







Disability & Aging Community Living Advisory Committee (DACLAC)

June 7, 2023 | 10:00am - 1:00pm



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Welcome

Susan DeMarois

Director, California Department of Aging DACLAC State Chair

June Celebrations









Supporting Older Adults and People with Disabilities

Home and Community-Based Services

Gap Analysis and Roadmap initiative

No Wrong Door

Aging and Disability Resource Connections (ADRC)

Elevating Older Adult Behavioral Health (OABH)

- \$20M in grants with the Mental Health Services Oversight & Accountability Commission to fund OABH programs
- Four Regional OABH Roundtables
- May Revise includes \$50M for OABH
- Bridge to Recovery Grant Program





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Welcome



Kristin Rains, MSW

Aging Inclusion Specialist California Department of Developmental Services





Thank you to all Members for serving their two-year term on the DACLAC!

- CDA will begin recruitment for the 2023-2024 term.
- Application and supporting materials will be released in late June/early July.
- Current members are encouraged to apply.
- The 2023-2024 Committee members will be welcomed at the October 11, 2023 meeting.



Amanda Lawrence MPA Project Director California Department of Aging

Local Aging & Disability Action Planning Grant Program

- <u>\$4.5 million</u> one-time funding to provide competitive grants to support local communities in developing aging- and disability-friendly action plans.
- Grant Program Priorities
 - Equity, cultural competency & community engagement principles and practices.
 - Support communities and populations that have been historically under-resourced and under-served.
- 15 First Round Awardees (~\$3 million)
- Second Round Request for Applications (RFA) will open Summer 2023
- Technical assistance and program evaluation in partnership with University of California, Davis
- Grant Program Webpage



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Local Aging & Disability Action Planning Grant Program

Round One Awardees

- Alliance on Aging (Salinas, Monterey Co.)
- City of Azusa (Los Angeles Co.)
- City of La Puente (Los Angeles Co.)
- County of San Luis Obispo
- Disability Action Center (Butte, Glenn, Shasta Co.)
- Independent Living Resource Center (Santa Barbara)
- Inland Caregiver Resource Center (Riverside & San Bernardino)
- Los Altos Mountain View Community (Santa Clara)

Local Aging & Disability Action Planning Grant Program

Round One Awardees (continued)

- Madera County
- Marin Aging & Disability Institute (San Anselmo, Marin Co.)
- Sacramento County Dept. of Child, Family & Adult Services
- Seniors Council of Santa Cruz & San Benito
- Sonoma County Human Services Department, Area Agency on Aging
- Solano County Older Adults & Disabled Adults Services
- Stanislaus County Community Services Agency

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Eric Harris, Disability Rights California DACLAC Stakeholder Co-Chair

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Meeting Agenda



- 10:25am 11:25am: Learning from the Locals Older Adult Shallow Rental Subsidies (60 minutes)
- 11:25am 11:30am: Public Comment (10 minutes)
- 11:35am 11:50am: Break (15 minutes)
- 11:50am 12:15pm: Updates: Home and Community-Based Services (HCBS) Statewide Transition Plan and Gap Analysis Initiative (25 minutes)
- 12:15pm 12:45pm: DACLAC Subcommittee Updates: Transportation & Housing (30 minutes)
- 12:45pm 12:55pm: Public Comment (10 minutes)
- 12:55pm 1:00pm: Closing

Housing for Older Adults and People with Disabilities



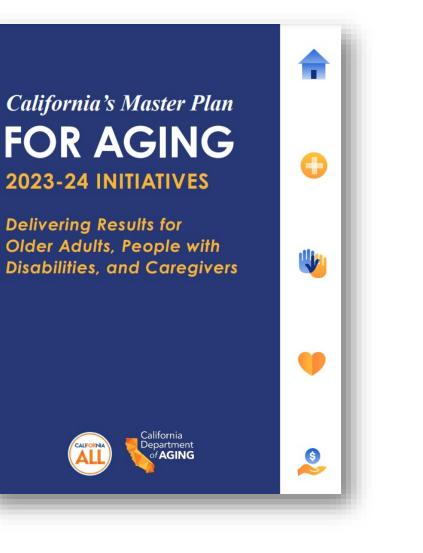


Learning from the Locals Older Adult Shallow Rental Subsidies

- **Patti Prunhuber**, Justice in Aging; DACLAC Stakeholder Co-Chair
- Hannah Brady, Deputy Executive Director, Senior Advocacy Network (Stanislaus)
- **Melinda Forstey**, Chief Operating Officer, Serving Seniors (San Diego)
- **Susan Philip**, Deputy Director, Health Care Delivery Systems, Department of Health Care Services

2023 - 2024 Master Plan for Aging Initiatives





Goal One: Housing for All Ages & Stages Strategy A: More Housing Options

Initiatives

Initiative 1: Increase the supply of climate-friendly, affordable rental and homeownership opportunities for older adults and people with disabilities through streamlining of local, state, and federal funding.

