VENTURA COUNTY AREA AGENCY ON AGING
ADVISORY COUNCIL MEETING
July 13, 2022
9:00 a.m. to 11:00 am
Area Agency on Aging Advisory Council Center
646 County Square Drive, Ventura
https://us06web.zoom.us/j/88169383919

VCAAA Advisory Council Role – To provide leadership, input, and advocacy as facilitators between VCAAA and the community, in support of VCAAA’s mission.

VCAAA Role – VCAAA is the responsible agency to seek, serve, administer and manage available funding to ensure resources are allocated to serve Ventura County, creating integrated community-based services where older adults and people with disabilities can age in their community with dignity and respect.

A G E N D A

9:00 a.m. 1. Call to Order and Agenda Review Karen Gorback

2. Pledge of Allegiance William Nelson

3. Administering the Oath of Office Monique Nowlin

4. Approval of Area Agency on Aging Advisory Council Minutes of May 11, 2022 Karen Gorback

5. Public Comments

Procedure: The public is welcome to comments. All comments not related to items on the agenda may be made at the beginning of the meeting only. Comments are limited to three minutes per person.

6. Consent Agenda Items Karen Gorback

6.1 Housing Committee Report – May 17, 2022
6.2 Transportation Committee Report – May 31, 2022
6.3 Work Force Committee Report – May 26, 2022
6.4 Optimal Aging Committee Report – March 24, 2022
6.5 Optimal Aging Committee Report – May 25, 2022
DISCUSSION ITEMS/PRESENTATION/MOTION

7.1 Consider Adoption of a Resolution Authorizing Remote Staff Teleconference Meetings of the Advisory Council for a 30-Day Period Pursuant to Government Code Section 54953, Subdivision (e), of the Ralph M. Brown Act  
Karen Gorback

7.2 VCAAA Meal Program update  
Victoria Jump

7.3 Governor’s Budget Update – new investments for older adults  
Victoria Jump

7.4 Formation of committees - intergenerational meals and legal  
Victoria Jump

7.5 Review of ADRC Program Year to Date and Board Providing Direction for FY 2022-2023  
- End of Year Data Report  
- Discuss Proposed Goals  
Ben Rhodes

7.6 PIO Update  
Jannette Jauregui

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS

8. Meeting Calendar  
Karen Gorback

9. Committee Selection  
Karen Gorback

10. Other Committee Meetings:  
    a. California Senior Legislature Update  
    Gitt/Gorback/Guerra/Nowlin/Shapiro/Nowlin

    b. VCAAA Foundation Update  
    Karen Gorback

    c. LGBTQ Aging Coalition  
    Karen Gorback

    d. Dementia Friendly Ventura County  
    Karen Gorback

11. Comments from the Chair

12. Other Business  
Karen Gorback

11:00 am 13. Adjournment  
Karen Gorback

The next meeting will be:
Wednesday, September 14, 2022 (9:00 am – 11:00 am)
Via Zoom and in person

Individuals who require accommodations for their disabilities (including interpreters and alternate formats) are requested to contact the Area Agency on Aging staff at (805) 477-7300 at least three days prior to the meeting.
Call to Order and Agenda Review – The May 11, 2022, Advisory Council meeting was called to order at 9:18 am by Chair Karen Gorback.

Pledge of Allegiance – The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Alice Sweetland.

Approval of Area Agency on Aging Advisory Council Minutes of March 9, 2022 -

Motion: Approve
Moved by Alice Sweetland, seconded by Carol Martin

Result: Motion Passed

Public Comments – None
Procedure: The public is welcome to comments. All comments not related to items on the agenda may be made at the beginning of the meeting only. Comments are limited to three minutes per person.

