



California Elder and Disability Justice Coordinating Council

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Welcome & Meeting Logistics Review



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Land Acknowledgement

Consuelo Gambino

Tribal Affairs Manager, California Department of Aging

Council Purpose

The goal of the Elder and Disability Justice Coordinating Council is to increase coordination and develop recommendations to prevent and address the abuse, neglect, exploitation, and fraud perpetrated against older adults and adults with disabilities.



Equity Guiding Principles



We recognize that past, current interventions, and services to prevent mistreatment have had negative consequences for some victims, families, and communities as the result of systemic discrimination and biases. To counter these negative impacts and to ensure equity and inclusion moving forward, we are committed to letting the following principles guide all aspects of our work in planning, coordination, and program development.

Guiding Principles and Strategic Priorities

Equity Guiding Principles

1. *We recognize that all adults deserve to live free from abuse, neglect, and exploitation.*
2. *We acknowledge the existence of systemic racism, discrimination and negative impacts. In order to combat its impacts, we must center equity at all stages of our council's work.*
3. *Centering around equity does not just mean creating equitable solutions for all older adults and adults living with disabilities but also recognizing that implicit bias exists within all of us. We are committed as a group to acknowledge and explore biases while doing the work of this council.*
4. *We acknowledge that while older adults and adults living with disabilities have many overlapping interests, they are distinct communities, and any policies that are observed or recommended by this council should examine impacts to each community.*
5. *We recognize the importance of hearing directly from older adults and adults living with disabilities, their lived experiences should always be centered as we move forward with the work of this council.*

Council Members (2024-2025)

EDJCC Co-Chairs:

- *Susan DeMarois, Director, CA Department of Aging (CDA)*
- *Bertha S. Hayden, Directing Attorney, Bet Tzedek, EDJCC Stakeholder Co-Chair*

Council Members:

- *Blanca Castro, State Long-Term Care Ombudsman*
- *Renita Polk, County Welfare Directors Association of California*
- *Akiles Ceron, San Francisco Human Services Agency*
- *Leza Coleman, California Commission on Aging*
- *Sherry Johnson – Alvarez, Advocate*
- *Daniel Kroos, San Francisco Police Department*
- *Jaime Levine, Elder Law and Advocacy*

Council Members (2024-2025) cont.

Council Members:

- *Sandra Longnecker, Riverside County District Attorney's Office*
- *Liz Logsdon, Disability Rights California*
- *Vivianne Mbaku, Justice in Aging*
- *Jennifer Moore Ballentine, Coalition for Compassionate Care of California*
- *Alicia Morales, Adult and Long-Term Care Division of Santa Cruz*
- *Lisa Nerenberg, California Elder Justice Coalition*
- *Marty Omoto, CA Disability Action Network*
- *Carla Perissinotto M.D., University of California San Francisco*

Council Members (2024-2025) cont.

Council Members:

- *Scott Pirrello, San Diego District Attorney's Office*
- *Tim Perry, California Commission on Aging*
- *Tom Scott, CA State Association of Public Administrators, Public Guardians, and Public Conservators*
- *Valerie Smith, Santa Clara County Social Services Agency*
- *Jason Sullivan – Halpern, J.D., CA Long-Term Care Ombudsman Association*
- *Janie Whiteford, California In Home Support Services Consumer Alliance*
- *Tony Anderson, Association of Regional Care Centers*

Meeting Agenda

- 10:00 a.m. Welcome and Meeting Logistics
- 10:04 a.m. Land Acknowledgement
- 10:05 a.m. Opening Remarks
- 10:15 a.m. EDJCC Subcommittee 2024 Reflection & Day of Action Recommendations
- 11:40 a.m. 2024 Master Plan for Aging Day of Action
- 12:00 p.m. Break (10 minutes)
- 12:10 p.m. Tribal Presentation California Department of Aging
- 12:25 p.m. National Plan on Aging
- 12:40 p.m. Public Comment
- 12:55 p.m. Closing & Next steps



