa/Solano Area Agency on Aging Advisory Council, I write in strong support of Senate Bill 258. SB 258 will update the definition of “greatest social need” to include cultural or social isolation caused by HIV status. This bill will help to ensure that older people with HIV have access to the programs and services administered by the California Department of Aging.

The Advisory Council serves in an advisory, planning, and advocacy capacity, reporting to the Oversight Board of the Napa/Solano Area Agency on Aging. Its mission is to plan, coordinate, preserve, and strengthen the quality of life for older Americans, the disabled, and caregivers in Napa and Solano counties.

With recent advancement in HIV treatment, people living with HIV are living longer and older people with HIV are increasingly dominating the epidemic. Over 50% of people living with HIV in California are 50 years of age or older. People 50 and older also accounted for 15% of new HIV diagnoses in 2018.

A 2020 report by SAGE’s HIV and Aging Policy Action Coalition identified several unique challenges and barriers to services experienced by older adults living with HIV. Older people with HIV are more likely than their HIV-negative counterparts to have multiple comorbidities, including certain cancers, cardiovascular disease, and hepatitis C. Older people with HIV also face higher rates of behavioral health challenges and experience significant levels of stigma, social isolation, and loneliness.

The federal Older Americans Act (OAA) funds various services for older adults including meals, job training, senior centers, caregiver support, transportation, health promotion, and benefits enrollment. The California Department of Aging (CDA) administers these programs and contracts with a network of 33 Area Agencies on Aging who directly manage a wide array of federal and state-funded services. The OAA specifically emphasizes that these services should be targeted to older adults with the greatest economic or social needs.

Given the unique barriers faced by older people with HIV, it is critical that California expand the definition of “greatest social need” to include cultural or social isolation caused by HIV status. This change will help to ensure that CDA develops guidance, identifies promising practices, and provides technical assistance on effective strategies to better serve older people with HIV.

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By passing SB 258, California will become one of the first states in the nation to ensure older people with HIV have access to vital programs and services so they can age with dignity. For these reasons, the Advisory Council to the Napa/Solano Area Agency on Aging strongly supports SB 258.

Respectfully,

Richard White
Chair, Advisory Council
Advisory Council, Napa/Solano Area Agency on Aging

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Advisory Council on Aging

The Honorable Dr. Richard Pan, Chair
Senate Health Committee
State Capitol
Sacramento, CA 95814

March 10, 2021

**RE: SB 281 (Dodd) – California Community Transitions
SUPPORT**

Dear Senator Pan,

The Advisory Council on Aging to the Napa/Solano Area Agency on Aging is in support of SB 281, by Senator Dodd, regarding the California Community Transitions (CCT) Program. CCT helps transition seniors and people with disabilities who want to move home from nursing facilities and other institutions. The program is authorized by the federal Money Follows the Person demonstration project to transition people receiving Medicaid-funded long-term services and supports (LTSS) in institutional settings back into community settings. This bill would conform SB 214 (Dodd 2020) to recent changes in federal eligibility that reduced the length of stay requirement in an inpatient facility from 90 to 60 days and makes the program a state funded Medi-Cal benefit if federal funding is terminated.

CCT transition teams work with individuals to develop a safe transition plan that identifies the housing and community supports necessary for a successful transition, including help with activities of daily living, home modifications, and other supports like meal delivery. CCT provides savings for the State because community living is more cost effective than institutional care. Studies have established that the CCT participants were less likely than a comparison group to be readmitted to an institution in the year after transition. Quality of life surveys showed improvement in satisfaction with care and living arrangements, and fewer reports of barriers to community integration.

The CCT program provides the necessary infrastructure to transition individuals during this time of the COVID pandemic. The program was essential before COVID and will be just as needed post-COVID to help seniors and people with disabilities live in the setting of their choice. We respectfully urge your "aye" vote on SB 281.

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Sincerely,

Richard J. White
Chair, Advisory Council on Aging
Napa/Solano Area Agency on Aging

cc: Members and consultants, Senate Health Committee
Senator Dodd

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March 26, 2021

The Honorable James Frazier
State Assemblyman, 11th District
State Capitol
Sacramento, CA 95814

Re: AB-98 Health Care: Medical Goods: Reuse and Redistribution

Dear Assemblyman Frazier:

On behalf of the Advisory Council on Aging to the Napa/Solano Area Agency on Aging, I write in strong support of AB98. At this time, there is no organized reuse and recycling program for needed medical supplies and home equipment in Solano County where one is desperately needed.

