

DISABILITY AND AGING COMMUNITY LIVING ADVISORY COMMITTEE (DACLAC)  
FEBRUARY 09, 2022 MEETING TRANSCRIPT

14:00:43 >> WELCOME FRIENDS AND COLLEAGUES. WE'RE GOING TO GIVE IT A COUPLE OF SECONDS FOR FOLKS TO JOIN. I'LL DO A BRIEF OVERVIEW OF LOGISTICS ITEMS BEFORE PASSING IT ON TO DIRECTOR SUSAN DeMAROIS.

14:01:18 >> WANT ME TO JUMP IN? YOU ARE DOING LOGISTICS? I WAS WATCHING ATTENDEE NUMBERS. COUPLE OF REMINDERS, WE'RE DOING THIS MEETING VIRTUALLY.

14:01:22 YOU CAN JOIN US ON YOUR SMART DEVICE OR COMPUTER.

14:01:30 OF COURSE, THERE IS ALWAYS AN OPTION TO DIAL IN ON YOUR TELEPHONE USING THE NUMBER AND ID NUMBER DISPLAYED.

14:01:36 LIVE CAPTIONING IS AVAILABLE.

14:01:43 WE ALSO HAVE AMERICAN SIGN LANGUAGE. AND OUR FRIEND KIM IS HERE SIGNING AND HER COLLEAGUE IS ON AS WELL.

14:02:05 THEY WILL ALTERNATE THROUGHOUT TODAY'S PROGRAM. AND AS ALWAYS, RECORDING SLIDES AND TRANSCRIPTS ARE ARCHIVED ON OUR WEB PAGE.

14:02:13 >> THANK YOU SO MUCH AND WELCOME BACK EVERYBODY. GOOD TO SEE YOU. I WILL SEE MORE OF YOU WHEN I START SCROLLING THROUGH THE GALLERY.

14:02:18 WE LAST MET ON NOVEMBER 16. FEELS LIKE A LIFETIME AGO.

14:02:21 AND THERE IS SO MUCH GOOD NEWS TO SHARE SINCE THEN.

14:02:41 WANTED TO START OUT BY FIRST, ESPECIALLY WELCOMING TWO NEW MEMBERS TO DACLAC.

14:02:51 MEGAN AND GENIE -- HAVE BEEN KEY LEADERS ON WIDE RANGE OF DISABILITY ISSUES.

14:03:00 AND WE'RE FORTUNATE TO HAVE THEIR EXPERTISE NOW, JOINING US AT THIS TABLE. WELCOME MEGAN AND JEANIE.

14:03:01 THERE'S A ROUND OF GOOD NEWS.

14:03:01 I WILL GO IN CHRONOLOGICAL ORDER.

14:03:42 FIRST WAS ON -- 29 -- CMS APPROVED CALIFORNIA'S FAR REACHING MEDI-CAL CalAIM PROPOSAL. KUDOS TO THE TOUGH NEGOTIATING TEAM LED BY MICHELLE AND JACEY COOPER. CalAIM OFFICIALLY LAUNCHED JANUARY FIRST. JANUARY 4, CMS OFFICIALLY APPROVED CALIFORNIA'S \$3 BILLION

14:03:48 HOME AND COMMUNITY BASED SERVICES SPENDING PLAN.

14:03:54 THAT WAS AUTHORIZED BY THE LEGISLATURE AND GOVERNOR. YOU WILL HEAR MORE ABOUT THAT TODAY.

14:04:20 JANUARY 10, GOVERNOR NEWSOM RELEASED A PROPOSED 2022-23 STATE BUDGET. A FACT SHEET WAS ATTACHED TO THE AGENDA. I HOPE YOU ARE FAMILIAR WITH SOME OF THE EXCITING PROPOSALS AND INITIATIVES LAID OUT IN THE BUDGET. HIGHLIGHTS INCLUDE A MAJOR EXPANSION OF MEDI-CAL, \$1.7 BILLION IN WORKFORCE INVESTMENTS.

14:04:40 THAT IS ON TOP OF NEARLY A BILLION IN WORKFORCE INVESTMENTS THIS YEAR THROUGH THE HCBS SPENDING PLAN. FUNDING TO MAKE PERMANENT BACKUP PROVIDERS AND DECREASED MEDI-CAL PREMIUMS FOR WORKING DISABLED ADULTS.

14:04:45 THERE'S A BIT MORE IN THE BUDGET. YOU WILL HEAR MORE ABOUT IT IN THE COMING MONTHS.

14:05:05 THAT ONLY GOT US TO JANUARY 10. LATER IN JANUARY, WE CELEBRATED ONE YEAR ANNIVERSARY OF THE MASTER PLAN FOR AGING. MANY OF YOU ON TODAY'S CALL WERE PART OF THE CELEBRATION EVENT. AND SEVERAL OF YOU PRESENTED. WE STARTED THE DAY WITH A VIDEO FROM GOVERNOR NEWSOM. AND JOINED

14:05:11 BY THE SECRETARIES OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES, HOUSING, LABOR, AND HUNDREDS OF STAKEHOLDERS.

14:05:17 THANK YOU TO YOU WHO PARTICIPATED IN THE CELEBRATION EVENT.

14:05:21 WILL MAKE SURE THAT YOU SEE THE ONE YEAR PROGRESS REPORT IN THE CHAT TODAY.

14:05:30 LATER IN JANUARY, WE LAUNCHED CALIFORNIA ELDER AND DISABILITY JUSTICE COORDINATING COUNCIL. THIS HAS BEEN MANY YEARS IN THE MAKING.

14:05:33 WAS ONE OF RECOMMENDATIONS IN THE MASTER PLAN FOR AGING.