5) Consent Agenda Items

5.1 Housing Committee Report from March 15, 2022
5.2 Transportation Committee Report from March 9, 2022
5.3 Nutrition and Health Committee Report from March 16, 2022
5.4 Workforce Committee Report from March 18, 2022

Motion: Approve all consent agenda items
Moved by Sue Tatangelo, seconded by Carol Martin

Result: Motion passed

DISCUSSION ITEMS/PRESENTATION/MOTION

6.1) Consider Adoption of a Resolution Authorizing Remote Staff Teleconference Meetings of the Advisory Council for a 30-Day Period Pursuant to Government Code Section 54953, Subdivision (e), of the Ralph M. Brown Act

Motion: Approve
Moved by Carol Martin, seconded by Sylvia Taylor-Stein

Result: Motion Passed

6.2) Election of Officers for FY 2022-2023; One Service Provider, and One Focused Population Veterans Representative for Two Year Terms Starting July 1, 2022, through June 30, 2024; and Reappointing Three California Senior Legislature Representatives for Four Year Terms Starting July 1, 2022, through June 30, 2026

Election of Officers for FY 2022-2023
Chair: Karen Gorback
Vice Chair: Martha Shapiro
Secretary: Bill Nelson

Election of Service Provider and Focused Population Veterans Representative
Service Provider: Jaydon Gaines - Independent Living Resource Center
Focused Population Veterans Representative: Reynoldo Rivera

Motion: Approve
Moved by Sue Tatangelo, seconded by Deirdre Daley

Result: Motion passed
Motion: Approve Karen Gorback, Rossanna Guerra and Tony Gitt as CSL representatives.
Moved by Sue Tatangelo, seconded by Martha Shapiro

Result: Motion passed

6.3) **Recommendation to Renew FY 2022-2023 Grantee/Contractor Funding and Related Service Categories Including Service Category Deviation Greater or Less than 10%**

Motion: Approve
Moved by Alice Sweetland, seconded by Carol Marin
Abstained: Sue Tatangelo, Sylvia Stein and Martha Shapiro

Result: Motion passed

6.4) **Ratification and Approval of the FY 2022-2023 Strategic Plan Update**

Motion: Approve
Moved by Carol Martin, seconded by Tony Gitt

Result: Motion passed

6.5) **Recommendation of the By-Laws Committee to Approve Changes to the VCAAA By-Laws and Forward to the Board of Supervisors for Approval**

Motion: Approve
Moved by Sue Tatangelo, seconded by Sylvia Stein

Result: Motion passed

6.6) **Recognition of Advisory Council Members Leaving the Council** – Monique Nowlin informed the committee of members leaving: John Gardner (2 terms), Sylvia Taylor-Stein (6 terms), Mike Williams (3 terms), Sandra Fide and Breeze Zuckerman.

6.7) **Review of ADRC Program Year to Date and Board Providing Direction for FY 2022-2023** – Ben Rhodes gave a PowerPoint presentation highlighting the Call Center data for FY 2021-2022. The call center received an approximate 22,850 calls with a contact marker. Most calls received were focused on Health/Medical, Financial Assistance, Transportation and Food. The committee is requesting a more in-depth analysis of the Call Center data presented at the July 13, 2022, Advisory Council meeting.

6.8) **PIO Update** – A presentation was made by Paul Morillo for [www.getsetup.org](http://www.getsetup.org). (Live interactive learning platform exclusively for older adults). Get Set Up is a grant funded organization offering no cost classes for older adults.
INFORMATIONAL ITEMS

7) **Other Committee Meetings**

   a. **California Senior Legislature Update** – Tony Gitt gave a report on the CSL Senior Rally Day hosted May 3, 2022. Key speakers were: Kim McCoy (Senior Advisor on Aging, Disability and Alzheimer’s, Governor’s Office), Susan Demarois (Director, California Department of Aging), Adam Willoughby (Assistant Director, Legislation and Public Affairs California Department of Aging), Mariya Kalina (Executive Director California Collaborative for LTSS). The presentation highlighted senior growth in California and 5 Year Master Plan on Aging.

   b. **VCAAA Foundation Update** – Monique Nowlin informed the committee that the Senior Nutrition Garden video is up on the VCAAA website. The Foundation Committee is also seeking to support funding a Memory Café in the 2022-2023 FY for older adults with dementia.

   c. **LGBTQ Aging Coalition** – Martha Shapiro did not have any updates for today’s meeting but is requesting 5 minutes for the July 13, 2022 Advisory Council meeting to provide updates.

   d. **Dementia Friendly Ventura County** – Haleh Hashemzadeh shared with the committee that the last meeting for Dementia Friendly was focused on Project Lifesaver and discussed the initial launch and scope of the program.

