

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.

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Area Agency on Aging
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Lifesteps Foundation
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North County Connection
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Retired Senior Volunteer Program
Ride-On Transportation
Senior Legal Services Project
Senior Nutrition Program
Transitional Food & Shelter
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 / Good Neighbor

Private Organizations

Bates Care Management
Bella Vista Transitional Care
French Hospital - Dignity West
Home Instead Senior Care
Mariposa Music Therapy/Arts for Living
Senior Living Consultants
Sierra Vista — Tenet Healthcare

Public Agencies

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

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AGENDA

06/06/2014

9:00 a.m. - 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)

GUEST SPEAKER:

- Caren Ray, BOS

MEMBER COMMENT:

CORRECTIONS / ADDITIONS TO THE SYNOPSIS:

ACTION ITEMS:

- Election of 1st Vice Chair & 2nd Vice Chair for 2014-2015
- Gaps Workgroup Topics
- Annual Report
- Older Americans Month Proclamation (May 2014)

COMMITTEE UPDATES AS NEEDED: (10 minutes or less)

- IHSS
- POLST
- Transportation

MEETING LOCATION:

CAPSLO

1030 Southwood Drive, San Luis Obispo

NEXT MEETING:

08/01/2014

No ASPC Meeting on Friday, July 4, 2014

Adult Services Policy Council

06/06/2014

9:00 am – 11:00 am

ATTENDEES:

Raye Fleming, CAPSLO
Jessica Deveraux, Wilshire Community Services
David Kilburn, AIDS Support Network & SLO Hep C Project
Jerry Mihaic, Independent Living Resource Center
Laura DeLoye, Mariposa Music Therapy/Arts for Living
Kathleen Bellefontaine, Commission on Aging
Rachel Cementina, United Way of SLO
Caren Ray, SLO Co. Board of Supervisors, District 4
Marie Brinkmeyer, RSVP – Senior Volunteer Services

ATTENDEES:

Gayle Tutino, Community Health Centers
Debbie Valley, DA/Victim Witness Assistance
Rick Smucker, Mariposa Music Therapy/Arts for Living
Sonnice Brown, Hospice of SLO County
Sonya Laputz, Alzheimer's Association
Mark Schaffer, Ride-On Trans./United Cerebral Palsy
Cynthia Collins, Life Steps Foundation - CCHS
Lisa Tapia, Life Steps, Central Coast Adults
Margie Alita, DSS (Synopsis)

INTRODUCTIONS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Chairwoman Marie Brinkmeyer welcomed the group and thanked everyone for attending today's meeting.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Laura DeLoye announced the date for Arts for Living Celebration of Gratitude to be held on Saturday, June 14, 2014, from 11 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. at the Atascadero Lake Park. Swing for Joy will be performing and a hamburger lunch will be provided. Please bring a side dish or veggies of fruit to share. RSVP by June 7, 2014, to Laura at 805-225-6101 or ldeloye@ucp-slo.org. Laura also mentioned the Sage Eco-Garden & Nursery Fundraiser Weekend, scheduled for June 14-15, 2014. Twenty percent of entire purchase will be donated to SLO Access for All. Sage Eco-Garden & Nursery is located at 1188 Los Osos Valley Road in Los Osos. Laura provided a flyer for the fundraiser and stated it must be presented at time of purchase.

Raye Fleming, CAPSLO - reminded the group that there are two health care clinics in the county (Arroyo Grande and San Luis Obispo) providing a broad scope of services to the community. There is an adult wellness program, a tattoo removal program, and other health services.

Sonya Laputz announced the Empowering the Caregiver Resource Fair scheduled for June 12, 2014, from 1 p.m. to 4 p.m. at the SLO Senior Center, 1445 Santa Rosa St., San Luis Obispo. Admission is free and open to the public. Guest speakers will include representatives from CAPSLO Adult Day Center, Hospice of SLO, and Veterans Affairs. Contact Sonya at 805-547-3830 or slaputz@alz.org to RSVP or for more details. Sonya also provided cards that request U.S. Representative Lois Capps requesting legislation and advocacy in support of Alzheimer's research and policy.

Cynthia Collins, Program Supervisor for Life Steps Foundation announced that a new residential facility is scheduled to open in July 2014 in Orcutt.

Jessica Deveraux, Wilshire Community Services - announced that there has been a surge in request for transportation in North County and volunteers are needed.

Marie Brinkmeyer, RSVP-Senior Volunteer Services – announced the Senior Volunteer Services/RSVP 6th Annual Fundraiser. Raffle tickets are \$5 each or five for \$20. Prizes include gas and groceries.

Jerry Mihaic reminded the group that the Food Bank is having a food drive at the Union Bank on Higuera Street in SLO today. Various Rabobank locations also serve as donation centers.

Mark Schaffer stated work is progressing on an online tool that will make it easier to find transportation.

Sonnie Brown said the Classic Car Show will be this Sunday (6/7/14) at Madonna Meadows; tickets are \$15 each and the event starts at 9 a.m. Highlights will include the 50th anniversary of the Ford Mustang.