14:05:45 I KNOW THAT SOME OF THE MEMBERS OF THE COORDINATING COUNCIL ARE ALSO ON DACLAC AND ARE PARTICIPATING TODAY AS PUBLIC MEMBERS AND STAKEHOLDERS.

14:06:15 ALSO IN JANUARY, DEPARTMENT OF AGING PROUD TO WELCOME SARAH STEENHAUSEN TO THE TEAM. YOU WILL SEE SARAH LATER IN THE AGENDA WHEN SHE FACILITATES CALAIM DISCUSSION ALONG WITH PATTI, OUR CO-CHAIR. LAST CONTINUE TO FIGHT THE PANDEMIC AND THE OMICRON SURGE ON ALL FRONTS -- BOOSTING,

14:06:23 TESTING, MASKS. THIS WEEK WITH THE SURGE RECEDING, WE SAW WELCOME RELIEF FROM THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH.

14:06:49 RELAXATION ON VISITATION POLICIES IN NURSING HOMES. BEFORE I TURN OVER TO CLAIRE RAMSEY WHO IS GOING TO GIVE US AN UPDATE FROM THE DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES ON HCVS SPENDING PLAN INITIATIVES. WANTED TO ESPECIALLY THANK TRANSPORTATION AND HOUSING WORK GROUPS.

14:07:04 SO APPRECIATE THE WORK HAPPENING BETWEEN MEETINGS AND THE LEADERSHIP THAT MEMBERS OF THIS COMMITTEE ARE SHOWING TO PULL TOGETHER -- NOT JUST MEMBERS OF DACLAC BUT OTHER SUBJECT MATTER EXPERTS AND RESOURCES THAT YOU ARE TAPPING INTO.

14:07:30 I LOOK FORWARD TO HEARING FROM THE TRANSPORTATION WORK GROUP LATER TODAY. THE HOUSING GROUP CONTINUES TO MEET. THANK YOU TO MEGHAN FOR HER PART. MARTY, PATTI,

WHO HAVE BEEN DOING WORK BETWEEN MEETINGS. I ENCOURAGE YOU TO DO MORE OF THIS. WE CAN MAKE MORE PROGRESS

14:07:38 AND BRING RECOMMENDATIONS TO THE SECRETARY.

14:07:46 YOU HAVE SUPPORT OF OUR STAFF AND TEAM TO HELP YOU GET ORGANIZED AROUND THOSE MEETINGS ANY WAY THAT YOU NEED.

14:08:01 NOW, TURNING IT OVER TO CLAIRE RAMSEY. AND ASK HER TO HIGHLIGHT TWO KEY INITIATIVES UNDERWAY FOR WORKERS IN THE HOUSING SPACE. CLAIRE?

14:08:39 >> THANKS, EXCITED TO BE HERE WITH YOU TODAY IN THE NEW YEAR WITH THE NEW INITIATIVES GOING.

14:08:42 I'M GOING TO TOUCH ON TWO INITIATIVES. WANT TO MAKE SURE EVERYONE KNOWS -- WE HAD TWO INITIATIVES IN THE SPENDING PLAN -- FIRST WAS CARE ECONOMY PAYMENTS.

14:09:03 RESULTING IN PROVIDERS RECEIVING ADDITIONAL STIPEND TO RECOGNIZE THE EXTRAORDINARY WORK THEY DID DURING THE PANDEMIC. STILL THANKFUL FOR THE WORK AND HOW MANY PEOPLE THEY KEPT SAFE. GLAD TO SHOW THE APPRECIATION BY RECOGNIZING IT WAS IN ACTUAL DOLLARS.

14:09:09 SO THAT WAS MY EXTRA -- MY THIRD. BUT LET ME GO TO THE OTHER TWO.

14:09:17 ONGOING ONE WORKING ON HEAVILY -- IS CAREER PATHWAYS. SOME OF YOU MAYBE FAMILIAR WITH THIS.

14:09:46 WE HAVE HAD TWO LISTENING SESSIONS -- ONE IN DECEMBER AND IN JANUARY. WE'RE PLANNING A THIRD FOR END OF THE MONTH, BEGINNING OF MARCH. STILL SETTling A DATE WITH FOCUS ON ACCESS -- TO LANGUAGE -- SO WE CAN HEAR FROM EVEN MORE CONSUMERS AND PROVIDERS TO MAKE SURE THAT WE ARE USING STAKEHOLDER

14:09:47 FEEDBACK TO INFORM OUR PROGRAM.

14:09:55 FOR THOSE WHO AREN'T THAT FAMILIAR WITH OUR CAREER PATHWAYS, I'M GOING TO GO THROUGH A LITTLE BIT.

14:09:56 BUT THERE'S MORE KNOW.

14:10:01 LET ME KNOW IN THE CHAT IF YOU NEED ANY FOLLOW-UP QUESTIONS OR WANT FOLLOW-UP INFORMATION.

14:10:12 BASICALLY WHAT WE'RE DOING, STARTING A CAREER PATHWAYS TO RECRUIT AND RETAIN IHHS PROVIDERS.

14:10:30 AND WE'RE ALSO DOING IT WITH AN EYE TOWARD WORKING CROSS-DEPARTMENTALLY AND CROSS-AGENCY BECAUSE THERE ARE A LOT OF INITIATIVES GOING ON. WE WANT TO BE THOUGHTFUL, PEOPLE COULD BE USING OUR TRAINING AS THEY CURRENTLY WORK AS A PROVIDER.

14:10:37 BUT MAY AT SOME POINT CHOOSE TO MAKE OTHER CHOICES IN THE HEALTHCARE FIELD OR SOCIAL WORK FIELD.

14:10:42 AND HOPING TO FIND A NICE BALANCE OF HAVING CONNECTIVITY BETWEEN PROGRAMS.

