

# ADULT SERVICES POLICY COUNCIL

Working together to meet the health and human service needs of adults and seniors.

Our vision is safe and supported adults & seniors with access to a full continuum of resources & independence wherever they reside.

## Members

### **Boards, Commissions and Community Groups**

Adult Abuse Prevention Council  
Commission on Aging  
County Board of Supervisors  
Drug and Alcohol Advisory Board  
Health Commission  
Mental Health Advisory Board  
SLO Supportive Housing Consortium

### **Non-Profit Agencies**

211 SLO Hotline  
AIDS Support Network & SLO Hep C Project  
Alzheimer's Association  
Area Agency on Aging  
CenCal Health  
Coast Caregiver Resource Center  
Community Action Partnership of SLO County  
Community Health Centers / Services of the Central Coast  
Hospice of San Luis Obispo County  
Independent Living Resource Center  
Linkages Care Management  
LTC Ombudsman Services of SLO County  
North County Connection  
Peoples' Self Help Housing  
Retired Senior Volunteer Program  
Ride-On Transportation  
Senior Legal Services Project  
Senior Nutrition Program  
Transitions/Mental Health Association  
Tri-Counties Regional Center  
United Cerebral Palsy  
United Way of San Luis Obispo County  
Wilshire Community Services / Caring Callers / Creative Mediation / Senior Peer Counseling

### **Private Organizations**

Bates Care Management  
Client Care Consultants  
Family Home Care  
Morris & Garritano Insurance  
Sierra Vista Medical Center  
Trio

### **Public Agencies**

San Luis Coastal Adult School  
San Luis Obispo County Departments of:  
District Attorney / Victim Witness Assistance  
Health Agency: Public Health / Public Guardian / Medical Services/ Behavioral Health  
Probation Department  
Sheriff  
Department of Social Services / Adult Services  
Veteran's Services

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## **AGENDA**

**3/2/2012**

**9.00 – 11.00 a.m.**

### **INTRODUCTIONS and ANNOUNCEMENTS**

(New developments for the population, agency or program changes that affect other agencies or programs)

### **PUBLIC COMMENT (5 minutes or less)**

### **DISCUSSION / INFORMATION ITEMS:**

- SLO County Community Foundation – Janice Fong Wolf
- Older Americans Month – May 2012

### **CORRECTIONS / ADDITIONS TO THE SYNOPSIS**

### **ACTION ITEMS:**

- (None)

### **COMMITTEE UPDATES AS NEEDED: (10 minutes or less).**

- IHSS Update
- Good Neighbor
- POLST Follow up
- Continuum of Care

### **MEETING LOCATION:**

Department of Social Services  
2975 McMillan Road, San Luis Obispo  
Suite 164 (Big Conference Room)

### **NEXT MEETING:**

**4/6/2012**

**ASPC Meeting March 2, 2012**  
**Chaired by Janet Amanzio**

**Attendees:**

Edie Kahn, AIDS Support Network/SLO Hep C	Transitions-Mental Health Assn
joyce ellen lippman, Area Agency on Aging	Pam Crabaugh, Tri-Counties Regional Center
Janet Amanzio, Behavioral Health/Mental Health	Kara Edwall, United Way
Kathleen Bellefontaine, Commission on Aging	Jessica Devereaux, Wilshire Community Services
Grace McIntosh, CAPSLO	Kevin Drabinski, Field Rep for Assemblyman Achadjian
Diane Jay, County Medical Services Program	Susan Devine, Aide to Supervisor Adam Hill
Sandra Pendell, Department of Social Services	Rich Smucker, Mariposa Music Therapy
Jean Raymond, French Hospital/Health Commission	Laura DeLoye, Mariposa Music Therapy
Kathleen Karle, Public Health	Sally Ames, San Luis Coastal Adult School
Jerry Mihaic, Independent Living Resource Center	Chris Lopez, Alzheimer's Association
Karen Jones, Long Term Care Ombudsman Svcs	Heidi McNichols, SLO County Probation
Rick Gulino, Peoples Self Help Housing	Theresa Merkle, CenCal Health
Marie Brinkmeyer, RSVP	Janice Fong Wolf SLO County Community Foundation
Elias Nimeh, Senior Nutrition Program	Aline Reed, United Cerebral Palsy
Barry Johnson,	Gail Tutino, CHC
	Jason Reed, Women's Shelter
	Meredith Bates, Bates Care Management

**Introductions and Announcements**

Kathleen Karle, Public Health, reported that she has been reviewing Community Block Grant applications. There will be just under \$1 million funded; announcement letters will be sent out mid to late March 2012.