Welcome

Susan DeMarois

Director, California Department of Aging
EDJCC State Co-Chair

Bertha S. Hayden

Directing Attorney, Bet Tzedek
EDJCC Stakeholder Co-Chair

Opening Remarks

- Final State Budget Protecting APS and other programs that support older adults, people with disabilities, and caregivers.
- Proposition 1
- LGBTQIA+ Survey
- Engaging with Tribal Communities
- Welcome Brandie Devall, CDA Chief Legal Counsel
- Hearing MPA Stakeholder Recommendations



Developing the MPA Initiatives

MPA Stakeholder
Committee
Recommendations
Submitted &
Shared at the MPA
Day of Action

MPA Stakeholder
Committee
Recommendations
Distributed to State
MPA Partners

Work with State
MPA Partners to
Draft the MPA
Initiatives

Share the draft
MPA Initiatives with
Agency and
Administration
Leaders

Finalize and
Release the MPA
Initiatives

Elder and Disability Justice Coordinating Council (EDJCC) Subcommittees

Legal Services

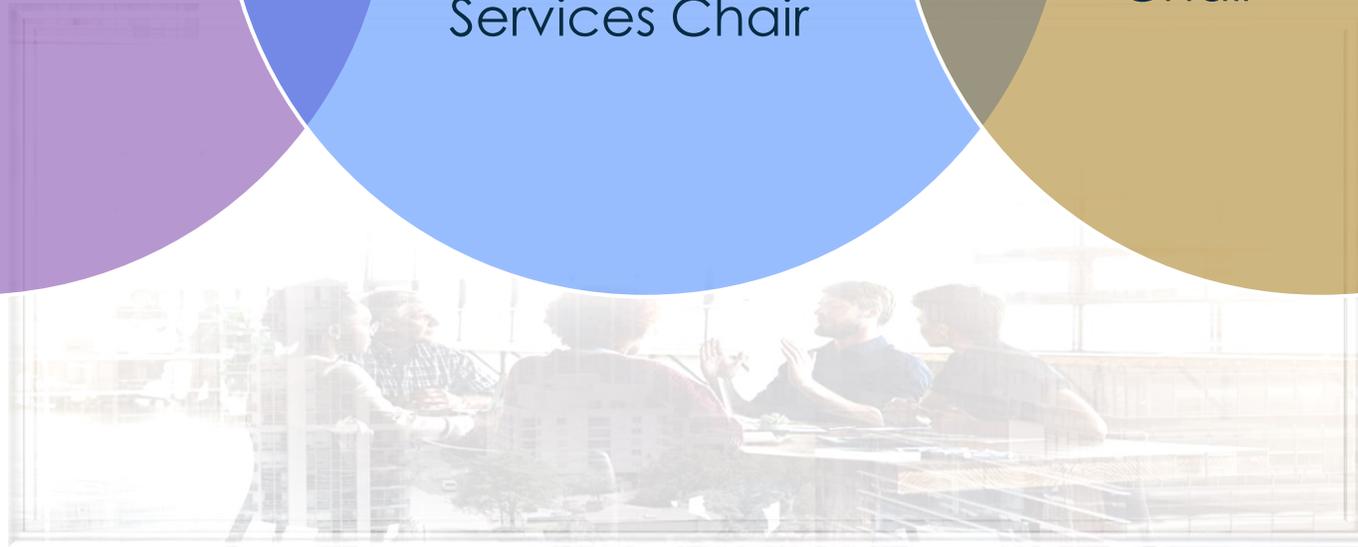
Vivianne Mbaku,
Legal Services
Chair

Adult Protective Services

Akiles Ceron, Adult
Protective
Services Chair

Conservatorship

Bertha Hayden,
Conservatorship
Chair





2024 Reflections and Finalizing Master Plan for Aging (MPA) Initiative Recommendations

Our Work So Far



1. **March:** Committee Chairs met and reviewed existing initiatives of the Master Plan for Aging for potential ideas from prior discussions and current discussions.
2. **April:** Members completed a Request for Information for Elder Justice Coordinating Council Priorities (survey).
3. **July:** Full EDJCC Council Listening Sessions
 - CalOES
 - Full EDJCC Council
4. **Today -** Review the current recommendations, and work with the Subcommittees to refine and finalize.