14:10:46 AND SO WE'RE GOING TO HAVE TWO GENERAL PATHWAYS AVAILABLE.

14:10:58 ONE IS A GENERAL HEALTH AND SAFETY PATHWAY THAT WILL FOCUS ON WIDE VARIETY OF TOPICS LIKE FIRST AID, INFECTION CONTROL. EMERGENCY AND DISASTER PREPAREDNESS. FOOD SAFETY.

14:11:12 AND SECOND GENERAL PATHWAY, WILL BE ADULT GENERATION PATHWAY. MATH LITERACY, THESE ARE EXAMPLE -- AND GOING TO CONTRACT WITH VENDORS TO PROVIDE CLASSES.

14:11:22 WE ALSO HAVE THREE SPECIALIZED PATHWAYS THAT ARE SUPERFOCUSSED ON IHHS CONSUMER POPULATION.

14:11:39 FIRST IS ON COGNITIVE IMPAIRMENTS AND BEHAVIORAL HEALTH -- TO CLASSES AROUND DEMENTIA AND ALZHEIMER'S AND AUTISM SPECTRUM DISORDERS AND TRAUMATIC BRAIN INJURIES.

14:11:53 SECOND IS COMPLEX PHYSICAL CARE NEEDS, AROUND THINGS LIKE MOBILE, AMBULATION AND TRANSFER. AMPUTATION AND PROSTHETIC CARE, USING A HOYER LIFT AND MOVING PEOPLE SAFELY.

14:12:04 THIRD A TRANSITION TO COMMUNITY-BASED LIVING FROM HOMELESSNESS. THOSE MIGHT BE THINGS LIKE HOW TO DO CARE MANAGEMENT FOR PEOPLE.

14:12:07 THINKING ABOUT HOW TO NAVIGATE THE HEALTH SYSTEM.

14:12:16 SUPPORT FOR REENTRY FROM HOMELESSNESS AND WHETHER THAT LINKS INTO BEHAVIORAL HEALTH NEEDS.

14:12:29 RALLY EXCITED. WORKING TO ACTUALLY DO MANY PIECES AT ONCE RIGHT NOW. BUT WE WILL BE HOPEFULLY LAUNCHING AT THE END OF SEPTEMBER, BEGINNING OF OCTOBER OF THIS YEAR WITH OUR CLASSES.

14:12:39 THEY WILL BE A LOT OF ON-LINE OPTIONS. BUT WE'RE -- LOOKING AT IN-PERSON OPTIONS AS WELL.

14:12:51 PLAN TO HAVE MULTIPLE LANGUAGES REPRESENTED AND TRYING TO FOCUS ON THE CONTENT -- WPCS -- PROVIDERS NEED TO PROVIDE HIGH QUALITY SERVICES.

14:12:57 AND TO FEEL COMFORTABLE WITH THE SERVICES THEY'RE PROVIDING.

14:13:03 WE'RE GOING TO BE ABLE TO PAY PEOPLE FOR HOURLY WAGES TO PARTICIPATE IN THE TRAININGS.

14:13:13 AND WE HAVE AN INCENTIVE PROGRAM THAT WE'RE SETTING UP TO PAY PEOPLE FOR COMPLETING NUMBERS OF HOURS OF CLASSES.

14:13:25 AND COMPLETING HOURS AND WORKING FOR A NEW CONSUMER TO EPFULLY EXPAND THE POOL OF WHO IS WORKING.

14:13:36 FEEL FREE TO CONTINUE TO PROVIDE US WITH THAT. IT'S HELPING TO INFORM THE CLASSES.

14:13:42 WE'RE COGNIZANT, THIS IS A SELF-DIRECTED PROGRAM.

14:13:46 AND INDIVIDUAL RECIPIENTS ARE GOING TO DIRECT THEIR PROVIDER.

14:14:01 SO TRAINING IS MEANT TO PROVIDE FOUNDATIONAL BASE OF SKILLS AND COMPETENCIES WITH THE UNDERSTANDING -- EMPLOYER WILL DIRECT SERVICES AS APPLIED TO THEMSELVES.

14:14:08 SO MORE IN THE FUTURE, WILL BE SENDING OUT THE NEXT LISTENING SESSION AS SOON AS WE HAVE THE DATE LOCKED DOWN.

14:14:11 EXCITED ABOUT THAT. MOVING FORWARD.

14:14:20 AND OTHER PROGRAM I WANT TO HIGHLIGHT WITHIN THE SPENDING PLAN IS OUR COMMUNITY CARE EXPANSION OR CCE PROGRAM.

14:14:37 THIS IS A NEW PROGRAM WHICH WILL FUND ACQUISITION, CONSTRUCTION, REHABILITATION.

14:14:55 -- FOR PEOPLE WHO ARE AT RISK FOR HOMELESSNESS. DSS IS WORKING COLLABORATIVELY WITH DEPARTMENT OF HEALTHCARE SERVICES BECAUSE THEY HAVE A HUGE INITIATIVE GOING AS WELL CALLED BEHAVIORAL HEALTH CONTINUUM INFRASTRUCTURE PROGRAM OR BSIP.

14:15:01 AND THE TWO PROGRAMS ARE DOING DIFFERENT THINGS. BUT THEY'RE DOING COMPLEMENTARY THINGS.

14:15:21 SO WE RELEASED A JOINT RFA ON JANUARY 31. AND WITH THAT, THE CCE PROGRAM IS LAUNCHING \$570 MILLION OF FUNDING AVAILABLE FOR EXPANSION OF THESE RESIDENTIAL CARE FACILITIES.

14:15:29 AND THE BSIP PROGRAM IS RELEASING \$518 MILLION WITHIN THIS ROUND OF THEIR FUNDING.

14:15:33 WE'RE DOING ROLLING APPLICATIONS AT DSS FOR THIS PROGRAM.