Kathleen Bellefontaine, Commission on Aging, reminded the group that the Commission continues to seek new members.

Aline Reed, United Cerebral Palsy reported that United Cerebral Palsy will be holding their first annual Night Without Limits fundraiser on March 9, 2012.

Grace McIntosh, CAPSLO, reported that the Afternoon of Epicurean Delights will be held at the Chapman House on June 3. This year's honoree will be Janice Fong Wolf, SLO County Community Foundation.

Chris Lopez, Alzheimer's Association, reported that a professional caregivers' round table is held the 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday of each month from 5.30 to 6.30 p.m.

Elias Nimeh, Senior Nutrition, reported that the waiting list for the program should be deleted by the end of March.

Barry Johnson, Transitions-Mental Health Association, announced that Mental Health First Aid Training will be offered starting on March 16. The 12-hour training will be offered over 4 consecutive Fridays. In addition, Ally Training is available to interested agencies at no cost. Ally Training is done in conjunction with the Pride Center at Cal Poly and is focused on promoting culturally sensitive services to the LGBT community.

Joyce Ellen Lippman, Area Agency on Aging, reported that a brunch will be held in honor of Older Americans Month on May 21. Nominations to honor local citizens in a number of categories are currently being accepted. She also noted that HICAP volunteer training will be offered starting on April 3.

Rick Gulino, People Self Help Housing, reported that the organization will be offering a fiscal literacy course starting on March 6.

Gail Tutino, CHC, reported that renovations to the San Miguel clinic were complete and the clinic would be reopening in the near future. She also reported that a new clinic would be opening at New Cuyama. A dental van is being used to provide dental services at various locations.

Diane Jay, CMSP, reported that CMSP would not be offering the Low Income Health Plan (LIHP) as had been planned.

Jason Reed reminded the group that the Women's Shelter's annual fundraiser, "Phyllis' Musical Review and Fashion Show" was being held on March 2 and 3. In addition he reported that a film he had collaborated on with Christina Bearce would be shown at the San Luis Obispo International Film Festival on March 11. The film, "Homeless Not Hopeless (in the "Happiest Place in America") depicts the conditions of homeless people in San Luis Obispo County and was produced with input from the Homeless Services Oversight Council and various agencies that provide homeless services.

Martin Meltz reported that St. Barnabas Church in AG is close to agreeing to provide safe parking for homeless. He noted that Prado Day Center and the SLO Police department are collaborating on providing safe parking at Prado. He reported that a new non-profit had been formed with the goal of developing property with very small homes for homeless people.

Karen Jones, Long Term Care Ombudsman's office, reported that two medically fragile prisoners were going to be released in SLO County in the near future. One of the prisoners will be dropped at a local hospital emergency room. She is holding a meeting with agencies who will be part of solution to discuss how to deal with this and plan for future releases. Also, she noted that the Long Term Care Ombudsman's office is seeking more volunteers. Training will be provided.

Cindy Marie Absey announced that during the week of April 22-28, 2012, San Luis Obispo County will commemorate CRIME VICTIMS' RIGHTS WEEK and the 35th anniversary of the District Attorney's Victim/Witness Assistance Center. Four individuals or groups who have

made special contributions promoting crime victims' rights and services in SLO County will be honored at a special celebration on Thursday, April 26. Nominations are due by March 14.

Meredith Bates announces that she is now providing services solely on the north coast and in the City of San Luis Obispo.

**Public Comment:**

None.

**Discussion/Information Items**

**Janice Fong Wolf, San Luis Obispo County Community Foundation (SLOCCF).**

Ms. Wolf provided information on SLOCCF, a non-profit entity focused on grant making through collaboration with local donors. SLOCCF primarily focuses on endowments. Since 1998 SLOCCF has been building a corpus which allows them to make investments which result in a sustainable long term financial resource for the community that exceeds the original donations.