In Napa County, *Share the Care's* front porch reuse and recycling program has been operating successfully for many years and residents from Fairfield, Vacaville, and Vallejo have frequently driven to Napa to either drop off or pick up supplies.

It is difficult to quantify how many medical supplies and equipment wind up in landfill. Occasionally, these same items are available in resale/thrift shops in small amounts, but we cannot always know that people will have sufficient time to look for and purchase them in time of need. A coordinated, community-based approach, with needed medical supplies and equipment, makes the most sense. Passing AB98 is a huge step in the right direction.

Having an operating pilot project that integrates the reuse and recycling program across Napa, Solano, and Contra Costa counties provides a better way to manage medical supplies and equipment, better utilizes what already exists, and saves money in overall health care.

AB98 will benefit many people, of all ages. The Advisory Council on Aging to the Napa/Solano Area Agency on Aging supports this bill.

Respectfully,

Richard White
Chair, Advisory Council
Napa/Solano Area Agency on Aging

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AAA Emergency Housing Assistance Program *Program update for the Solano County Board of Supervisors* **March 4, 2021**

Program Overview

- Program Dates: November 2020 through September 2021
- \$2,500 maximum per person
- One-time opportunity per person

Funding

- \$344,549 Direct Service funds for Solano County Residents
- Funding Source: CARES Act administered through Area Agency on Aging (AAA)
- Funding is allocated by city, based on estimated percentage of Solano senior population
 - Benicia 8%
 - Dixon 4%
 - Fairfield/Suisun 27%
 - Rio Vista 5%
 - Vallejo 35%
 - Vacaville 21%

Who Qualifies?

- Older adults (60+) and adults with disabilities who live in Solano County
- Must have a housing-related financial emergency

Outreach Efforts

FRC staff have actively reached out the following with presentations and flyers. Flyers are in both English and Spanish

FRC Network: Dixon, Vallejo, Rio Vista, Fairfield,
Suisun, Vacaville
Solano Children's Network
Benicia Parks and Rec
Benicia Strong
Families in Transition
Senior Centers: Vallejo, Vacaville, Dixon and
Fairfield
Solano County Adult Protective Services

St Vincent DePaul
Solano Child Support Services
Community Action Council
Casa Villa Rosa/Benicia Housing Authority
Share the Care - Napa
Adventist Hospital - Napa County
Amanda Kennedy - Napa Social Services
City of Benicia Senior Vaccine Clinic (For all
Solano Seniors)

The AAA and Advisory Council on Aging (ACOA) have spoken with or sent flyers for distribution to

- AAA Service Providers
- Solano Senior Coalition
- Vallejo Senior Roundtable

Supervisor Brown added information to her newsletter and sent press releases to local newspapers

Outcomes – two months of active funding

Program has been actively reviewing applications for approximately two months.

- 31 Applications approved (Solano County)
- 9 Applications pending (Solano County)
- \$57,244.56 Awarded (Solano County)
 - \$41,348.94 in rental assistance
 - \$11,401.45 in utilities assistance
 - \$4,494.17 in other assistance (includes mobile home space rental, home heating repair and special HOA assessment)

Average wait time from approval to funding: 7 days. Checks are made payable to the service provider, not the client.

NSAAA Emergency Asst Program

3/3/2021 Status

City	Pending				Rent	PGE	Water	Other	Total Used	Percent	
	Approve	Deny	Apps							per City	Total Allotted
Benicia	12	0	4	\$16,145.94	\$3,400.92	\$383.48	\$2,228.51	\$22,158.85		8%	\$27,563.96
Dixon	1	0	0	\$2,225.00				\$2,225.00		4%	\$13,781.98
FF/Suisun	7	2	3	\$10,323.00	\$2,296.02	\$349.13		\$12,968.15		27%	\$93,028.36
Rio Vista	1	1	0	\$1,360.00	\$1,140.00			\$2,500.00		5%	\$17,227.47
Vallejo	7	4	2	\$10,000.00	\$1,797.95	\$612.74	\$2,265.66	\$14,676.35		35%	\$120,592.32
Vacaville	3	3	0	\$1,295.00	\$1,200.00	\$221.21		\$2,716.21		21%	\$72,355.39
Napa County	4	3	1	\$2,850.00	\$1,650.00		\$1,500.00	\$6,000.00			\$60,852.52
CITY TOTALS	35	13	10	\$44,198.94	\$11,484.89	\$1,566.56	\$5,994.17	\$63,244.56			\$405,402.00