14:15:40 AND DHDS IS DOING DEADLINE OF MAY 31, 2022.

14:15:53 WE WILL HAVE ADDITIONAL INFORMATION COMING OUT ABOUT THE ADDITIONAL \$195 MILLION WE HAVE WITH CCE THAT IS USED TOWARD PRESERVATION OF EXISTING FACILITIES.

14:16:47 WE EXPECT TO HAVE THAT GUIDANCE OUT BY THE BEGINNING OF MARCH.

14:16:48 I'M GOING TO PUT IN THE LINK -- LINK TO THE RFA.

14:16:49 MUCH MORE TO COME.

14:16:50 ALSO -- THINKING ABOUT HOW IT CAN CONNECT TOWARD DEINSTITUTIONALIZATION.

14:17:10 >> AT THIS POINT, WANTED TO TURN IT OVER TO OUR GREAT CO-CHAIRS, WE'RE IN CAPABLE HANDS. WANTED TO ESPECIALLY THANK ALL OF THE DEPARTMENT DIRECTORS AND AGENCY REPRESENTATIVES WITH US TODAY ON THE CALL. THANK YOU FOR JOINING US.

14:17:19 WE'RE SO HAPPY THAT YOU ARE HERE. AND TO PUBLIC MEMBERS AND PARTICIPANTS JOINING US, ESPECIALLY TO THE MEMBERS OF THIS COMMITTEE.

14:17:25 SO I WILL TURN IT NOW TO CO-CHAIRS.

14:17:31 >> THANK YOU, SUSAN. ERIC AND I WANT TO WELCOME EVERYONE ON THE CALL.

14:17:39 IT'S EXCITED TO SEE THE LEVEL OF PARTICIPATION. I SEE WE HAVE 111 PEOPLE WHO ARE TUNING IN TODAY.

14:18:03 TO HEAR FROM THE DIFFERENT DEPARTMENTS ABOUT INITIATIVES TO ADVANCE COMMUNITY LIVING AND THE OLMSTED PRINCIPLES AND WHAT THE ADMINISTRATION IS BRINGING TO IT IS VERY EXCITING. AND WE'RE GOING TO HAVE A LOT OF OPPORTUNITY TO HEAR FROM STAKEHOLDERS, REACTOR PANELS AND THE PUBLIC

14:18:14 SO THAT THEY CAN BE THE PRIMARY FOCUS OF THIS COMMITTEE TO REALLY ADVISE THE ADMINISTRATION ON WHAT THE NEEDS ARE.

14:18:24 AND GOING TO TURN IT OVER TO ERIC.

14:18:33 >> THANK YOU. THIS IS ERIC HARRIS, ONE OF YOUR CO-CHAIRS AND ALSO DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC POLICY AT DISABILITY RIGHTS CALIFORNIA.

14:18:58 I WANT TO ECHO THE COMMENTS THAT PATTI MENTIONED. REALLY THRILLED SO MANY PEOPLE ARE PARTICIPATING AND INVOLVED -- THAT'S BEEN IMPORTANT TO US. REALLY IMPORTANT TO SUSAN. WE REALLY WANT TO LIFT UP THE VOICES OF THE DISABILITY AND AGING COMMUNITY.

14:19:10 AND MAKE SURE THAT POLICIES THAT WE ARE TALKING ABOUT, THE DEPARTMENTS THAT WE'RE WORKING WITH, THAT THEY HEAR DIRECTLY FROM THE DISABILITY AND AGING COMMUNITY.

14:19:47 AND THAT THEY PRIORITIZE LISTENING DIRECTLY TO THE DISABILITY AND AGING COMMUNITY.

14:19:48 EXCITED ABOUT TOPICS -- HOUSING, CalAIM, TRANSPORTATION.

14:19:49 THOSE WORK GROUPS ARE PLANNED ON GATHERING TOGETHER SOON.

14:19:50 EXCITED TO HEAR WHAT YOU ALL HAVE TO SAY.

14:19:56 TO HEAR FROM THE DIFFERENT DIRECTORS AND DEPARTMENT HEADS TO LET US KNOW --

14:20:07 >> SHOULD WE GO INTO HOUSING? WAS THERE MORE INTRODUCTIONS? THANK YOU.

14:20:15 >> WE'VE DONE INTRODUCTIONS WITH THIS GROUP. YOU KNOW SOMETIMES INTRODUCTIONS CAN TAKE SOME TIME.

14:20:26 IF WE COULD TRY TO KEEP THE INTRODUCTIONS AS EFFICIENT AS POSSIBLE SO WE CAN GET TO THE PRESENTATIONS, THAT WOULD BE REALLY HELPFUL.

14:20:42 >> ADDING IF YOU WANT TO PUT THEM IN THE CHAT, WE'RE HAPPY TO READ FROM THE CHAT, INTRODUCTIONS THAT ARE THERE.

14:20:59 >> THANK YOU. WANT TO JUMP IN, BECAUSE WE HAVE SUCH A TIGHT AGENDA TODAY, WE'RE GOING TO SKIP DOING ROLL CALL. NAMES ARE THERE ON THE SCREEN.

14:21:11 HOPE FOLKS CAN ALSO SEE COMMITTEE MEMBERS THAT ARE PANELISTS. FEEL FREE TO USE THE CHAT TO SAY HELLO TO FELLOW MEMBERS.

14:21:13 WILL MOVE ALONG TO THE NEXT SEGMENT.

14:21:22 >> THANK YOU. I SEE PEOPLE ARE PUTTING HELLOS INTO THE CHAT.

14:21:25 THAT'LL BE GREAT WAY TO CONNECT.