SLOCCF has given out over \$17 million in grants in the local community. She noted that there are over 700 county community funds in the U.S. that focus on their local communities.

SLOCCF provides funding solely in SLO County. Donors often have identified the type of programs where they want their donations to be used. About 40% of grants are named grants selected by wealthy donors to go to specific programs. SLOCCF also has pooled donations that many people can contribute to in various fields of interest. SLOCCF has scholarship funds and has given over \$1 million in scholarship awards in the community, the largest amount from one organization in the county. It maintains agency funds that allow organizations to solicit donations which will be held by SLOCCF and offer donors' reassurance that their contribution will be used as they intended. Ms. Wolf described a variety of programs currently being funded by SLOCCF

She noted that SLOCCF is also involved in strategic partnership, e.g., the Senior Symposium.

SLOCCF manages the Paul Wolff Accessibility Awards and is now accepting nominations for individuals and agencies for acknowledgement at the annual event. This year will be a dinner theater.

Ms. Wolf reported that human service and health grants will be available this coming fiscal year.

This year's budget will be finalized in the next week. Interested parties can go to SLOCCF's website to subscribe to a listserv for news about grants. She noted another grant opportunity would be coming up for the Ronald & Helen Dunin opportunity fund. That fund focuses on assisting individuals who can be provided with one-time funding to help overcome temporary challenges and obstacles and help with self-sufficiency. This funding is available to all people in transitions, e.g., domestic violence victims, foster youth, newly disabled, people in recovery, etc. SLOCCF allows nominating agencies to identify what would be most appropriate for their client.

**Older Americans Month.**

Kathleen Karle agreed to go to the Board of Supervisors on behalf of the ASPC to accept the Older Americans Month proclamation. The theme of this years Older American Month is "Never Too Old to Play." The group reviewed the 2011 proclamation as well as a suggested proclamation developed by the Department of Health & Human Services' Administration on Aging. It was agreed that the proposed proclamation would be used as a template and would be modified to reflect local conditions. Discussion was held on what items should be included in

the proclamation and in Ms. Karles' comments to the Board of Supervisors. Ms. Karle will draw up a draft proclamation and comments for review by the group. The final version of the proclamation will be completed at the next ASPC meeting.

**Corrections/Additions to the Synopsis**

The February 2012 synopsis was approved with no corrections.

**Action Items:**

None.

**Committee Updates:**

**IHSS Update** – Sandra Pendell provided an update on IHSS dual eligibility. Discussion was held on the needs of the Medicare/Medi-Cal population. Chris Lopez noted that veterans need to be encouraged to apply for VA healthcare. Their enrollment increases resources to veterans' service facilities and thus increases services to all local veterans.

**Good Neighbors** – Jessica Devereaux reported six new volunteers will be training tomorrow. Forty-five new referrals came in February. The volunteer coordinator is doing presentations at SLO County libraries in March. Marie Brinkmeyer notes that RSVP volunteers working with Good Neighbors find it to be very enjoyable.

**POLST Update** – Jean went to the State and National POLST conference. She found it interesting to see how various states are handling POLST and noted that momentum seems to be growing. She provided an update on SLO County POLST to state agency last month. A planning meeting will be held at the Long Term Care Ombudsman's office on 3//21 from 3.30 to 5.00. All are invited to join. She noted that some funding is available for POLST related education programs.

**Continuum of Care** -- Janet Amanzio reminded the group that the ASPC Continuum of Care is being updated. Additions, corrections and deletions should be sent to Sandra Pendell.

**Roundtable** – Martin Meltz asked whether or not the membership felt there are enough assisted care facilities in SLO County. The membership indicated there are enough assisted care facilities for seniors who have financial resources, but not enough for low income seniors. Kathleen Bellefontaine reported that SLOCOA members had visited several low income independent living communities in SLO and North County and gave a report of their findings and impressions. Mr. Meltz asked if there is a way to encourage development of such facilities in SLO County and pointed to Medford, Oregon as a model. The group suggests that Mr. Meltz make contact with housing organizations and County Planning department.

**The next meeting is April 6, 2012  
9:00-11:00 a.m.  
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