Initiative 2: Explore emerging local government models to inform consideration of Rental Subsidy Programs for older adults and people with disabilities. Identify existing program parameters including subsidy amount, duration, eligibility criteria, and priority populations.

Initiative 3: Address the housing needs of older adults and people with disabilities by promoting statewide access to integrated models, including connections to social services, healthcare, housing, and home and community-based services, e.g., Community Care Expansion, Healthier at Home, and others in support of Californians remaining in their own homes and communities.

Initiative 4: Implement the Veterans Support of Self-Reliance pilot program to provide enhanced supportive services for veterans aged 55 and over who reside in permanent supportive housing.

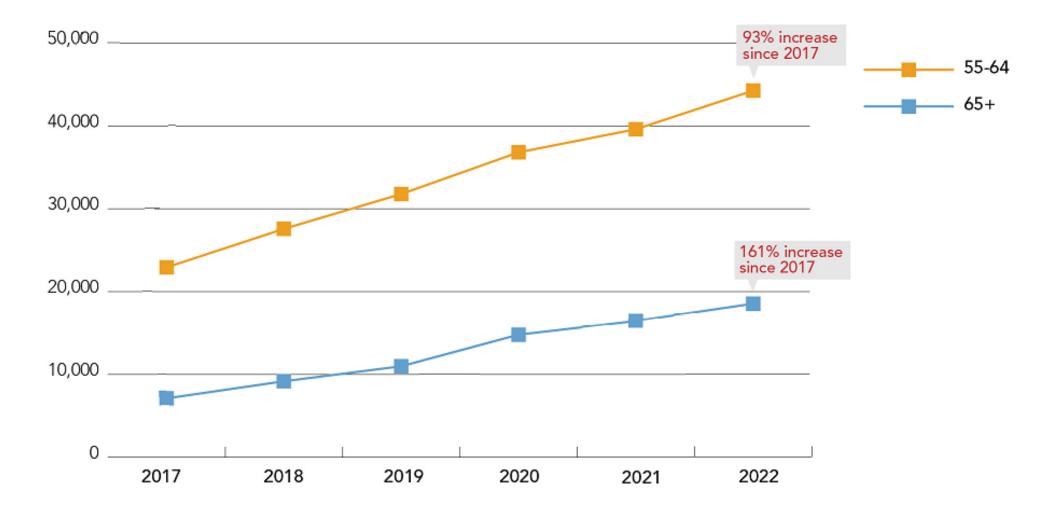
Initiative 5: Identify barriers to the production of Accessory Dwelling Units (ADUs) and assess opportunities for local, state, and federal action to continue delivering on opportunities to increase housing production, including ADUs.

Initiative 6: Analyze expenditures from California's housing finance programs to determine impact on older adults and people with disabilities and the extent to which the programs have benefitted this population.

Older Adult Homelessness



Spike in California Older Adult Homelessness 2017–2022





Rental Subsidy Pilot Program Serving Older Adults in Stanislaus County

Hannah Brady, Deputy Executive Director hannah.brady@senioradvocacynetwork.org 209-497-6225

A. FUNDING

- Three different funding streams from public and private agencies
 - > None are ongoing
 - ➤ CARES: \$40,000 to launch the pilot
 - ➢ ARPA: \$200,000 over 2 years
 - Private funding: \$100,000 for 1 year

B. ELIGIBILITY

- 1. At least 60 years old
- 2. Low income: up to 200% of the Federal Poverty Limit
- 3. Severely Rent burdened: Current rent is at least 50% of their income
- 4. Current lease in their name
- Be engaged in proactive, long-term housing counseling to resolve housing instability
- 6. Landlord Participation