14:21:36 >> I PROVIDED COMMITTEE UPDATES. SO WE CAN JUST ROLL RIGHT INTO HOUSING FOR ALL AGES AND STAGES.

14:21:48 >> EXCELLENT. THANK YOU. I ASSUME YOU RECALL AT THE LAST MEETING, WE HAD A VERY LIVELY CONVERSATION ON -- ABOUT HOUSING FOR ALL AGES AND STAGES.

14:21:54 WHICH IS ONE OF THE MASTER PLAN FOR AGING GOALS.

14:22:02 WE HAD PRESENTATIONS FROM OUR SECRETARY OF BUSINESS CONSUMER SERVICES AND HOUSING -- DEPUTY SECRETARY.

14:22:19 AND WE HEARD FROM ALI KENNINGTON AND SHARON RAPPORT ABOUT SOME INITIATIVES THAT MIGHT ADDRESS SOME OF THE HOUSING ISSUES...

14:22:27 OF PARTICULAR CONCERN TO LOW INCOME OLDER ADULTS AND PEOPLE WITH DISABILITIES.

14:23:35 OUT OF THAT, WE DECIDED THERE SHOULD BE A HOUSING WORK GROUP THAT WOULD -- AS SYNAN MENTIONED -- WOULD BE ABLE TO DRILL DOWN ONE OR MORE PROPOSALS. MAKE RECOMMENDATIONS. HAVE SPECIFIC FEEDBACK TO GIVE TO THE ADMINISTRATION ON WHAT IS NEEDED.

14:23:49 WANTED TO MAKE SURE HOUSING WORK GROUP WAS FOCUSED ON THE MPA GOALS --

14:23:56 ...

14:24:15 >> INCLUSION, ACCESS AND EQUITY. I WILL MENTION IN COMPLIANCE WITH THE SETTINGS RULE, SAYS WE MUST PROVIDE COMMUNITY-BASED SETTINGS FOR MEDICAID TO PROVIDE HOME AND COMMUNITY-BASED SERVICES.

14:24:22 NOW I'M GOING TO TURN IT OVER TO MARTY, WHO IS GOING TO TALK ABOUT THE NEXT SLIDE.

14:24:23 MARTY OMOTO.

14:25:01 >> THANKS, MARTY OMOTO. FAMILY MEMBER. BY THE WAY, SUSAN, YOU DID A REMARKABLE JOB YESTERDAY ON THE FIRST MEETING. BAPTISM BY FIRE. THANK YOU, PATTI AND ERIC. ON THIS WORK GROUP, WE ALL APPRECIATE THIS COMMITTEE IS ANXIOUS TO DO...

14:25:08 SUBSTANTIVE WORK THAT IS MEANINGFUL TO PEOPLE. HOUSING AS WE TALKED ABOUT IN THE LAST MEETING IS SO FOUNDATIONAL.

14:25:14 THERE'S FOUNDATIONAL PERSON-CENTERED, WHOLE PERSON ASPECTS TO THE WORK THAT WE DO.

14:25:17 HOUSING IS ONE OF THEM. TRANSPORTATION IS ANOTHER.

14:25:21 FOOD, SECURITY IS ANOTHER. SO IS HEALTH.

14:25:24 HOUSING, THOUGH IS SO FOUNDATIONAL.

14:25:30 EVERYTHING THAT WE DO REQUIRES A PERSON LIVES IN A HOME OR SETTING LIKE A HOME.

14:26:26 I'M GLAD THAT WE CAME TOGETHER IN THE LAST MEETING TO FOCUS ON THIS ISSUE BY CREATING A WORK GROUP THAT IS OPEN TO ALL COMMITTEE MEMBERS.

14:26:26 AND ALSO TO NON-COMMITTEE MEMBERS WHO HAVE EXPERTISE IN THE ISSUE.

14:26:35 WE DECIDED TO MAKE A COMMITMENT TO MEET EIGHT TIMES A YEAR.

14:27:03 WHAT I LIKE ABOUT THIS IS THAT -- I WORKED ON THE MASTER PLAN ON TWO SUBCOMMITTEES AND SUSAN WAS A HUGE LEADERSHIP ROLE. I LIKED -- WE DIVIDED SOME OF THE GOALS UP IN TWO WHAT WAS IMMEDIATELY ACHIEVABLE, MIDDLE TERM GOALS AND LONGER TERM GOALS. REASON FOR THAT, WE HAVE ALL WORKED AS ADVOCATES --

14:27:07 WE WORKED ON ASPIRATIONAL GOALS NEVER ACHIEVED.

14:27:23 COMMUNITIES THAT WE REPRESENT AND SPEAK FOR ARE SO DESPERATE. THE ISSUE OF HOUSING SO URGENT, WE HAD TO LOOK AT ACHIEVABLE VICTORIES.

14:27:46 WHAT I LIKED ABOUT THE MASTER PLAN, THERE WERE ACHIEVABLE GOALS THAT ACTUALLY IMPACTED PEOPLE WITH DISABILITIES -- OLDER CALIFORNIANS, PEOPLE WITH MENTAL HEALTH -- PEOPLE WHO ARE DEAF ACROSS ALL SYSTEMS. IT'S A GOOD EFFORT AND WELCOME ANYBODY ON THE COMMITTEE AND MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC WHO HAVE

14:27:51 EXPERTISE IN HOUSING AND PUT A WORD IN THE CHAT IF YOU ARE INTERESTED.

14:27:56 I THINK AMANDA -- AS A JOB OF GOING THROUGH THE CHAT AND LOCATING EVERYONE.

14:28:03 THANK YOU. PASSING ON TO MEGHANN.

14:28:05 >> CAN YOU HEAR ME?

14:28:08 >> THERE YOU ARE, MEGHAN.

