



SENIOR COALITION OF STANISLAUS COUNTY

March 28, 2023 | Virtual Meeting

Members Present:

Dianna Olson, Samantha Borba, and Jessica Enes - Healthy Aging Association (HAA), Tim Stevens - Home Safety Services, Elba Scherer - Hands on Central/Americorps, Hayley Vieyra - MOVE, Hannah Brady - Senior Advocacy Network, Julian Aguirre - Stanislaus County Community Services Agency/Adult Services, Melissa Flagherty - Stanislaus Ombudsman Program, Denise Davis - Alzheimer's Association, Gaby Hernandez - Love Stanislaus County, Penny Oliver & Jeannette Johnson - Valley Capital Advisors, Jeremy Matthews - Caregiver To You, Gina Innes - CSA Adult Services, Patricia Mendoza - Central Valley PACE, Martha Celaya - Center for Human Services.

Facilitator:

Jessica Enes, Healthy Aging Association

Agenda Item	Discussion	Outcome/Action
Welcome and Introductions	<i>Jessica facilitated introductions. Participants introduced themselves.</i>	

New Business		
Fall Prevention Resource Guide	Jessica updated the Coalition on the current revisions to the Fall Prevention Resource Guide. The group gave feedback and additional changes to the “Emergency Response” section. The next section to be revised will be “Medication Management”.	
Caregiver Retreat Recap	Tiffany provided written summary of the outcome of the Caregiver Retreat. Area Agency on Aging along with 8 community partners, 22 vendors, and 7 student volunteers served 40 unpaid caregivers at the retreat on March 22nd. Denise Davis, Jeremy Matthews, and Hayley Vieyra added that the event was a success and caregiver and community partners would like the event to happen again.	
Housing Update	Dianna informed the Coalition about the future efforts of working with Community Impact Central Valley (CICV) regarding senior housing and mentioned a new bill SB584 Laborforce Housing.	https://leginfo.ca.gov/aces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=202120220SB584
Local Aging & Disability Action Planning Grant Program	Gina Innes shared that she and Jose Michel applied for a Master Plan for Aging Grant through the CDA. This grant will help work on the MPA initiatives to focus on objectives that are important to the community. This grant would also establish an advisory and leadership committee to make sure everyone in the community is reached and the needs of the community addressed.	https://www.grants.ca.gov/grants/local-aging-disability-action-planning-ladap-grant-program/
Senior Rally Day	Jessica and Dianna informed the group that Senior Rally Day would be May 2nd and registration is now open. Senior Rally Day occurs each year in May to coincide with Older Americans Month. It is designed to raise awareness among legislators and the Governor about senior issues during the time period when the May revision of the Governor's annual budget is being finalized.	https://4csl.org/senior-rally-day/registration/

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Fall Prevention Services & Programs		
A Matter of Balance Classes	Upcoming 8-week class in Modesto at the Stanislaus Veterans Center beginning next week April 4th by HAA is full. Currently taking sign ups for the waitlist. A Matter of Balance focuses on the fear of falling and concerns about falling for older adults.	https://www.healthyaginassociation.org/a-matter-of-balance.html
Dignity At Home	Older adults and/or persons with disabilities can be provided in-home environmental assessments, fall prevention education, and injury prevention accessories if they are at risk of falling in Stanislaus County. The program coordinated by HAA is currently accepting referrals.	https://www.healthyaginassociation.org/dignity-at-home.html
COVID-19 Vaccine Updates and Outreach		Outcome/Action
Updates	HAA doing bi-monthly newsletters. COVID funding ending at the end of March. If people still need COVID test kits they can go through the USPS website or go to their local pharmacy. Antigen tests will soon not be free as of May 11.	https://store.usps.com/store/results?Ntt=covid&_requestid=377312

Agency Sharing:

- Samantha Borba - Age with Movement Celebration fundraiser will be Friday, May 5th. Sponsorship opportunities still available and looking for volunteers.
- Gaby Hernandez - Working to get volunteers in various cities to be able to better serve more communities throughout Stanislaus County.
- Hayley Vieyra- New CEO Meagan Myers. July 1 MOVE will be taking over the transportation part of Catholic Charities. Still offering transportation training.
- Melissa Flagherty - Looking for interested volunteers for the Ombudsman program.
- Gina Innes - Offering training for IHSS career pathways program Homebridge. Career pathways Spanish classes available.
- Jeremy Matthews - Bringing falls prevention program STEADI. Providing a new program Flex Care that will offer services per service.
- Jeannette Johnson - Medicare open enrollment until March 31st.
- Hannah Brady - Pop up legal clinics and housing rights presentations. Current programs - rental subsidy, homeshare, housing counseling, home safe program. Accepting referrals - mortgage foreclosure prevention program, consumer debt program, and legal on the move.
- Denise Davis - Virtual education and on going support groups. Currently working with CSA and Center for Human Services on grant partnership to bring community based events to train and educate people.

Next Meeting: May 23, 2023 at 2:30 pm **Meeting held virtually via Zoom**