

**PLACER COUNTY
OLDER ADULT ADVISORY COMMISSION
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MEETING MINUTES

January 19, 2021

Attendance

Members Present: Murial Moore, Michelle Nevins, Leslie Brewer, Russell Loop, Jim Williams, William Reed, Claire Buckley, Ben Eagleton, Jackie Smith, Kristina Blocker, Eldon Luce, Bobbi Knapp, Jim Holmes, and Clayton Wyatt.

Members Absent: Gloria Plasencia and Stephanie Vierstra

Public: Ana Acton, Marcia Hansen

County Staff: Colby Hytoff and Nicole Allen.

Call to Order: **Nevins** called the meeting to order at 1:06 pm. Introductions were made and a quorum was established.

Presentation: **Acton** with FREED shared a presentation on “Master Plan on Ageing”. She shared the Governor signed an Executives Order to develop a road map to address the challenges of the growing elderly population. She encouraged everyone to go to the website www.togetherweengage.com. This was the website that was used to get stakeholder insight. The Master Plan on Ageing was released in the last few weeks and the full plan can be located at <https://mpa.aging.ca.gov>. This webpage also has a data dashboard in which you can view the progress for each of the five bold goals. The Master Plan on Ageing outlines five bold goals and twenty-three strategies. The bold goals and strategies on ageing are:

1. Housing for all stages and all ages.

Strategy A: More Housing

Strategy B: Transportation Beyond Cars

Strategy C: Outdoor & Community Spaces for All Ages

Strategy D: Emergency Preparedness & Response

Strategy E: Climate-Friendly Aging

2. Health Reimagined

Strategy A: Bridging Health Care with Home

- Strategy B: Health Care as We Age
- Strategy C: Lifelong Healthy Aging
- Strategy D: Geriatric Care Expansion
- Strategy E: Dementia in Focus
- Strategy F: Nursing Home Innovation

3. Inclusion & Equity, Not Isolation

- Strategy A: Inclusion and Equity in Aging
- Strategy B: Closing the Digital Divide
- Strategy C: Opportunities to Work
- Strategy D: Opportunities to Volunteer and Engage Across Generations
- Strategy E: Protection from Abuse, Neglect & Exploitation
- Strategy F: California Leadership in Aging

4. Caregiving That Works

- Strategy A: Family & Friends Caregiving Support
- Strategy B: Good Caregiving Jobs Creation
- Strategy C: Virtual Care Expansion

5. Affording Aging

- Strategy A: End Homelessness for Older Adult
- Strategy B: Income Security as We Age
- Strategy C: Protection from Poverty & Hunger

Commissioner Absences: **Luce** moved to excuse **Vierstras'** absence; **Reed** seconded the motion. **The motion carried.**

Approve 11/17/20 Meeting Minutes:

- A motion was made by **Reed**, and seconded by **Knapp**, to approve the November 17, 2020 minutes. **Loop and Smith abstained; the motion carried.**

Executive Committee Report:

- **Hytoff** provided the Commission with an update regarding COVID-19. Placer has:
 - 16,761 confirmed cases
 - 174 deaths – 0 for ages 0-17; 3 for ages 18-49; 11 for ages 50-64; 160 for ages 65 years and older. Among those deaths, there was 156 had pre-existing medical condition and 18 are pending.
 - 145 cases in hospital, 129 confirmed COVID cases, 61 are Placer County residents
 - 27 confirmed COVID cases in the ICU, 12 are Placer residents, the COVID positive admission in the last 24 hours (this is dating back to Friday) is 22.