8) **Comments from the Chair** – Chair Gorback thanked the committee for their time and trust in the organization.

9) **Other Business** - None

10) **Adjournment** – The May 11, 2022, Advisory Council meeting was adjourned at 11:02 AM.
TO: VCAAA Advisory Council Members
FROM: Martha Shapiro, Committee Chair
DATE: May 17, 2022
SUBJECT: Housing Committee Report from May 17, 2022

Housing Committee Members Present:
Stephanie Belding (Thousand Oaks COA) Bill Nugent (Ojai COA)
Rossanna Guerra (CSL) Martha Shapiro (Service Provider)

Housing Committee Members Absent:
Deirdre Daly (Ojai COA) Peter Schreiner (Focused Population)

VCAAA Staff Members Present:
Monique Nowlin (Deputy Director)
Ben Rhodes (Direct Program Operations Manager)
Sonia Vaughn (Call Center Manager)
Rene Verduzco (Management Assistant)

1. Welcome and Introductions – The meeting was called to order at 2:02 pm by Chair Shapiro. Introductions were made by Rene Verduzco, Martha Shapiro and Stephanie Belding.

2. Public Comments – Stephanie Belding shared the AARP Roadmap to Livability Housing Workbook. The committee agreed to adopt the Housing Workbook as a guide for committee goals. No other public comments.

3. Home Share Update – Ben Rhodes shared with the committee that the application for Home Share has been streamlined to be less labor intensive with the goal to make matching quicker. Ben and Sonia are working to assign a single staff member to centralize the Home Share program. Monique Nowlin reminded the committee that Home Share will now be a standing agenda item for the Housing Committee.

4. Committee Goals Discussion – Chair Shapiro shared her experience with older adults being evicted, with income that is not sufficient for current market rate housing. Chair Shapiro is proposing to create a county position for a single resource coordinator for older adult housing.

5. Next Meeting Date – July 19, 2022, from 2 pm to 3 pm.

6. Adjournment - Meeting adjourned at 3:01 PM.
Transportation Committee Members Present:

Tony Gitt (CSL)
Carol Martin (Chair) (Simi Valley COA)
Clark Owens (Oxnard COA)

Transportation Committee Members Absent:

Jeanette Sanchez-Palacios (BOS)

VCAAA Staff Members Present:

Monique Nowlin (Deputy Director)
Ben Rhodes (Direct Program Operations Manager)
Jason Sagar (Transportation & Elder Help Coordinator)
Rene Verduzco (Management Assistant)

1. Welcome and Introductions – Meeting was called to order at 3:02 pm. No introductions were made.

2. Public Comments – None.


4. Transportation Program Training Video Update – Jannette Jauregui shared the agency Medi-Ride training video that will be displayed on the VCAAA website. The committee opted to add in the phone in option to apply for Medi-Ride.

5. Transportation to Voting Sites Discussion – The Advisory Committee will be partnering with the Ventura County Recorder’s Voting Accessibility Advisory Committee to provide transportation to voting sites for the next large election.

6. Ventura County Comprehensive Transportation Plan Survey and Walk Audits – Monique reminded the committee that it is not to late to complete the survey for Padilla and Associates regarding the VC Comprehensive Transportation Plan Survey and Walk Audits. Survey Monkey link provided to the committee by Jannette Jauregui.