Notes

- 1) 12 denials were due to lack of follow up by the applicant after repeated contact. They are all eligible to reapply.
One applicant was too young and not disabled.
- 2) 70% of disbursement is for rent. 19% is for PGE. 2% is for water. 9% is other.
- 3) Other includes mobile home space rental, home heating repair and special HOA assessment.
- 4) As shown, Benicia has received the largest disbursement amount. Benicia is allotted 8% of the total grant amount by population.
We will discontinue applications in Benicia when we reach the 8% allotment, to make sure all cities receive their fair distribution.
- 5) Disbursement for this project began January 1, 2021. Numbers reflect eight weeks that the program has been active.

2021
Annual Update
Four-Year Area
Plan on Aging
PSA 28

July 1, 2020 to June 30, 2024
aaans.org

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Napa/Solano Area Agency on Aging
Mission Statement

... to advocate for and enhance the quality of life, health, independence, and dignity of older adults in Napa and Solano counties.

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Napa/Solano Area Agency on Aging
Area Plan 2021 Update presentation

- Priorities
- Goals
- Funding
- Services
- Accomplishments
- Questions/Discussion

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Needs Assessment Findings
AAA Priorities


- Transportation
- Housing
- Nutrition
- Access to Services/Resources



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New AAA Priority

Social Isolation



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AREA PLAN GOALS AND OBJECTIVES

Goal # 1

Increase awareness of resources and access to services and supports for older adults and family caregivers.



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AREA PLAN GOALS AND OBJECTIVES

Goal # 2

Enhance safety, physical and mental health and wellbeing of older adults and family caregivers through coordinated long-term services and supports (LTSS) emphasizing livable communities and healthy aging.

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Goal # 3

Establish partnerships with service providers, local agencies, elected officials and stakeholders to promote collaboration and advocacy for increased countywide and cross-county resources to address the needs of older adults and their family caregivers.

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AREA PLAN GOALS AND OBJECTIVES

Goal # 4

Expand services to underserved, at risk older adult populations and their caregivers through focused services and supports.

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FY 2021-2022 Budget TBD

- Total current AAA Budget: \$3,561,844
- Intrastate Funding Formula
 - 25.81% Napa
 - Allocated \$981,423
 - 74.19% Solano
 - Allocated \$2,580,421

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FY 2021-2022 Budget Adequate Proportion

- No change from prior year.
- N/S AAA has identified the following minimum allocations:
 - Access: 33%
 - In-Home Services: 15%
 - Legal Assistance: 11%

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N/S AAA Service Providers Napa

- Bay Area Legal Aid (Senior Legal Services)
- Callabria Care (Family Caregiver, Respite Care, Counseling, I&A, Case Management, Caregiver Referral)
- Community Action Napa Valley (Senior Meals)
- Molly's Angels (Partnerships, Friendly Visiting, Gift-giving, Elder Abuse Prevention)
- Share the Care Napa Valley (Fall Prevention)

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N/S AAA Service Providers
Solano

- Alzheimer Association
Family Caregiver
- Faith in Action
Transportation
- Legal Services of Northern CA
Senior Legal Services
- Mirals on Wheels Solano
Concierge, Meal, Medication Management, Fall Prevention
- Ombudsman of CC and Solano
Ombudsman, Home Visiting, Calling
- Redwood Caregiver Resource Center
Family Caregiver
- Innovative Health Solutions
Geriatricians Support
- Solano Pride
Outreach and Case Management Services
- Food Bank
Senior Grocery Boxes

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N/S AAA Service Providers
Napa and Solano

