

Advisory Council on Aging
August 4, 2026 Meeting Agenda
10:00 – 12:00

601 Texas Street, County Events Center, Room B, Fairfield, CA 94533

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AGENDA

August 4, 2026

CALL TO ORDER – 10:00 a.m. Riitta DeAnda, Chair

1. **WELCOME AND INTRODUCTIONS BY MEMBERS AND NEW MEMBERS:** Riitta DeAnda

2. **COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC**

This is your opportunity to address the Advisory Council on a matter not on the Agenda, but it must be within the subject matter jurisdiction of the ACOA. Please limit comments to three minutes. Items from the public will be taken under consideration without discussion by the Advisory Council and may be referred to staff.

3. **APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA / APPROVAL OF THE DRAFT MINUTES**

4. **PRESENTATION – Napa Solano Area Agency on Aging Overview** - Gwendolyn Gill, Interim Executive Director N/S AAA / Health Services Administrator Solano County Older & Disabled Adult Services

5. **REPORTS:**

- **Executive Committee:** Riitta DeAnda
- **AAA:** Gwendolyn Gill
 - Staff Report
- **AgeWell:** Committee
- **Outreach:** Olga Curtright and Cathy Wagner

6. **NEW BUSINESS:**

- **Onboarding Process Update**
 - Updating Onboarding Material
 - Mentoring
 - In-Person Onboarding Session

7. **OLD BUSINESS**

8. **ADJOURN 12:00 to next meeting September 1, 2026** - 650 Imperial Way, First Floor, Napa, CA 94558.

Advisory Council on Aging June 2, 2026 Meeting Minutes

CALL TO ORDER – 10:00 a.m.

- 1. WELCOME AND INTRODUCTIONS** Members and guests introduced themselves as part of roll call. Olga Curtright gave special recognition to Elizabeth Murphy who is turning 95.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Riitta DeAnda, Chair; Olga Curtright, Vice Chair; Susan Ensey, Secretary; Richard White, Past Chair; Lynne Baker; Linda Chandler; Linda Giglio; Michelle Marin; Elizabeth Murphy; Anne Payne; Cathy Wagner; Neil Watter; Alan Werblin; Fern Yaffa.

ABSENT: Fran Rosenberg; Sandy Stevens.

AAA STAFF PRESENT: Gwendolyn Gill; Ashley Cumpas; Ocie Stewart.

GUESTS: Alex Gonzalez, candidate for ACOA; Tracee Stacy; Cindy Tierney Panganiban, candidate for ACOA; Mel-Veal Preimesberger, candidate for CSL Assembly Member; Michael Ramirez; Denise Walker, Meals on Wheels.
- 2. COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC:** Tracee Stacy voiced concerns about the shifts in funding which will impact important services and organizations supporting seniors.
- 3. APPROVAL OF AGENDA / APPROVAL OF MINUTES:** Motion by Richard White to approve the Agenda; Seconded by Olga Curtright; Approved. Motion by Anne Payne to approve the Minutes; Seconded by Elizabeth Murphy; Approved.
- 4. ELECTION OF OFFICERS:** Riitta DeAnda reviewed the slate: Riitta DeAnda, Chair; Olga Curtright, Vice Chair; and Anne Payne, Secretary. No nominations were made from the floor.

ACTION ITEM: The slate received unanimous approval.
- 5. CALIFORNIA SENIOR LEGISLATORS:** The two candidates for Assembly Member, Richard White and Mel-Veal Preimesberger gave short presentations. The one Senator candidate, Yvonne Baginski, was not present. Riitta DeAnda led confidential voting for the Assembly position and Richard White was selected.

ACTION ITEM: Motion to approve Richard White as Assembly Member by Lynne Baker; Seconded by Olga Curtright; Approved. Motion to approve Yvonne Baginski as Senator by Neil Watter; Seconded by Richard White; Approved.
- 6. GUEST SPEAKER:** Denise Walker, Operations and Finance Director, Meals on Wheels for Sonoma County provided an overview of the organization and services.

7. **RECRUITMENT:** Olga Curtright led a summary of the recommended candidates:

- **Solano County: Regular Members:** Sandy Stevens, Gerald Huber, Alexandra (Alex) Gonzalez. **Alternate Members:** Cindy Tierney Panganiban, Aubrey de Castro
- **Napa County: Regular Members:** Mark Frankenstein, Michael O'Connell. **Alternate Member:** Gigi Gonzales

ACTION ITEM: Motion by Susan Ensey to approve the eight candidates recommended for membership by the recruitment committee; Seconded by; Neil Watter; Approved.