7. Future Committee Goals Discussion – Monique opened the floor to suggestions for committee goals that have not already been addressed. Tony Gitt would like to receive statistical reports before the committee meetings to allow time for review.
8. **Next Meeting Date** – Meeting was adjourned at 3:02 pm. The next Transportation Committee meeting will be on July 13, 2022, immediately after Advisory Council Meeting.
TO: VCAAA Advisory Council Members

FROM: Karen Gorback, Committee Chair

DATE: May 26, 2022

SUBJECT: Workforce Committee Report from May 26, 2022

Committee Members Present
Loretta Allen (Thousand Oaks COA)              Carol Leish (Focused Population)
Stephanie Belding (Thousand Oaks COA)         William Nelson (Ventura COA)
Karen Gorback (CSL)

VCAAA Staff Present
Jannette Jauregui (Public Information Officer) Rene Verduzco (Management Assistant)
Monique Nowlin (Director)

1. Welcome and Introductions – Meeting was called to order at 10:03 am. No introductions were made.

2. Public Comments – No public comments.

3. Get That Job Update – Karen Gorback and Jannette Jauregui gave feedback on the Get That Job video. The committee agreed to edit the video to shorten the length of the video.

4. Next Steps – Outreach Discussion – Karen started the discussion by sharing her thoughts on the relevancy of the content creation aspect of the Workforce Committee. Loretta Allena and Karen would like to focus more of the committee goals towards services and resources rather than content creation. Stephanie would like to promote more businesses that hire older adults and LGBTQ older adults and referenced retirement.com as well as AARP.

5. Future Committee Goals Discussion – Phase 1, each committee member is to bring an online web link to the next meeting that has been vetted as a resource that offers employment to older adults. Phase 2, coordinate with Jannette Jauregui to add vetted websites to VCAAA Workforce Committee webpage. Phase 3, reach out to local businesses that are known for hiring younger people and share with them the benefits to hiring older adults and having a generational staff.

6. Next Meeting Date – The next Workforce Committee will be held on July 15, 2022.

7. Adjournment - Meeting was adjourned at 10:39 am.
TO: VCAA Advisory Council Members

FROM: Jannette Jauregui, VCAA Staff

DATE: March 24, 2022

SUBJECT: Optimal Aging Committee Report from March 24, 2022

Committee Members Present
Stephanie Belding (Thousand Oaks COA)
Rossanna Guerra (CSL)
Carol Leish (Focused Population)
Alice Sweetland (Oxnard COA)
Sylvia Taylor-Stein (Focused Population)

Committee Members Absent
Loretta Allen (Thousand Oaks COA)
Ron Berkowsky (Focused Population)
Allen Zatkin (Camarillo COA)
Breeze Zuckerman (Moorpark COA)

VCAA Staff Present
Jannette Jauregui (Public Information Officer)

- **Call to Order** – The meeting was called to order via Zoom at 2:03 p.m.

- **Welcome and Introductions** – The committee welcomed one another. There were no guests in attendance.

- **Public Comments** – Sylvia Taylor-Stein announced an upcoming presentation/training on Autonomy vs. Safety offered by the Ventura County Ombudsman.

- **Implementation of Goals: Scheduling Creative Presentations** – The committee discussed possible guest artists, musicians, and writers to present as part of the new VCAA Engage Series of Creative Workshops. These workshops will include a brief opening presentation from either Jannette Jauregui or a member of the Optimal Aging Committee focusing on services offered through the VCAA and will be followed by the guest presenter for the event. Jannette is working with each committee member to schedule the following initial line-up of presentations:
1. Art Workshop by Martha Jimenez: Oxnard (Wilson) Senior Center
2. Creative Writing Workshop by Karen Gorback: Goebel Center
3. Musical Performance by the Tune Bandits: Ventura Active Adult Center
4. Musical/Art Performance: Santa Paula Senior Center
5. CSUCI Performing Arts Program: Location TBD

- **Additional Projects: Companion program and school presentations** – Jannette updated the committee regarding a discussion with VCAAA Deputy Director, Monique Nowlin, about including the Optimal Aging Committee in efforts to reinstate the “VCAAA Companion Program” in which older adults are paired with a younger individual to help combat isolation and loneliness in addition to having members of the Optimal Aging Committee present to local schools about the work the VCAAA does. The committee was excited about this and looks forward to updates once available.