Innovative Health Solutions:
Health Promotion
CalFresh Healthy Living


Benicia Family Resource Center:
Cash/Material Aid

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AAA Oversight Board		NAPA/SOLANO AREA AGENCY ON AGING	
Chair: County Board of Supervisors Solano Supervisor Monica Brown	4-year term Expires 11/2022	Alternate County Board of Supervisors Solano Supervisor Erin Hanigan	4-year term Expires 11/2022
Vice-Chair: County Board of Supervisors Napa Supervisor Brad Wagenknecht	4-year term Expires 11/2022	Alternate County Board of Supervisors Napa Supervisor Ryan Gregory	4-year term Expires 11/2022
City Council Napa Councilwoman Liz Alessio	4-year term Expires 12/2022	Alternate City Council Napa Councilman David Oro	4-year term Expires 12/2022
City Council Solano Mayor Robert McConnell (Vallejo)	4-year term Expires 11/2022	City Council Solano Mayor Ronald Kott (Rio Vista)	4-year term Expires 11/2022
Community Member 60+ Napa Heather Stanton	6-year term Expires 12/2024	Alternate Community Member 60+ Napa TBO	6-year term Expires 12/2024
Community Member 60+ Solano Steve Sillen	6-year term Expires 12/2024	Alternate Community Member 60+ Solano County Delphine Metcalf-Foster	6-year term Expires 12/2024
Member At Large Napa Xavia Hendrix	6-year term Expires 12/2024	Alternate Member At Large Napa TBO	6-year term Expires 12/2024
Member At Large Solano	6-year term Expires 12/2024	Alternate Member At Large Solano County Beatrice Clark	6-year term Expires 12/2024

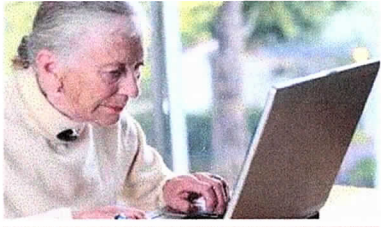
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- Funding
- Services
- Adaptations

Pandemic/Shelter in Place

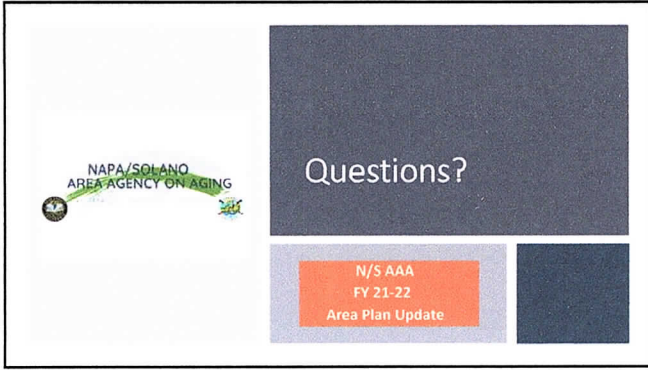
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- Expanded contracts with new local nonprofits
- Disaster Response - COAD
- Cash/Material Aid
- Health
- CARES Act

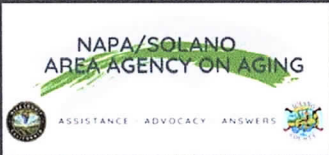
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FY 20-24 Four Year Area Plan

Napa/Solano Area Agency on Aging

Four Year Area Plan Update

May 2021

Mission Statement

The mission of the Napa/Solano Area Agency on Aging is to advocate for and enhance the quality of life, health, independence, and dignity of older adults in Napa and Solano counties.

Priorities

The Napa/Solano Area Agency on Aging (N/S AAA) is a Joint Exercise of Powers Agreement between Napa County and Solano County, designated as Planning and Service Area (PSA) 28. The Solano County Department of Health and Social Services provides the staffing and organizational infrastructure for the AAA.

Total older adult population 60+ 140,733 (California Department of Aging, 2/11/2021)

- Napa 36,326
- Solano 104,407

For FY 21-22, the California Department of Aging intrastate funding formula of February 11, 2021 specified the funding for Napa County contracts should be receiving is 25.81% and Solano County contracts should be receiving 74.19% of the total AAA funding.

Community surveys and focus groups indicate similar needs among older adults living in the two counties. Both counties include rural areas lacking adequate transportation alternatives, and the need for emergency preparedness. Both counties have economically diverse populations, and both have aging populations in need of low-cost housing supports.