- C. SERVICE MODEL
- Direct-to-landlord rental payments of \$200* per month per eligible tenant
- Short term: tenants can
 remain eligible for up to
 24 months
- Eligibility verified annually

More than \$180,000 subsidy payments



Rent for 107 tenants since November 2021

D. SUCCESSES

53 Program Exits

HCV or other subsidy secured: 29, 55% Moved into Permanent Housing: 7, 13% Deceased: 4, 8% Other: 13, 24% Housing Stabilization Cost Benefit Average Participation - 9 months Average Per Tenant Investment-\$1,800



SERVING SENIORS

Shallow Rental Subsidy Programs in San Diego June 7, 2023

Serving Seniors' Needs Assessment on Older Adults

- Key Findings:
 - Homeless due to lack of an economic safety net, catastrophic event
 - 56% need **\$300** or less of monthly income to increase their rent security
 - To afford rent, more than half experienced one or more of the following:
 - borrowed money (33.9%),
 - went without food or medication (28.25%),
 - sold personal items and/or medication (20.79%)
 - allowed others to live with them even if they felt unsafe (18.86%)



Results

- Raised awareness with elected officials, philanthropists and throughout the community
- Advocated for new/expanded shallow subsidy programs for older adults with local government (County and City)
- Launched privately funded shallow subsidy programs
- Mario, 68
 - Previous history of homelessness
 - Diagnosed with cancer
 - Remain housed with assistance; connected with other resources



Serving Seniors' Programs

- Funded through private foundations
- 2-Years, \$300/month subsidy
- 30-40 Individuals
- Eligibility
 - Ages 60+
 - Rent burden 50% or more of income
 - At or below 30% AMI
 - Light case management
 - Landlord participation
 - Primarily urban

San Diego County's Program

- Funded through ARPA
- 18-Months, \$500/month subsidy
- 200 Individuals
- Eligibility
 - 55+, 60+ prioritized
 - Rent burden 50% or more of income
 - At or below 50% AMI, 30% prioritized
 - Light case management
 - Landlord participation
 - County-wide



Evaluation/Next Steps

- Housing Stability
 - Connection with permanent/subsidized housing resources
 - Family reunification
 - Shared housing
- Quality of Life
- Case Management Outcomes
 - Increased financial stability
 - Connection with benefits
 - Employment
- Partner with local and state programs to coalesce data for further advocacy/identification of best practices



Housing for Older Adults and People with Disabilities



Sharing Lessons Learned



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Transitional Rent Proposal

DACLAC, June 7, 2023





Proposal: Medi-Cal Coverage of Transitional Rent

California will request Section 1115 demonstration authority to cover transitional rent services for certain Medi-Cal beneficiaries.

- State Priority. Housing services and supports are critical to help improve health outcomes for the most vulnerable Californians, including those living with mental health conditions and substance use disorders. The State is making unprecedented investments in expanding housing services and supports available under Medi-Cal.
- Existing Housing Supports within Medi-Cal Managed Care. Currently, Managed Care Plans (MCPs) may opt to provide 5 housing-related Community Supports services: housing transition navigation services, housing deposits, tenancy sustaining services, as well as recuperative care and short-term post-hospitalization housing for those transitioning from inpatient settings.
- » National Landscape. Other states, including Oregon and Arizona, have recently received approval to cover under Medicaid up to 6 months of rent for specified populations.
- Section 1115 Demonstration Request. To further expand housing services and supports, DHCS is requesting authority to cover up to 6 months rent for eligible Medi-Cal members who are homeless or at risk of homelessness and transitioning from certain critical settings.

More information about the transitional rent service will be available in the BH-CONNECT 1115 demonstration application and forthcoming CalAIM amendment. Both will be available for public comment in July 2023.



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BREAK (10 minutes) Be back at 12:00pm



Updates: Home and Community-Based Services (HCBS) Statewide Transition Plan and Gap Analysis

- Cortney Maslyn, Integrated Systems of Care Division Chief, Department of Health Care Services
- Sarah Steenhausen, Deputy Director of Policy, Research, and Equity (DPRE), California Department of Aging
- Tanya Bautista, Policy Chief, DPRE, CDA
- Hagar Dickman, Senior Health Attorney, Justice in Aging



Home and Community-Based Services (HCBS) Statewide Transition Plan

Cortney Maslyn

Integrated Systems of Care Division Chief, DHCS





Home and Community-Based Services (HCBS) Gap Analysis

Sarah Steenhausen, Deputy Director, California Department of Aging Tanya Bautista, Policy Chief, California Department of Aging

To Get a full picture of...