8. **REPORTS:**

- **Executive Committee:** The group discussed the number of meetings per year and the outcome was to continue the current calendar with nine meetings per year.
- **AAA Report:** Gwendolyn Gill referred to her written report.
- **AgeWell:** Lynne Baker reminded members the next due date is June 10.
- **Outreach:** Olga Curtright encouraged participation in upcoming tabling events. Cathy Wagner reviewed possible events in Napa.
- **Legislative Update and CSL:** Richard White referenced his written report. Richard highlighted SB417, the housing bill which is moving forward.

9. **NEW BUSINESS**

- Members will be invited to a virtual meeting in July to plan orientation and materials for new members.
- Gwendolyn Gill requested more time at the next meeting for the AAA report and to discuss how members view the transition of AAA support following Elaine Clark.

10. **OLD BUSINESS**

11. Motion to Adjourn by Alan Werblin; Seconded by Richard White; Approved.

ADJOURNED 12:16 to next meeting August 4, 2026 – 675 Texas Street, County Events Center, Room B, Fairfield, CA 94533.

ACTION ITEMS:

- **Approved Officers for 26/27:** Riitta DeAnda, Chair; Olga Curtright, Vice Chair; Anne Payne, Secretary.
- **Approved California Senior Legislators for 26/27:** Richard White, Assembly Member; Yvonne Baginski, Senator.
- **Approved New ACOA Members:** **Solano County: Regular Members:** Sandy Stevens, Gerald Huber, Alexandra (Alex) Gonzalez. **Alternate Members:** Cindy Tierney Panganiban, Aubrey de Castro. **Napa County: Regular Members:** Mark Frankenstein, Michael O'Connell. **Alternate Member:** Gigi Gonzales

ACOA Staff Report

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New N/S AAA Staff Member – Isabel Devoy, Office Assistant II - fulfilling Kobie Good's former role of offering administrative support.

Events

Fall Prevention – September 21-25, 2026

- This is a good opportunity all ACOA committee members to be present at these presentations in Napa or Solano Counties. It is a great time for visibility and advocacy. Fall Prevention is one of our key programs in the N/S AAA.

Master Plan on Aging

- **Napa County** – There is an MPA Task Force that includes older and disabled adult service providers from across the community. Usually, updates are provided at the Napa Commission on Aging and during the Healthy Aging Population Initiative meetings.
- **Solano County** – There is a workgroup of community service providers and residents who meet monthly, receive assignments and support implementation about the MPAD (Master Plan on Aging and Disabilities). An outreach mailer will be ready for distribution in late August 2026.

Services and Contracts

2026 Seniors Farmers' Market Nutrition Program

- Farmers' Market Cards (pre-loaded \$50 cards) were distributed to Community Action Napa Valley (143 cards) and Food Bank Contra Costa Solano (408 cards) to distribute to eligible seniors. The goal is to provide limited-income seniors with access to locally grown fruits, vegetables, honey and herbs. The Food Bank has distributed 110 of the 408 cards. CANV has distributed 123 of the 143 cards.

2026 Resource Guides

- This is a reminder that these are available through the ADRC in each county. ACOA members can coordinate pick up with the ADRC staff. Both updated guides have been posted to the [Solano Resources](#) and [Napa Resources](#) pages on the NSAAA website www.aaans.org. Brown Miller (consultant) develops these guides.

- **Area Plan and ADRC Contracts** – These were reviewed and approved by the Solano County Board of Supervisors and the Napa Solano Oversight Board.

Aging Disability Resource Connection (ADRC) –

- Both Connections Napa County and the Solano ADRC are submitting reports to CDA for FY 25-26 activities and accomplishments. Discuss Annual reports that were submitted.
- **Connections Napa County ADRC.** [Connections Napa County – ADRC Napa County.](#)
- **Solano ADRC.** [Solano County - ADRC](#)

Meetings

N/S AAA Oversight Board Meeting – July 6, 2026

Our fiscal team provided updates on service provider spending allocations and deliverables performance for FY 25-26 as of May 31, 2026. Program team members presented the contract allocations for all service providers for FY 26-27. Over 98% of the state allocation for services had been spent..