Priorities, continued

Top Five Needs Identified for Napa and Solano Counties

County of Napa	County of Solano
1 Transportation provision or assistance	1 Transportation provision or assistance
2 Home-delivered meals	2 Senior center activities
3 Assistance in locating housing	3 Home-delivered meals
4 Cash/material aid	4 Education on senior topics and help linking to available resources
5 Education on senior topics and help linking to available resources	5 Assistance in locating housing

There is no formal update to the Needs Assessment priorities for FY21-22.

However, social isolation has been added as an area of priority within the category of Access to Services/Resources. The N/S AAA is focused on expanding services to homebound elders and those profoundly impacted by Shelter in Place. The AAA will build on the technology-based resources for isolated/homebound seniors.

Area Plan Goals

Goal 1: Increase awareness of resources and access to services and supports for older adults and family caregivers.

Goal 2: Enhance safety, physical and mental health and wellbeing of older adults and family caregivers through coordinated long-term services and supports (LTSS) emphasizing livable communities and healthy aging.

Goal 3: Establish partnerships with service providers, local agencies, elected officials, and stakeholders to promote collaboration and advocacy for increased countywide and cross-county resources to address the needs of older adults and their family caregivers.

Goal 4: Expand services to underserved, at risk older adult populations and their caregivers through focused services and supports.

Funding

The total AAA Budget for FY 20-21 is \$3,561,844. The budget included \$372,620 of federal CARES Act funding and \$143,750 Dignity at Home state funding. There will be additional federal stimulus funding allocations for Older Americans Act programs that was authorized in March. The proposed State budget also includes increases in funding for AAA services. The budget allocation for FY 21-22 has not been issued by the California Department of Aging (CDA).

CDA determines the Intrastate Funding Formula each year for all Planning and Service Areas (PSA) throughout the state. The formula for FY21-22 determines Napa County is entitled to 25.81% of the N/S AAA budget and Solano County is entitled to 74.19%.

AAA Funded Services

<i>Alzheimer’s Association Family Caregiver</i>
<i>Bay Area Legal Aid Senior Legal Services</i>
<i>Benicia Family Resource Center Cash/Material Aid</i>
<i>Collabria Care Family Caregiver, Respite Care, Counseling, I&A, Case Management, Caregiver Referral</i>
<i>Community Action Napa Valley Senior Meals</i>
<i>Faith in Action Transportation</i>
<i>Innovative Health Solutions CalFresh Healthy Living, Grandparents Support, Health Promotion</i>
<i>Legal Services of Northern CA Senior Legal Services</i>
<i>Meals on Wheels Solano Senior Meals; I&A/Case Management; Fall Prevention</i>
<i>Molly’s Angels Transportation, Friendly Visiting, Ombudsman, Elder Abuse Prevention</i>
<i>Ombudsman of CC and Solano Ombudsman; Home Visiting/Calling</i>
<i>Redwood Caregiver Resource Center Family Caregiver</i>
<i>Share the Care Napa Valley Fall Prevention</i>
<i>Solano Pride Outreach, Peer Counseling, and Case Management LGBTQI</i>
<i>Food Bank of Contra Costa and Solano, Groceries</i>

AAA Funded Services, continued

The AAA has continued to expand critical services to older adults through adding contracts with new service providers. These include the Food Bank of Contra Costa and Solano and Innovative Health Solutions. The AAA conducts RFP for services that are new or to replace service providers no longer offering AAA programs.

Newly established programs include:

Culturally appropriate congregate meals for Pacific Islander older adults (Vallejo). This program is on hold until Public Health rules allow.
Nutrition program snack sack; Napa and Solano
Senior Emergency Food program Solano
Packaged emergency kits Napa and Solano
Groceries Solano
LGBTQI case management and outreach Solano
Emergency housing support Napa and Solano
Breakfast meal program Napa
Health/Park Rx program Solano
Google Home device pilot Napa and Solano

Accomplishments

The AAA has expanded contracts with new local nonprofits.
The AAA has advocated for seniors in Disaster Response by serving on COAD (Community Organizations Active in Disaster)
The AAA developed new contracts to address critical need for Cash/Material Aid.
The AAA has partnered to fund new Health programs to expand seniors' options to address health promotion and disease prevention.
The AAA received CARES Act funding and distributed those funds to local service providers to address critical needs of older adults and caregivers.

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