- 56 available Adult Medical/Surgical Beds in Placer Hospitals, 7 Adult ICU Beds in Placer Hospitals, 8% available ICU Beds in Placer Hospitals (Excluding NICU and PICU Beds)
 - The 7-day testing positivity rate is 12.7%, the present of increase case reporting in the last 7 days is 5.9%, and the present of increase case reporting in last 14 days is 16.7%, The 7-day case rate per 100,000 people is 47.4%.
 - Vaccinee – There is a limited supply of vaccinees, and older adults were added to the phase 1B. The public and private vaccinee administration partners in Placer County are offering the vaccines in extremely limited supply to residents over the age of 65. The vaccine is available in limited quantity through the Public Health Clinic in south Placer, larger hospitals systems like Kaiser and Sutter, and Pharmacy partner Safeway in a few locations in the county. Appointments are limited base on the availability of the vaccine supply. Vaccinations are by appointments only and you must provide proof of residency and age. There are 17 access points, that include mobile efforts by CVS and Walgreens, to vaccinate long term care residents.
 - **Hytoff** read quote from Rob Oldham the Public health Director and Human Service Director verifying that we do not have enough supplies at this time and that we are advocating for more doses. Rob Oldham thanked everyone for their patience.
- **Hytoff** added on the “Master Plan on Ageing” that he has reviewed it and see that it can fill some gapes in services for the elder and disabled population. This progression of the plan depends on when the Governor allots the funds. The first draft did have funds for some initiatives. The Master Plan on Ageing will be around for so time and will slowly be implemented.
 - **Luce** spoke to the up grade to the ADRC database. He encourages anyone that is looking for resources for individuals who are elderly and disabled to go to Seniors First website.
 - **Nevins** announced that Area 4 Representative has taken a new position with Agency on Ageing and has put in her resignation.
 - Member appointment for Area 4 Representative: a motion was made by **Williams**, and seconded by **Reed**, to approve the appointment of **Wyatt** as Area 4 Representative. **The motion carried.**

Public Comment: None currently.

County Report: Holmes

Holmes provided the Commission with an update on the County.

- There is a new County Supervisor, Susan Jones.
- We have received numerous about the vaccine. The District Aid for **Holmes** has been providing instructions on how to obtain the vaccine and directing individuals to the webpage.

Staff Report: Hytoff

- Placer County Older Adult Program Statistics - **Hytoff** provided the following Placer County Older Adult Services program statistics:
 - Adult Protect Services (APS) – In November 2020, there were 184 new APS referrals, of which 155 became APS cases. There were 162 reports of abuse by others and 47 reports of self-abuse (physical self-neglect).
 - Abuse by others – 6 report of abandonment, 2 reports of abduction, 56 reports of financial abuse, 9 reports of isolation, 37 reports of neglect, 20 reports of physical abuse, 32 reports of psychological abuse, 0 reports of sexual abuse.
 - Abuse by self – all 47 reports were physical self-neglect.
 - Senior Peer Counseling – In November 2020, there were 2 clients screened for services and 1 was connected to counselors. There were 9 counselors who had 55.75 volunteer hours.
 - In Home Supportive Services (IHSS) – In November 2020, IHSS had 3,860 IHSS recipients and 3,778 providers. There were 102 new applications, 45 new approved cases and 33 terminated cases. The Public Authority Registry served 1,400 recipients with 851 registry providers, including 15 registry matches and 99 provider referral lists sent to recipients.

AAA4 Reports: Wyatt

- **Wyatt** conveyed **Berry**'s thanks for the opportunity and enjoyment to take part in this Commission.
- **Wyatt** shared that they are very engrossed in nutrition and have launched several new programs. New 4-year cycle is about to start and proposals for programs are to come soon.
- **Buckley** shared that the notice of intent, which precede the RFP process, is on the Area 4/RFP page on the Area 4 webpage. The notice of intent describes what is being funded. The RFP will be out on 02/10/2021.

Older Adult Legislation: Smith

Smith shared that she is with CARA Legislation, a nonpartisan group that represents over million Californians. They will have their first meeting this year on this Thursday. They will mainly be talking about vaccines distribution for seniors. She shared that there is going to be a meeting called “Senior People with Disabilities on Climate Justices.” This meeting will go over the Federal and State Green New Deals and local Climate Coalition. This is going to help seniors with emergence preparedness and getting universal broadband for seniors. She shared that CARA sent a note about AB15 & 16, about evictions, to Assemblyman Choi. AB15 &16 is about senior affordable housing and the homelessness crisis. They are urging the passing of AB15 &16 which will shield Californians renter from potential displacement, protect public health, and add in our recovery. CARA is also working elder abuse prevention, PS338. There is a new office for Elder Justice Counsel in the Cabinet. They are working Medicare for all signal pair; they are petitioning the Governor for a waiver. They are trying to get funds for both IHSS and CalFresh.