- **2022 LEGACY Awards** – The committee will further review the award guidelines and nomination form at the May meeting to prepare for June distribution.

- **Other Committee Involvement/Notification** – None discussed.

- **Next Meeting Schedule** – The next scheduled meeting is May 25th at 2 p.m.

- **Adjournment** – The meeting was adjourned at 2:54 p.m. by chair, Alice Sweetland.
TO: VCAAA Advisory Council Members
FROM: Jannette Jauregui, VCAAA Staff
DATE: June 15, 2022
SUBJECT: Optimal Aging Committee Report from May 25, 2022

Committee Members Present
Loretta Allen (Thousand Oaks COA)
Stephanie Belding (Thousand Oaks COA)
Rossanna Guerra (CSL)
Carol Leish (Focused Population)
Alice Sweetland (Oxnard COA)
Sylvia Taylor-Stein (Focused Population)

Committee Members Absent
Ron Berkowsky (Focused Population)
Allen Zatkin (Camarillo COA)

VCAAA Staff Present
Jannette Jauregui (Public Information Officer)

- **Call to Order** – The meeting was called to order via Zoom at 2:05 p.m.
- **Welcome and Introductions** – The committee welcomed one another. There were no guests in attendance.
- **Public Comments** – There were no public comments.
- **VCAAA Optimal Aging Community Presentations** – Scheduling events with local community centers/senior centers has been challenging. The committee discussed the idea to host both virtual/pre-recorded and in-person events to be more flexible. Presentations will vary in focus (art demonstrations, creative writing workshops, musical presentations, educational lectures, etc.). Each presentation will open with a brief presentation focusing on VCAAA programs and services given by either a member of the Optimal Aging Committee or by Jannette Jauregui (depending on availability). All presentations are designed to focus on topics to improve engagement and quality of life. The first presentation is tentatively scheduled for late July and will be in person. Committee members will be asked to reach out to possible venues in their community to solidify future presentations.
• **Review of Legacy Award Nomination Packet** – The committee reviewed the existing nomination packet and discussed award categories. Concern was expressed regarding categories that might focus too heavily on specific populations thus becoming exclusive rather than inclusive. Alice Sweetland reiterated that the awards were initially developed to acknowledge the unsung heroes in the older adult community in Ventura County with an added focus on local businesses. The committee agreed to send final notes to Jannette so that she can finalize this year’s nomination packet prior to distribution in July.

• **Other Committee Involvement/Notification** – None discussed.

• **Next Meeting Schedule** – The next scheduled meeting is July 27th at 2 p.m.

• **Adjournment** – The meeting was adjourned at 2:58 p.m. by chair, Alice Sweetland.
VENTURA COUNTY AREA AGENCY ON AGING
ADVISORY COUNCIL MEETING SCHEDULE
FY 2022-2023

All meetings are being held via zoom and in person until further notice.

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New Member Orientation will be held on the 2nd Wednesday of (Aug, Oct, Dec, Feb, Apr, Jun) from 12 p.m. – 1:30 p.m. via Zoom. Please email rene.verduzco@ventura.org for the registration link.
2022-2023 COMMITTEE PREFERENCE

Name: __________________________________________________________

Current Advisory Council by-laws call for all council members to participate on committees in order to stay better informed as to the needs of older adults and persons with disabilities. Please select your committee preferences for FY 2022-2023 and return to the VCAAA by July 12, 2022. You may continue with your present choice and add or change to another choice.

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Please note that if you are part of Dementia Friendly Ventura County, LGBTQ+ Aging Coalition or a member of the VCAAA Foundation your membership will be listed on the committee roster.