Process Followed by Subcommittees

Introduction of Day of Action Tool in Workgroups



Subcommittees Discussions



Full EDJCC Listening Session-Sharing Possible Recommendations



Subcommittees Draft Recommendations

EDJCC Council Spring/Summer Listening Sessions

Sharing the California Perspective - Request for Information for Elder Justice Coordinating Council Priorities (survey).



Learning - CalOES State of Program Funding



Strengthening - Full EDJCC Council Listening Session on MPA Day and process planning for 2025

Draft Recommendation #1 - Legal Services

Enhance and Increase Access to Civil and Criminal Remedies for Older Adult Victims of Abuse and Exploitation

- Supporting all attorneys that serve older adults (private bar, state, nonprofit)
- Supporting new models of service delivery to empower older adults
- Statewide Collaboration with the Attorney General's Office

Subcommittee has started discussion on how to engage the state on statewide approaches to elder fraud and scams.

Recommendation #2 – Adult Protective Services

Redesign the system of receiving and responding to reports of suspected abuse of older adults and adults with disabilities, by establishing a single reporting number and system that activates a timely review, triage and response at the county or regional level.

- ✓ Provide resources to all 58 counties to establish single phone numbers, called “**California Reporting One System & Services (CROSS)**” to receive and respond to reports regardless of setting: in their homes, communities, and long-term care facilities.
- ✓ For agencies that are designated to implement CROSS to receive funds to hire and provide training to staff to advise callers and triage, refer, and cross-report reports to the appropriate local and State agencies.
- ✓ Designated agencies will organize and oversee partnerships among APS, Area Agencies on Aging, Long-Term Care Ombudsman Programs (LTCO), mental health services, local law enforcement, state regulatory, oversight, and law enforcement agencies, and others.

Draft Recommendation #3 - Conservatorship

- Modernize Infrastructure of Public Guardian System
 - All county mandated Public Guardian System
 - Establish Public Guardian Program Administrator housed within the Department of Social Services (mirrors APS model)
- Evaluate- System Coordination
- Establish- Data Tracking & Statewide Training Standards
- Promote and Ensure equitable elder justice experience across all 58 counties

Committee Questions and Discussion

CA for ALL Ages & Abilities: 2024 MPA Day of Action Agenda and Highlights



Jackie Tompkins

*Master Plan for Aging, Project Director
California Department of Aging (CDA)*

CA for ALL Ages & Abilities: 2024 MPA Day of Action



CA
FOR ALL
AGES & ABILITIES
DAY OF ACTION

OCTOBER 2024

Date: Tuesday, October 8, 2024

Location: SAFE Credit Union Convention Center
Sacramento, CA

Time: Full Day Event

Registration: Open

Website: <https://www.caforall.org/>

Thank you to the MPA's philanthropic partners for supporting this event.



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What to Expect at the Day of Action?

Focus future work on the highest priority issues facing Californians today & Center future MPA planning on equity and lived experience.

- Gather priority recommendations from the MPA Stakeholder Committees to inform the development of the MPA Initiatives for the next two years (25-26).

Celebrate progress to-date and renew our shared commitment to the MPA, California's 10-year blueprint for all ages and abilities.

- Sustain and re-invigorate diverse partners and stakeholders on California's commitment to achieve the MPA's Five Bold Goals.

Engage Diverse Partners in the "Whole of Government Approach"

- Be a model by convening state and national leaders to advance equity, collaboration, and integration among sectors in charting a path forward to prepare for the nation's aging population.