N/S AAA Virtual Service Provider Orientation – Held July 8, 2026 10:00- 12:00 pm

Our program, fiscal team and service providers met about contracts, fiscal deliverables, and other administrative matters. Some ACOA members attended as well. Service providers requested a second session – in person- in February 2027!

Senate Bill 707 - Update on Brown Act

- Our meeting rooms in Napa and Solano Counties have video-conferencing capabilities. Our meetings can be hybrid meetings – both in person and virtually. Please contact our Office Assistant Isabel Devoy by email 3-5 days before the ACOA meeting so we can send you a link for remote access.

Community Outreach

- We are still posting on Facebook and Instagram messages about caregiver resources and directing individuals to our NSAAA website. No Interns
- Our communications consultant Brown-Miller supports resource guides, postcards, flyers, and magnets for distribution at community events.

AgeWell Newsletter

- AgeWell Newsletter was sent out on **July 1, 2026**. If you are not receiving the AgeWell Newsletter regularly, please sign up on the www.aaans.org website under the AgeWell tab.

N/S AAA Staffing Update

- **Executive Director Vacancy** – Currently, this position is in pending review status. Gwendolyn Gill will continue to serve as the Interim Director.



Advisory Council Roster and Attendance

Regular Members

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INTERNAL CALENDAR - Napa / Solano Advisory Council on Aging - FY 26/27

Updated 06/08/26

Month	Meetings / Membership	Calendar of Events	Project & Advocacy Milestones	Key AAA / Contract Activities
JUL	-Officers begin terms Riitta DeAnda, Chair; Olga Curtright, Vice Chair; Anne Payne, Secretary. -Recess of regular meeting. -Special virtual meeting to plan new member orientation, 1PM, 7/21.		- <i>Agewell</i> published. -Quarterly Report.	-Master Plan on Aging: Napa has a task force gathering updates on progress; Solano continues monthly service providers workgroup. -For FY 26/27 \$3.7M for 22 contracts, and \$579K for 2 nutrition contracts. -Service provider meeting, 10-12, 7/8.
AUG	-Solano -Welcome new council members:	-Senior Health Fair, Joseph Nelson Comm. Ctr., 611 Village Dr., Suisun, 9-12, 8/27. .		
SEP	-Napa	-Fall Prevention Month. -Airport Day, Rio Vista Airport,, 3000 Baumann Rd. 9-2, 9/12,	- <i>Agewell</i> articles due 9/10.	
OCT	-Solano	-Emergency Preparedness Month. -Ageism Awareness Day.		
NOV	-Napa	-Dia De Los Muertos 11/1. -California Alzheimer's Awareness & Family Caregivers Month.		
DEC	-Recess of regular meeting.	-Resource Fair, Molly's Angels Senior Luncheon, Elks Lodge, 2840 Soscol Ave, 11:30-2PM, ____.	- <i>Agewell</i> articles due 12/10.	
JAN	-Napa	-Martin Luther King Jr. Day, 1/19.	- <i>Agewell</i> published 1/15. -Quarterly Report.	

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FEB	-Solano -Review Officer Nomination process.			
MAR	-Napa -Form Officer Nomination Committee.	-March for Meals.		-Work on Area Plan update.
APR	-Solano -Presentation of Slate of Officers. -Presentation of Area Plan Update.	-Community Forums to present 2026 Area Plan Updates.	-Agewell published 4/15. -Quarterly Report.	-2026 Area Plan Update presentations.
MAY	-Recess of regular meeting. -Members attend CSL Virtual Rally Day.	-Older Americans Month.		-Submit Area Plan Update 5/1.
JUN	-Solano -Election of Officers	-Gay Pride Month. -Elder Abuse Awareness 6/15. -SAFE Conference, Napa Valley College.	-Agewell articles due 6/10 -Plan 2027/28 ACOA calendar of events.	-Review 26/27 provider contracts with council.

Ongoing Monthly Meetings:

- **Vallejo Senior Roundtable**, Florence Douglas Ctr, Vallejo 1:30-3:00, 1st Monday/month.
- **HAPI, (Healthy Aging Population Initiative - Napa)**, Zoom, 11:00-12:00, 2nd Wednesday/month: Contact dsmith@mollysangels.com
- **Napa County Commission on Aging**, In-person and Zoom, 2:00-4:00, 4th Monday/month, countyofnapa.org/1000/Commission-on-Aging