14:28:34 >> THANK YOU SO MUCH TO SUSAN AND YOUR TEAM FOR LETTING DACLAC ROLL WITH THIS. NOW WE WANT TO HEAR FROM THE GROUP TO MAKE SURE WE'RE ON THE RIGHT TRACK WITH THIS.

14:28:40 AND THAT WE'RE -- FORMING THE SUBCOMMITTEE TO DO THE THINGS YOU HOPE IT WILL DO.

14:28:55 WITH THAT -- WILL TAKE COMMENTS.

14:29:03 >> SEE THERE'S A HAND UP? MEGHAN, I'M GOING TO LET YOU HANDLE --

14:29:05 >> ROBERT?

14:29:22 >> YES. GOOD AFTERNOON. SORRY FOR COMING IN LATE. I HAD THINGS TO DO HERE IN CLEARLAKE. I'M THE CONSUMER ADVOCATE FOR CALIFORNIA HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES AND AGING COMMUNITY.

14:29:32 I SIT AS A DISABLED CONSUMER REPRESENTATIVE FOR THE LAKE COUNTY COMMITTEE AND A CHAIRPERSON.

14:29:55 AND I'M RESIDENT OF THE CITY OF CLEARLAKE IN SOUTHERN LAKE COUNTY. GLAD BRING THE ISSUE UP OF HOUSING. HOUSING IS REALLY IMPORTANT. I JUST FOUND OUT THERE WERE A LOT OF PEOPLE IN MY CITY OF CLEARLAKE THAT HAD BEEN RELOCATED TO CLEARLAKE OAKS. MOST, PEOPLE WHO HAD BEEN HOMELESS.

14:30:14 AND A COUNTY LIKE OURS, HOUSING IS SOMETHING THAT IS REALLY IMPORTANT. I PUT IT IN THE CHAT BOX. I'M INTERESTED IN BEING PART OF THE SUBCOMMITTEE. LET ME KNOW IF YOU ARE GOING TO BE ANY E-MAILS OUT THERE... OF WHAT WE'RE GOING TO BE DISCUSSION AND FORWARDING TO THE COMMITTEE REGARDING THIS ISSUE.

14:30:19 I HAD A CHANCE IN THE PREVIOUS ADVISORY COMMITTEE TO BE PART OF THE HOUSING SUBCOMMITTEE.

14:30:31 WE ACCOMPLISHED A LOT. I HOPE WE CAN ACCOMPLISH A LOT IN THE CALIFORNIA HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES DISABILITY AND AGING COMMUNITY LIVING ADVISORY REGARDING HOUSING.

14:30:36 THAT IS SOMETHING IMPORTANT NOT ONLY FOR MYSELF. BUT FOR OTHERS ACROSS THE STATE.

14:30:47 >> THANK YOU. I LOVE YOUR ENTHUSIASM. WE TOO HOPE TO ACCOMPLISH A LOT WITH THE SUBCOMMITTEE.

14:30:50 >> THANK YOU SO MUCH.

14:31:03 >> SEEING NO OTHER COMMENTS. WILL HAND IT BACK TO YOU, PATTI.

14:31:20 >> THANK YOU. I GUESS WHAT I WILL SAY, YOU'LL BE HEARING FROM US. MARTY IS GOING TO TAKE THE LEAD HERE. AND WE CAN TALK ABOUT A CO-FACILITATOR. WE WANT TO KEEP MEETINGS EFFECTIVE.

14:31:23 I WON'T SAY SHORT. BUT CERTAINLY PRODUCTIVE.

14:31:27 AND GOAL ORIENTED.

14:31:43 I'M REALLY EXCITED BY THE LEVEL OF PARTICIPATION THAT WE'RE SEEING AND IF YOU CHANGE YOUR MIND AFTER HEARING THIS AND WANT TO PUT YOUR NAME IN THE CHAT, WILL KEEP TRACK OF THAT AS A WAY TO KNOW WHO WOULD LIKE TO BE PART OF IT.

14:31:47 I THINK WE HAVE ABOUT 12 PEOPLE RIGHT NOW, WHICH IS A GREAT SIZE.

14:31:57 BUT WELCOMING OTHERS AS WELL. MOST IMPORTANT THING, WE HAVE A REAL -- BROAD RANGE OF VOICES.

14:32:04 SO WE CAN REALLY REPRESENT THE RANGE OF COMMUNITY NEED AND INTEREST.

14:32:08 THANK YOU ALL.

14:32:19 >> I WANTED TO ADD QUICKLY -- MARTY OMOTO -- A SHUTOUT TO MICHELLE. WE HAVE MUTUAL FRIENDS THAT HAVE ALL BEEN ON THE EDGE OF BEING HOMELESS.

14:32:31 PEOPLE WITH DISABILITIES, WITH DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES -- MICHELLE AND I HAVE A MUTUAL FRIEND. I WAS GOING TO FOLLOW-UP ABOUT HER HOUSING SITUATION.

14:32:39 I WAS FACING EVICTION IN 2003. THERE'S SO MANY PEOPLE IN MY FAMILY OR OTHERS WHO ARE RIGHT ON THE EDGE.

14:33:01 SO THE -- OTHER THING THAT PATTI UNDERSCORED IN THE OTHER MEETINGS AND SO DID MEGHAN AND OTHERS -- THE SENSE OF URGENCY. IT'S NOT JUST SOMETHING WE JUST WANT TO DO -- IT'S URGENT, IMPACTING ALL OF US AND MANY IN OUR FAMILIES.

14:33:12 SO FOUNDATIONAL, APPRECIATE CO-CHAIRS OF THIS COMMITTEE -- SUSAN, ERIC AND PATTI FOR ALLOWING THIS TO HAPPEN IN THIS WAY.