Agenda Development: A Look at the Day

- Hear from the Community/Lived Experience
- Elevate/Share MPA Stakeholder Committee Priorities through Recommendations
- Engage with State Leaders on the MPA's Progress, Priorities, and Recommendations
- Converse with Policy and Budget Staff on Advancing Systems Change
- Networking Opportunities Embedded Throughout the Day



Committee Questions and Discussion



BREAK
(10 minutes)



Elder & Disability Justice: Tribal Affairs

Consuelo Gambino, Tribal Affairs Manager

California American Indian/Alaska Native Demographics

- 109 Federally Recognized tribes in California
- In California, there are 920,261 American Indian or Alaska Native (AIAN) individuals or in combination with one or more races.
 - Of this group, 360,607 reported their race as AIAN alone.

Sources:

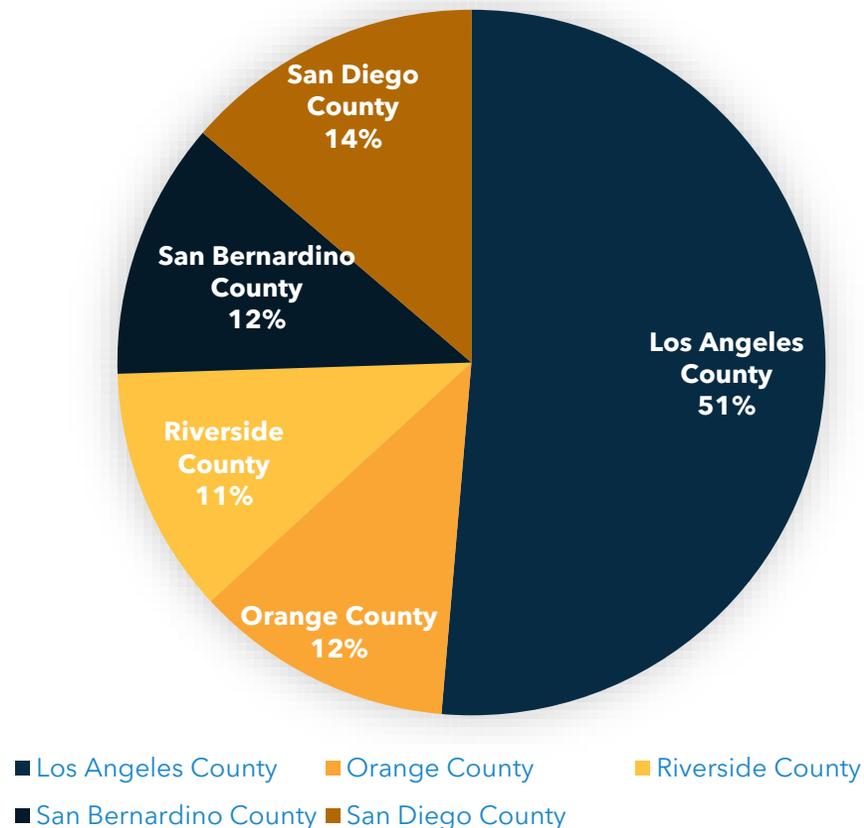
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California AIAN Older Adult Demographics

Highest Concentration of AIAN Older Adults by County



- California AIAN Older Adults:
 - 56,607 age 55-59 years
 - 50,311 age 60-64 years
 - 62,790 age 65-74 years
 - 24,438 age 75-84 years
 - 8,716 age 85 years and older
- Top 5 most concentrated California AIAN older adult populations:
 1. Los Angeles County
 2. San Diego County
 3. San Bernardino County
 4. Riverside County
 5. Orange County

Older Americans Act Title VI

- In 1978, the Older Americans Act (OAA) was amended to include Title VI, creating nutrition and supportive services for American Indians/Alaska Natives (AIAN) and Native Hawaiians.
 - In 2000, services expanded to include caregiver support services.
 - In March 2024, OAA published new regulations



Older Americans Act Title VI

- The Administration for Community Living directly awards eligible tribal organizations grants to deliver home and community-based supportive services, nutrition services, and support for families and caregivers to AIANs and Native Hawaiians.
 - To meet funding requirements, tribal organizations of federally recognized tribes must represent at least 50 Native American elders aged 60 and over in their service area.
 - After meeting funding requirements, tribes and tribal organizations have flexibility with age requirements and may decide at what age a member is considered an elder.