GUEST SPEAKER:

Members welcomed Caren Ray, member of the SLO County Board of Supervisors, District 4. Supervisor Ray stated budget hearings begin the week of June 9 and may last up to three days. She provided a brief overview of the budget process, stating that beginning in January of every year the Board begins by setting county priorities. County departments submit requests, these request are reviewed by the CAO's office and recommendations are made and submitted to the Board.

Supervisor Ray spoke of the Board of Supervisors' Seven Year "Pain Plan" that was implemented in 2007. She stated \$30M in cuts were made during the year and cuts continued over the following years. The 2014 year is Year VII and she anticipates no major cuts will be made; in fact there is a surplus of about \$5.5M. Priorities for the use of the surplus include: \$2M to be allocated as one-time monies for road maintenance and \$1.5M to go back to refill various reserve accounts. Requests have been made for employee raises and for additional staffing. There will be a 4.4% staffing increase due to the expansion of the Affordable Care Act and AB109, Prison Realignment; the Department of Social Services was allocated 42 positions and 27 positions were allocated to various health agencies. Pressure is anticipated from labor groups, employee associations, and different groups that provide services. Supervisor Ray encouraged all to participate in the budget hearing process and advocate for their respective agencies and organizations. Supervisor Ray was thanked for her presentation.

MEMBER COMMENTS:

Kathleen Bellefontaine stated that the June 17, 2014 Board of Supervisors meeting is an important meeting and encouraged all to attend. She stated this is a good opportunity to advise the Board of Supervisors so that housing priorities can be established, specifically those related to senior-friendly housing and accessibility housing for the disabled.

Laura DeLoye shared briefly of the "Older American Month" Proclamation presented at the Board of Supervisors at their May 6, 2014, meeting. The document was passed around and shared with the members.

CORRECTIONS/ADDTIONS TO THE SYNOPSIS:

Jerry Mihaic stated he did not make the announcement regarding "Night of A Million Meals" at last month's meeting and stated the announcement was made by Eli Nimeh. Jerry also stated that his statement on page one regarding the IT advocate should be changed from "IT" to "AT," which stands for Assistive Technology.

Kathleen Bellefontaine made the motion to approve with corrections; motion was seconded by Mark Schaffer and passed unanimously.

ACTION ITEMS:

- **Election of 1st Vice Chair and 2nd Vice Chair for 2014-2015** – Laura DeLoye was nominated as Chair; Sonnie Brown was nominated as 1st Vice Chair and Kathleen Bellefontaine as 2nd Vice Chair effective July 1, 2014.

Motion was made by Marie Brinkmeyer and seconded by Meredith Bates. Motion was passed unanimously.

- **Annual Report** – Marie Brinkmeyer said assistance is needed to review the report so that it properly represents the group's activities during the past year. Sonnie Brown and Kathleen Bellefontaine volunteered to help Marie with the review. Marie will email both information on a meeting date and time. After the three meet, Marie will email the report for one final review by the group before it is submitted to the Board of Supervisors.

- **Gaps Workshop Topics** – Sonnie Brown provided a handout of the initial group findings. Topics include animal care, home care, case management, transportation, among many other topics. Marie Brinkmeyer stated a major problem is the lack of public awareness regarding critical needs areas as they relate to seniors and the disabled in the community. Jerry Mihaic stated technology can be a big part of communicating these needs via the use of social media; it would be a good way of disseminating the information. Meredith Bates stated the group recently held its first meeting and dates and times for future meetings will be established via a Doodle survey. Kathleen Bellefontaine stated it seems as though the same problems are being discussed in different venues. Marie Brinkmeyer suggested there should be some solutions presented that can be discussed and adopted or discussed and discarded but, as indicated by the list, there are many more needs and very few resources to adequately address them all. Mark Schaffer stated that identifying which needs are met and then making people aware of solutions/resources can be a first step. He suggested a campaign and/or informational piece of some sort can be created. This could lead to a press release that would inform the public of the five areas where needs aren't being met. Mark Schaffer said he would be willing to write an article once a decision is made. Sonnie will email the list to the group so that members can add additional comments or suggestions.

COMMITTEE UPDATES:

IHSS – No update

POLST – No update

Transportation – Mark Schaffer stated that a grant is being written so that all transportation providers, including taxis, can link together to provide rides/transportation. It would be an interactive feature that can be access by all. Approval has been given on software with the ability to take phone calls, confirm rides, and notify individuals when the transportation provider will be late. The Mobility Summit will be held in August; Mark will provide details/information at a later date. It was suggested that it would be useful to have scheduled/fixed transportation times in rural areas, such as CA Valley, so that transportation resources can be maximized/used by as many people as possible in a specific area.

Gayle Tutino reminded the group that CHC offers door-to-door transportation for doctor's appointments. She also stated the clinic in Cuyama will be adding a doctor to their staff in the future.

Meeting adjourned at 10:43 a.m.