- Who is currently getting HCBS in California
 - Demographics
 - By Geography/County
 - ≻Need
- Who is left out
 - Not receiving services at all
 - Receiving some services but with limited options
 - Receiving services that don't fulfill needs
- Adequacy of Services Received by Current HCBS Recipients
 - Identify who has unmet needs and why
 - > Where are the providers in relation to Recipients?
 - Health Outcomes by program & demographics



We need to know...

- What is the Baseline eligible population (who are the people that should be getting HCBS) by >Who? (Demographics) Where? (Geospatial analysis) Why? (special Diagnostic Identification ie Alzheimer's/Dementia, Mental Health, DD)
- How many individuals are authorized/utilizing which service, >Authorization v. Utilization: who is actually receiving services, in all delivery systems (MLTSS & FFS) >Who/Where
- Who is Getting Care
 - Comprehensive demographic categories (ie adding sexual orientation/gender identity as a category)
 - >Multi-level stratification
 - \succ Explore strategies for reducing demographic reporting hesitancy
- Quality of Care
 - >Identify Quality Measures that reflect service quality & health outcomes

 \succ Implement on-going monitoring and oversight beyond the analysis





DACLAC Committee Member Comments and Discussion

DACLAC Subcommittee Updates

Michelle Rousey

DACLAC Transportation, Chair

Marty Omoto, California Disability Community Action Network DACLAC Housing, Chair DACLAC Transportation Subcommittee Updates

March-May 2023

Michelle Rousey DACLAC Transportation, Chair

"Begin with the end in mind." Stephen Covey

Imagine a world where everyone can get where they need to go when they need to get there.

Focus Groups / Feedback Sessions

Purpose: Better understand the mobility needs of people with disabilities and older adults so we can design an accessible transit network.

Focus Groups on:

- Refining policies for accessible transportation (hosted by Genesis)
- CDA Outcome Metrics to support the Master Plan on Aging stakeholder recommendations
- Accessible transit-oriented development (1-on-1 meetings hosted by Disability Rights California)

Initiative 9 of the Master Plan on Aging

 "Support the expansion of integrated accessible transportation models through the following strategies:

Explore opportunities to strengthen Consolidated Transportation Service Agencies (CTSAs) across the state; (Lead Agencies: CalHHS; CalSTA)"

ACCESSIBLE TRANSPORTATION RECIPE = MODERNIZED POLICY + STABLE FUNDING

Fund, expand, and empower Consolidated Transportation Services Agencies (CTSA)

CTSA's are a flexible local model structured to fit local conditions rural, urban, suburban, etc.

(think Aging and Disability Resource Connection No Wrong Door Model) CTSAs advocate for, organize, and provide accessible transportation services such as:

- » Walkability
- » Rollability
- » Wayfinding
- » Affordability
- » Volunteer Driver Programs
- » Door Through Door Services
- » Same Day/Demand Response Rides
- » Cross County Trips

AB 540 Updates - Accessible Transportation

Providing updates to subcommittee members regarding potential CTSA improvement mechanisms.

<u>Assembly Bill 540 (Wicks)</u>: Modernizing the 1979 Social Services Transportation Improvement Act, which created CTSAs.

- Creates county-level agencies to enhance coordination and improve riders experiences.
- Establishes a dedicated funding stream for accessible transportation services.

Voluntarily being held in Committee until January 2024 given,

- broader financial woes of transit agencies statewide and
- need to build a larger coalition of supporters.

Laying the groundwork for next year, a request to estimate the cost and potential revenue sources for AB 540 has been made to the Legislative Analyst's Office (LAO).

Join the subcommittee!

Monthly Meetings: 2nd Tuesday from 4pm - 5pm via Zoom

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- Meeting Structure:
 - One presentation topic
 - One advocacy opportunity update
 - Open discussion
- Policy support and education for our legislation
- Continued partnerships with Caltrans, the California Transportation Commission, and intersectional work with housing and other areas.