Current CA Title VI Tribal Grant Recipients

1. Big Valley Band of Pomo Indians
2. Bishop Paiute Tribe
3. Blue Lake Rancheria
4. California Indian Manpower Consortium
5. Tejon Indian Tribe
6. Fort Mojave Indian Tribe
7. K'ima:w Medical Center
8. Karuk Tribe
9. Pala Band of Mission Indians
10. Picayune Rancheria of Chukchansi Indians
11. Pit River Health Service, Inc.
12. Redding Rancheria
13. Riverside-San Bernardino County Indian Health
14. Round Valley Indian Tribes
15. Santa Ynez Tribal Health Clinic
16. Sonoma County Indian Health Project, Inc.
17. Southern Indian Health Council, Inc.
18. Toiyabe Indian Health Project, Inc.
19. Tule River Indian Health Center, Inc.
20. United Indian Health Services, Inc.
21. Wilton Rancheria
22. Wiyot Tribe
23. Yurok Tribe

California Tribal Consultation Policy Executive Order



- Executive Order B-10-11. Office of Governor Edmund G. Brown Jr., established on September 19, 2011.
 - It is the policy of this Administration that every state agency and department subject to my executive control shall encourage communication and consultation with California Indian Tribes. Agencies and departments shall permit elected officials and other representatives of tribal governments to provide meaningful input into the development of legislation, regulations, rules, and policies on matters that may affect tribal communities.

Researching Key Elements of Tribal Consultation Policies

- The purpose of a Tribal Consultation Policy is to build and establish relationships between the CDA and the California Indian Tribes.
 - To ensure California Tribes are involved in CDA policy development, changes, rules, regulations, and program planning related to Tribal communities.
- Common Tribal Consultation Policy Formats
 - Introduction/Background
 - Definitions
 - Guiding Principles/Philosophy (values)

Progress Toward a Consultation Policy Coming Soon! Survey of Area Agencies on Aging



- A brief survey of the Area Agencies on Aging (AAAs) regarding engagement with Title VI tribal grant recipients, tribal communities, tribal organizations, and individuals who identify as AIAN.
- Purpose
 - To learn more about existing relationships between the AAAs and tribal communities.
 - To identify available cultural resources and materials.
 - To find out how the CDA can provide support.
- Tentative release date - August 2024

Tribal Engagement Events

- California Tribal Nations Summit - February 26, 2024
- Honored Elders Day - June 3, 2024
- Tribal Leaders Forum - September 2024
- California Native American Day - September 27, 2024
 - CDA will share a table with the Department of Health Care Services



For More Information

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Committee Questions and Discussion



National Plan on Aging

Jennifer Baker, Advisor
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Interagency Coordinating Committee on Healthy Aging and Age-Friendly Communities

Aging in the United States: A Strategic Framework for a National Plan on Aging

Our Pro-Aging Commitment



The Strategic Framework seeks to break the patterns of ageism and ableism that serve as preventable barriers to older adults thriving in their communities. It recognizes the strengths of older adults, as well as the societal barriers, like ageism, to their meaningful participation and health.



It is intended to spark dialogue and innovation and provide a foundation for developing a national plan on aging for systems change to ensure that all Americans can age well and thrive throughout their lives.



Our Vision



Our vision is an America that values older adults, embraces aging, and recognizes that all people have the right to live with dignity, make their own choices, and participate fully in society.

We want to be a nation that prioritizes independence, inclusion, well-being, and health across the lifespan.