Older Adult Housing Report: Eagleton

- **Buckley** shared that the Home Share Program is something that Area 4 was funding for the last fiscal year. Due to COVID the program was shelved, but there are still funds available for Placer County. This funding is for older adult home sharing. This is in the planning stages and if we have any questions, we can contact **Buckley**.
- **Eagleton** shared that Pro 19 pasted, which amended California Constitution. This changed the scema for older adults to exchange their homes. This benefits anyone that is over the age of 55, severely disabled, and are displaced by wildfires/nature disasters. Pro 19 will change Pro 13 by allowing a person to change in a home 3 times and keep the original property tax. The opposite side of Pro 19, if the property is gifted their children/grandchildren, the children/grandchildren will have to use the property as their primary resident to get to same low property tax. Pro 19 will take effect on 02/16/2021 but transfer must be recorded by 02/12/2021.

Older Adult Cultural Competency Report: Buckley

- **Buckley** shared that Area 4 has a Diversity Committee. They are trying to bring diversity into the Area Counsel and to ensure that programs have a cultural competency component. This is part of the RFP process to some extent. The work that is going on in the County itself, has been renamed to Placer READI for Race, Equity, Access, Diversity, and Inclusion. There is a growing number of people that are interested in collaborating in making our key attributes of the services we provide to make them more culturally competent. I will be sharing the Cultural Linguistics Plan, every County must have one, this Thursday at the Area 4 meeting.

- **Luce** recommended that we include two items to our presentation list: Justice in Ageing video from last Area 4 meeting and Implicit Bias.
- **Buckley** shared that the Workforce Education and Training Committee is part of the Counties CCW process and provides training to our community. These trainings ensure we have a competent workforce to address our lives. The Implicit Bias are coming up and there will be two levels. These classes will be available to the Placer County Staff and are open to the public.

Member Report: The following member report was offered.

Nevins shared that she is on a lot of committees in multiple counties. You can glean information from other counties that can be used here in Placer. Regarding meeting/activities that I have taken part in that furthered the mission of the OAAC, they are the subcommittee on the Master Plan on Ageing, Town Hall meeting for Ageing in Placer County, belongs to 100+ Women that Care in Placer County, Place Community foundation forum: The Determines of Health, and varies other committees. Regarding the unmet needs in Placer County for older adults; ever since the Tiles 3B funds are no longer available in Placer County, there has been a service gap. For example, with Del Ore (the company she works for), if there is a signal adult without an identified care giver, Del Ore cannot support them. These clients may not be low income and may not be eligible to MSSP. We have found that a lot of the counselor/therapists that we contract with, in all Counties, are not taking new paints at this time. This indicates that demand is high, may be due to the pandemic. Regarding the highlights, this is not necessary a positive one, due to current political climate, natural disaster, and the pandemic, our clients are more in need of service and contact.

Moore shared regarding meeting/activities that I have taken part in that furthered the mission of the OAAC, a participation member of CARA and a participation member of CSCA Retiaries. Regarding the unmet needs in Placer County for older adults is the need to identify those isolated older adults that desire social, mental, and physical wellness checks. The isolation has increased due to the pandemic. Regarding the highlights, at the beginning of the COVID 19 shutdown, I was a voice that expressed concern at the Board of Supervisors meeting regarding the emergency care and basic needs of older adults that are now further isolated. I expressed the need to rally the younger generations to assist with the earns service that are needed. My propose was also presented to the Roseville City Council, which was adjusted and now implemented.

Member Announcements:

- **Eagleton** announced that on 02/05/2021, Placer County Superior Court and the Placer Bar Association is putting on a Probate Workshop. It will provide free legal

advice and help with simple appointments thought probate court. Also, on 03/19/2021 the Alzheimer's Association of Northern California is putting on a webinar relating to legal and financial planning. You can also receive some free legal help.

- **Smith** suggested the that we have some with Golden Mobile Home 25year lessees (rent control). **Brewer** would have an employee that would like to attend and assist. **Eagleton** would like to work in conjunction with this as well.
- **Brewer** asked, "When the Senior Peer Consoling Program is going to go through it's changes?" **Hytoff** stated that is happing as was speak. We are in the process of creating a contract with a vendor in the community and then it must go to the board for final approval. **Buckley** stated that it come to the Mental Health Board on 22nd and then the Board of Supervisors on 23rd. You can come to the Mental Health Board Meeting and voice any concerns.

Adjourn Meeting: A motion was made by **Luce** to adjourn the January 19, 2021 meeting and **Eagleton** seconded the motion. **The meeting was adjourned at 2:41 pm.**

Next Meeting

Date: February 16, 2021

Time: 1:00 PM to 3:00 PM

Virtual Meeting: Via Zoom