14:33:23 BACK IN 2005 WHEN HOMESTEAD FIRST STARTED AND I WAS ON IT -- AND SARAH STEENHAUSEN WAS STAFFING IT, WE TRIED TO FORM SUBCOMMITTEES.

14:33:29 TOOK A WHILE BEFORE FOCUSING ON THE ISSUE OF HOUSING. SO HAPPY WE'RE DOING THAT NOW.

14:33:33 THANKS. BECAUSE IF YOU DON'T SIGN UP, WE'RE GOING TO DRAFT SOME OF YOU.

14:33:38 >> THANK YOU, MARTY. I THINK WE'RE READY TO MOVE ON.

14:33:54 >> I DON'T KNOW IF YOU WANT TO JUMP AND INTRODUCE JACEY.

14:34:26 >> I'M HAPPY TO WELCOME JACEY COOPER, CALIFORNIA'S MEDICAID DIRECTOR, SOMEBODY WHO HAS DONE A PHENOMENAL JOB IN RECENT YEARS WITH ALL THING

14:34:31 S MEDI-CAL.

14:35:26 SO WELCOME JACEY, SO GLAD YOU COULD SPEND TIME AND LOOKING FORWARD TO

14:35:26 HEARING FROM YOU.

14:35:30 >> I'M GOING TO GO A LITTLE FAST -- OVER SOME OF THE COMMUNITY-BASED SPENDING -- WEE PROVIDED LINKS IN THE POWER POINT -- AND ALL -- INFORMATION IS AVAILABLE

14:35:39 -- ESPECIALLY WHERE WE ARE SERVING SOME OF OUR MOST VULNERABLE CALIFORNIANS.

14:35:57 SO IT IS A VERY COMPREHENSIVE PROPOSAL. WHERE MULTIPLE DEPARTMENTS PARTICIPATED -- INCLUDES 28 INITIATIVES AROUND 3 BILLION IN ENHANCED FEDERAL FUNDING. AND 4.6 BILLION TOTAL FUNDS -- EXTENSIVE.

14:36:14 I WILL WALK THROUGH EACH OF THE MAIN CATEGORIES OF SERVICES. YOU WILL SEE -- INCLUDES FOCUS ON WORKFORCE. NAVIGATION SERVICES. TRANSITIONS, VARIETY OF SERVICES. AND REALLY ON THE INFRASTRUCTURE AND SUPPORT.

14:36:15 NEXT SLIDE.

14:36:22 REALLY, STARTING ON THE WORKFORCE SIDE OF THINGS.

14:36:35 I SHOULD MENTION -- NOT ALL OF THESE ARE LED BY DHCS. WANTED TO ACKNOWLEDGE THAT. THERE ARE SEVEN DEPARTMENTS LEADING AMAZING WORK IN THIS SPACE.

14:36:43 REALLY WANT TO ACKNOWLEDGE THAT SO THE DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES, OF COURSE THE DEPARTMENT OF AGING.

14:36:51 DEPARTMENT OF DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES, PUBLIC HEALTH, REHABILITATION AND THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTHCARE ACCESS INFORMATION.

14:39:30 OF COURSE THE INITIATIVE AROUND TRAUMATIC BRAIN INJURIES AS WELL. NEXT SLIDE. THE NEXT BUCKET OF INITIATIVES IS REALLY AROUND FOCUSING ON THE NAVIGATION PORTIONS OF HOME AND COMMUNITY BASED SERVICES. HERE, REALLY FOCUSING TO IMPROVE ACCESS TO HCBS SERVICES, THE INITIATIVES WORK TO DEVELOPMENT OF VARIETY OF STATEWIDE SYSTEMS.

14:39:38 INCLUDING SCREENING AND ASSESSMENT TOOLS AND REFERRALS AND NAVIGATION SYSTEMS, COORDINATION AND EWE SEE EVEN OUTREACH CAMPAIGNS.

14:40:05 SO, VARIETY OF INITIATIVES HERE RANGING FROM NO WRONG DOOR SYSTEMS TO DEMENTIA AWARE AND GERIATRIC DEMENTIA CONTINUING EDUCATION, LANGUAGE ACCESS AND WHAT WE CALL CAL BRIDGE, WHICH IS A BEHAVIORAL HEALTH PILOT AS WELL. SO YOU REALLY SEE VARIETY OF SERVICES BUILT WITHIN HERE BUT REALLY TRY TO INCREASE THE NAVIGATION POINT ACE CROSS THE SYSTEM.

14:40:36 MAKING SURE THOSE TRANSITIONS ARE HAPPENING SMOOTHLY. NEXT SLIDE. SPEAKING OF TRANSITIONS, REALLY IMPORTANT PART OF HOME AND COMMUNITY BASED SERVICES, SO, REALLY HERE, I THINK THE BULK OF WHAT A LOT OF PEOPLE SPEND THEIR TIME ON IS TWOFOLD. RIGHT, MAKING SURE THAT INDIVIDUALS WHO RESIDE IN THE COMMUNITY CAN RESIDE IN THE COMMUNITY AND HAVE APPROPRIATE AMOUNT OF WRAP AROUND SERVICES AROUND THEM.

14:40:45 THOSE TRANSITIONS CAN SMOOTHLY HAPPEN AND THEY HAVE THE NEEDED SERVICES AROUND THEM TO BE ABLE TO SUCCESSFULLY AND SAFELY LIVE IN THE COMMUNITY.

14:41:13 SO, HERE YOU WILL SEE A VARIETY OF INITIATIVES FOCUSED ON THOSE TYPES OF TRANSITIONS. YOU WILL SEE THAT THERE IS GOING TO BE SOME COMMUNITY BASED RESIDENTIAL CONTINUUM PILOTS. AS YOU MAY OR MAY NOT BE TRACKING, THERE IS A VARIETY OF DOLLARS OUT THERE NOW TO REALLY INCREASE THE FOOTPRINT IN REGARDS TO YOU KNOW ASSISTED LIVING TYPE ENVIRONMENTS. RCFE AND OTHERS.