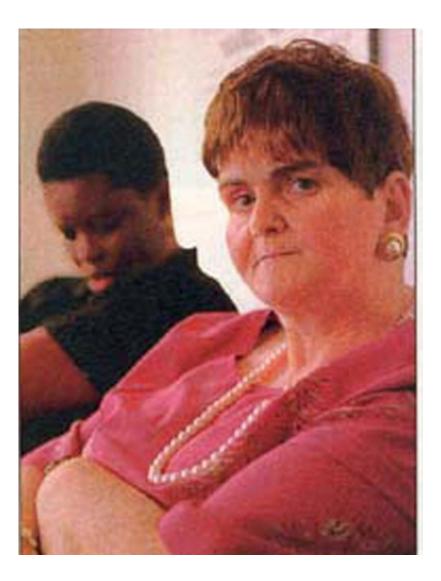
OVERVIEW AND REPORT OF THE DACLAC HOUSING SUBCOMMITTEE

Presented by Marty Omoto



June 7, 2023 – Housing Subcommittee, Disability & Aging Community Living Advisory Committee (DACLAC)

Elaine Wilson & Lois Curtis-Olmstead Decision





Written by: Shirley Klein – previously published In "Of Bitter Choice", 1983 or hear the softness in my lover's eyes SIGNING OF THE ADA Dedicated to my father, or type the answer to my mother's touch William Klein who died the next day: That my learning would be measured by my When the last pen stroke dried my father slept will assured that promises would finally open their And not by barbed numbers front doors for me That my wheels could take flight to open Which I could enter on ramped opportunities adventures or ride the rails of access through the beauty into broad hallways of my land. that no longer held the tyranny of UPSTAIRS, *Yes, my father could finally rest* That I could see the splendor of Beethoven *After the pen parted the waters* or feel the texture of Michaelangelo; And he saw me to the shore That I could read the voice of a distant child That had eluded us so long.

ISSUES HOUSING SUBCOMMITTEE TOUCHED IN RECENT MONTHS

MASTER PLAN OR AGING (MPA) KEY OUTCOME MEASURES

- Subcommittee meeting held April 24th, where subcommittee members offered comments and ideas on possible key outcome measures relating to "whole person housing needs" of older adults and people with disabilities (including developmental), people with behavioral health, mental health needs
- Facilitated by: Sarah Steenhausen, Deputy Director Policy, Research, and Equity, California Department of Aging (CDA) and Ross Lallian, Chief of Research, CDA

HCBS (HOME AND COMMUNITY-BASED SERVICES) GAP ANALYSIS

- Subcommittee meeting held April 24th, where subcommittee members offered comments and ideas on gaps in needed housing services and supports relating to "whole person housing needs" of older adults and people with disabilities (including developmental), people with behavioral health, mental health needs.
- Facilitated by: Sarah Steenhausen, Deputy Director Policy, Research, and Equity, CDA with Carrie Graham, Director, Long Term Services and Supports, Center for Health Care Strategies (CHCS), Sarah Triano, Associate Director, Long Term Services and Supports and Disability Policy, CHCS and Amy Hoffmaster, Senior Program Officer, CHCS.

ACTIONABLE BEST PRACTICES AND IDEAS IN HOUSING AT THE COMMUNITY LEVEL:

- Subcommittee meeting held May 23rd, that focused on overview, presentation and discussion of example of partnership of a housing authority and a communitybased organization, actionable immediate and long-term steps toward the outcome of placing people into whole person centered housing (questions can be asked throughout the presentation time - and also after) - Discussion on how this advances priorities of whole person centered housing needs in Home and Community-Based Services (HCBS), Master Plan for Aging, priorities under mental health, behavioral health.
- Facilitated by: Shella DuMong, family member (parent of son with intellectual/developmental disabilities) and executive director of CHANCE Housing (Coalition for Housing Accessibility, Needs, Choices and Equality) based in Santa Barbara County, and Bob Havlicck, executive director of Housing Authority of the County of Santa Barbara

RECENT ISSUES

CALIFORNIA HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES (CaIHHS) SECRETARY DR. MARK GHALY OVERVIEW OF MAY REVISE IMPACTING HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES INCLUDING DEPARTMENTS OF HEALTH CARE SERVICES, AGING

- Conference call for stakeholders held May 12th, hosted by Secretary Ghaly with department directors and staff, that touched on initiatives and proposals impacting homelessness and housing.
- Conference call featured: Departments of Health Care Services, California Department of Social Services (CDSS), Department of Developmental Services (DDS), California Department of Aging (CDA), Department of Rehabilitation (DOR) and others. Time was allowed for public comment and questions.