Our Cross-Cutting Values

Person-Centeredness	The preferences, needs, and voices of older adults drive the services and supports that enable them to live the lives they want.
Inclusion	All people regardless of age, disability, or life experience, should be able to live independently and participate fully in their communities.
Respect	All people have the right to live their lives with dignity and respect, free from abuse of any kind.
Collaboration and Innovation	All sectors should work together to streamline access to programs; avoid duplicative work and efficiently leverage resources; share lessons learned; and develop new, effective approaches to meeting the needs of older adults.

Strategic Framework for a National Plan on Aging

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Cross Cutting Values

- Person-Centeredness
- Inclusion
- Respect
- Collaboration and Innovation

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Age-Friendly Communities

All older adults live in communities that respect and include them and are designed to encourage health, well-being, engagement, and connection.

Purpose and Engagement
Social Connection
Accessibility and Universal Design
Transportation

Economic and Financial Security
Employment
Age-Friendly Health Systems

2

Coordinated Housing and Supportive Services

All older adults have access to housing and the services they need to maintain their independence at home and thrive in their community.

Affordable Housing
Accessible Quality Housing
Preventing and Addressing

Homelessness
Housing Stability through Coordinated Services

3

Increased Access to Long-Term Services and Supports

All older adults can easily access affordable, high-quality services and supports that promote their independence and goals.

Paid and Unpaid Caregiving
Whole Person Health Financing
Elder Justice

Person-Centered Access System “No Wrong Door” and Other Statewide Access Systems

4

Aligned Health Care and Supportive Services

All older adults maximize their health and reduce preventable disease and injury through comprehensive care that includes health and social services in the home or in the community

Benefits Access
Optimize Health, Well-Being, and Functioning

Align Health and Human Services





Nearly 75 older adults gathered at the Deanwood Community Center in Washington, D.C., to share their perspectives and experiences on May 3, 2024.

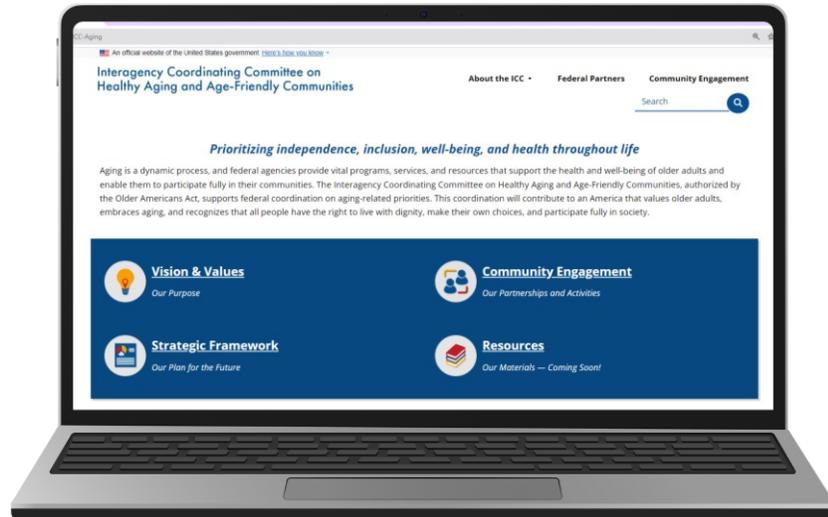
Ensuring the perspectives of older adults and community partners inform our work.

- National Plan on Aging Community Engagement Collaborative
- Stakeholder Interviews
- Listening Sessions and National Input
- Stakeholder Engagement



Community Engagement

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- Read the Report
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- Find Input Process Link

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Closing Remarks

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Meeting Materials & Future Dates

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 - [CalHHS EDJCC Meeting webpage](#)

- ❖ CA for ALL Ages & Abilities: CA for ALL Ages & Abilities: [2024 MPA Day of Action](#) | Tuesday, October 8, 2024



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