

NAPA/SOLANO AREA AGENCY ON AGING



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Mission Statement

The mission of the Napa/Solano Area Agency on Aging is to advocate for and enhance the quality of life, health, independence, and dignity of older adults in Napa and Solano counties.

Priorities

The Napa/Solano Area Agency on Aging (N/S AAA) is a Joint Exercise of Powers Agreement between Napa County and Solano County, designated as Planning and Service Area (PSA) 28. The Solano County Department of Health and Social Services provides the staffing and organizational infrastructure for the AAA.

Total older adult population increased in Napa and Solano counties by 11,906 individuals from the prior year, an over 8% increase from the prior year.

60+ 152,639 (California Department of Aging, 3/2022).

- Napa 39,362
- Solano 113,277

For FY 22-23, the California Department of Aging intrastate funding formula of March 3, 2022 specified Napa County contracts should receive 25.79% and Solano County contracts should receive 74.21% of the total AAA funding.

Community surveys and focus groups indicate similar needs among older adults living in the two counties. Both counties include rural areas lacking adequate transportation alternatives, and the need for disaster response/emergency preparedness. Both counties have economically, racially, and ethnically diverse populations. There is an increased need for housing support, affordable housing, and elder abuse prevention.

Priorities, continued

Top Five Needs Identified for Napa and Solano Counties

County of Napa	County of Solano
1 Transportation provision or assistance	1 Transportation provision or assistance
2 Home-delivered meals	2 Senior center activities
3 Assistance in locating housing	3 Home-delivered meals
4 Cash/material aid	4 Education on senior topics and help linking to available resources
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Area Plan Goals

The priorities for FY22-23 remain the same as in prior years of the Area Plan. Due to COVID 19 pandemic, several objectives have been modified to reflect restrictions to in-person service delivery and reduced capacity for service delivery. The AAA has built on the opportunities presented through federal OARR (Older Adult Recovery and Resilience) and ARPA (American Rescue Plan Act) funding and increases in State-funded services.

Goal 1: Increase awareness of resources and access to services and supports for older adults and family caregivers.

Goal 2: Enhance safety, physical and mental health and wellbeing of older adults and family caregivers through coordinated long-term services and supports (LTSS) emphasizing livable communities and healthy aging.

Goal 3: Establish partnerships with service providers, local agencies, elected officials, and stakeholders to promote collaboration and advocacy for increased countywide and cross-county resources to address the needs of older adults and their family caregivers.

Goal 4: Expand services to underserved, at risk older adult populations and their caregivers through focused services and supports.

Funding

The AAA Budget allocation for FY 22-23 is \$ 3,742,994. Federal Older Adult Recovery and Resilience (OARR) funding totals \$230,800 for Fall Prevention to be expended by March 31, 2024. American Rescue Plan Act funding totals \$2,040,390 must be spent by September 30, 2024. The proposed State budget includes increases in funding for AAA services which will be added to the local budget total, if approved.

CDA determines the Intrastate Funding Formula each year for all Planning and Service Areas (PSA) throughout the state. The formula for FY22-23 determines Napa County is entitled to 25.79% of the N/S AAA budget and Solano County is entitled to 74.21%.

AAA Funded Services

<i>Alzheimer’s Association Family Caregiver</i>
<i>Benicia Family Resource Center Cash-Aid/Material Assistance</i>
<i>Collabria Care Family Caregiver, Respite Care, I&A, Outreach, Caregiver Registry, Case Management, Elder Abuse Prevention</i>
<i>Community Action Napa Valley Supportive Services, Senior Meals</i>
<i>Empowered Aging Ombudsman; Telephone Reassurance</i>
<i>Faith in Action Transportation</i>
<i>Food Bank of Contra Costa and Solano Supportive Services, Cash-Aid and Material Assistance</i>
<i>Innovative Health Solutions Grandparents Support, Health Promotion, CalFresh Healthy Living</i>
<i>Legal Services of Northern CA Senior Legal Services</i>
<i>Meals on Wheels Solano Senior Meals; I&A/Case Management; Fall Prevention</i>
<i>Molly’s Angels Transportation, Friendly Visiting, Ombudsman,</i>
<i>Redwood Caregiver Resource Center Family Caregiver</i>
<i>Share the Care Napa Valley Fall Prevention</i>
<i>Solano Pride I&A, Outreach, Telephone Reassurance</i>

AAA Funded Services, continued

The AAA continues to expand critical services to older adults through adding service categories with existing providers and contracts with new service providers. The AAA conducts RFP for services that are new or to replace service providers no longer offering AAA programs.

Accomplishments

The AAA expanded contracts with increased funding for local community-based organizations.
The AAA advocated for seniors in Disaster Response by providing an emergency kit containing a 4-day supply of food, water, and other supplies.
The AAA and ILC were designated by the California Department of Aging as an emerging ADRC (Aging and Disability Resource Connection).
The AAA partnered to establish a new evidence-based exercise and nutrition program expanding options for health promotion.
The AAA received ARPA (American Rescue Plan Act) funding is distributing those funds to local service providers to address critical needs of older adults and caregivers.
The AAA is expanding the Health RX program to provide medically tailored meals to seniors living in low-income housing.
The AAA increased community awareness by distributing a quarterly newsletter, expanding website resource listings in multiple languages, and printing the Resource Guides in English and Spanish.
The AAA is leading the local Master Plan for Aging implementation in both counties.

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