CALIFORNIA BUSINESS, CONSUMER SERVICES AND HOUSING (BCSH) AGENCY, OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR AND THE CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE (DOF) (ZOOM) WEBINAR FOCUSING ON HOUSING AND HOMELESSNESS

- Held Monday, May 15th, a Zoom focused on housing and homelessness parts of the Governor's proposed May Revise by the California Business, Consumer Services and Housing (BCSH) agency, the Office of the Governor, and the California Department of Finance (DOF) that featured (there was no time for public comment or questions):
- Lourdes Castro Ramirez, Secretary, CA Business, Consumer Services and Housing Agency (BCSH); James Hacker, Deputy Cabinet Secretary, Office of Governor Gavin Newsom; Sasha Kergan, Deputy Secretary for Housing and Consumer Relations, CA BCSH; Dhakshike Wickrema, Deputy Secretary for Homelessness, BCSH; Teresa Calvert, Program Budget Manager, CA DOF.

ALL INside INITIATIVE

- Subcommittee members were provided with detailed information regarding the White House and the US
 Interagency Council on Homelessness (USICH) launch on May 18th a first-of-its kind initiative called "ALL
 INside", with "whole person centered" needs and outcomes to address unsheltered homelessness across the
 country focusing on six communities. [pictured below is California Business, Consumer Services and Housing
 (BCSH) Secretary Castro Ramirez and US Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) Secretary Denis McDonough,
 the chair of US Interagency Council on Homelessness (USICH) during the launch].
- ALL Inside is a key part of US Interagency Council on Homelessness' "All In: The Federal Strategic Plan to Prevent and End Homelessness" which set major goals to reduce homelessness 25% by 2025 and ultimately, according to council officials, to build a country where every person has a safe and affordable home.
- As part of the initiative, the Biden-Harris Administration is launching new efforts to address major barriers to housing, health care, and other supports for people experiencing unsheltered homelessness including authorizing the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) to provide technical assistance to help communities leverage federal programs like Medicaid to cover and provide housing-related supportive services and behavioral health care (in California for the past several years, a Medicaid demonstration project called "CalAIM" or California Advancing and Innovating Medi-Cal, is implementing many housing related supportive services services and behavioral health care).



CALIFORNIA INTERAGENCY COUNCIL ON HOMELESSNESS (CAL ICH)

- Subcommittee members were given update and information on the May 31st regular quarterly (Zoom) meeting of the California Interagency Council on Homelessness [logo pictured below].
- The council is co-chaired by Secretary Lourdes Castro Ramirez, California Business, Consumer Services and Housing (BCSH) and Secretary Dr. Mark Ghaly, California Health and Human Services (CalHHS).
- All the major departments including those with a focus on older adults, people with disabilities, veterans, people who are in state prisons, are members of the council (Note: Department of Developmental Services is not a member of the Council)
- The Council's May 31st agenda for included the following:
 - Information on the proposed homelessness and housing investments in the Governor's Proposed State Budget May Revision.
 - A discussion about areas of the Action Plan for Preventing and Ending Homelessness that could be strengthened based on stakeholder input.
 - An update from the US Interagency Council on Homelessness (USICH) on recent activities and opportunities.
 California

• Public comment



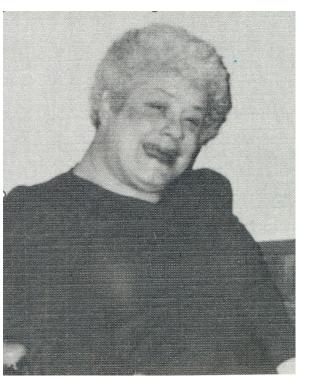
California Interagency Council on Homelessness

THE CLIENTS

They talk about us and confer Squeezing our dreams Into little boxes Through sterile pens That never aspire Beyond the lines or dotted i's.

Sitting there whole They discuss And describe And define Our brokenness. Assured of their tomorrows They mete out our todays As tokens for our submission To the future they have decreed for us

Written by: Shirley Klein – previously published In "Of Bitter Choice", 1983





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Closing Remarks and Next Steps Susan DeMarois Director, California Department of Aging DACLAC State Chair

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Eric Harris, Disability Rights California DACLAC Stakeholder Co-Chair



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