14:41:31 WHERE WE WANT TO THINK ABOUT HOW WE COMPREHENSIVELY BUILD MOTTLES THAT AIM TO MAKE THOSE SUCCESSFUL AND TEST BUNDLES OF SERVICES WITHIN ONE PAYMENT. WE WILL BE PILOTING THOSE TYPES OF THINGS, EXPANDING HERE THE ASSISTED LIVING WAIVER WAIT LIST.

14:42:07 FOCUS ON HOUSING AND HOMELESSNESS PROGRAMS, WITH A CROSS OVER LENS WITH OLDER ADULTS AND INDIVIDUALS WITH DISABILITIES AND REALLY FOCUSING ON THE COMMUNITY CARE EXPANSION PROGRAM AS WELL. DHCS AND DSS PARTNERING IN THAT WITH OUR BEHAVIORAL HEALTH CONTINUUM INFRASTRUCTURE PROPRO SAL AS WELL. MAXIMIZING THE SERVICES THE ALU FOR THE SMOOTH TRANSITIONS FOR INDIVIDUALS WHO ARE OLDER ADULTS WITH DISABILITIES AND HOMELESS INDIVIDUAL ANDS REALLY FINDING THOSE OPPORTUNITIES TO STAY SAFELY IN TH.

14:42:23 NEXT SLIDE. AND THEN A LAUNDRY LIST OF SUPPORTS, REALLY THIS IS AIMED AT MAKING SURE THAT WE WERE PUTTING VARIOUS INFRASTRUCTURE INVESTMENTS IN PLACE THE REALLY GROW HOME AND COMMUNITY BASED SERVICES.

14:42:38 YOU WILL SEE A LONG LIST THERE, AM NOT GOING TO READ THEM ALL, BUT THEY ARE THERE, BUT REALLY IMPORTANT INFRASTRUCTURE INVESTMENTS TO MAKE SURE WE ARE BUILDING FOR THE LONG TERM AND NOT JUST THE SHORT TERM.

14:43:09 SO, REALLY EXCITED ABOUT MANY OF THE INVESTMENTS WITHIN THE HOME AND COMMUNITY BASED SERVICE PLAN. NEXT SLIDE. I GUESS WE HAVE, I DON'T KNOW IF I MESSED UP ON THE SLIDES, I SHOULD HAVE SAID NEXT, BUT HERE IS A LIST, SORRY FOR THAT PARTICULAR PIECE, NEXT SLIDE. ALL RIGHT. SO TO BIG INTO CAL AIM.

14:43:34 SO, HERE, WE ARE VERY EXCITED TO SAY HERE IN 2022 TO SAY WE HAVE APPROVED 1115, AND 1915 B WAIVER IN CALIFORNIA. WE AT THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH CARE SERVICES LED EXTENSIVE DISCUSSIONS AND NEG HERBUATIONS WITH CMS IN REGARDS TO THIS WAIVER.

14:43:59 AND WHILE IT IS VERY LARGE, INCORPORATES ALL OF THE VARIOUS COMPONENTS OF CAL AIM, FOR TODAY'S PRESENTATION I AM BEGINNING TO FOCUS ON A SUBSET OF THOSE PROPOSALS TO HIGHLIGHT THEM FOR YOU. NEXT SLIDE, PERFECT. SO REALLY CAL AIM IS REALLY MEANT TO TRANSFORM OUR MAD CAL DELIVERY SYSTEM, EVERYBODY KNOWS NO MEDI-CAL.

14:44:17 THE SYSTEM YOU KNOW YOU GET A BIG CARD TO ENROLL INTO MEDI-CAL AND COULD BE ACCESSING ANYWHERE FROM 6 OR 7 PLUS DIFFERENT DELIVERY SYSTEMS AT ANY DIFFERENT TIME. MEDI-CAL MANAGED CARE, MENTAL HEALTH PLANS, SUBSTANCE USE, DENTAL, IHSS.

14:44:38 IF YOU ARE A CHILD WITH COMPLEX MEDICAL CONDITIONS, CCS, REALLY EXPANDS ACROSS AND REALLY THINKING ABOUT HOW WE BRING THOSE THINGS TOGETHER. THAT WHILE WE MAY NOT BE ABLE TO YOU KNOW BREAK DOWN THE SILOS OF THOSE THINGS, REALLY THINKING ABOUT HOW WE MAKE OUR SYSTEM MORE INTEGRATED AND MORE FOCUSED ON THE NEEDS OF THE WHOLE PERSON.

14:45:12 SO WE REALLY ARE TRYING TO REDUCE SOME OF THAT VARIATION THAT WEAVE SEEN ACROSS THE STATE AND WRAP AROUND SERVICES THAT REALLY MEET ALL OF THE NEEDS OF THE BENEFICIARIES, REALLY FOCUSES ON ENGAGING WITH PROVIDERS AND TRUSTED PARTNERS, INCLUDING THE MANAGED CARE PLANS, AND COMMUNITY SUPPORTS AND PROACTIVE UPSTREAM IN THE SYSTEM. NOT JUST WAITING FOR A CRISIS OR INSTITUTIONAL, OR IN A INSTITUTION. REALLY GETTING MORE UPSTREAM.

14:45:24 MAKING SURE WE BUILD THE FULL CONTINUUM FROM BIRTH TO DI ANY FIED END OF LIFE AND MAKE SURE WE SPAN RESOURCE ACROSS THAT.

14:45:52 LAUNDRY LIST OF THE VARIOUS KIND OF INITIATIVES APPROVED IN THE WAIVER, NOT GOING TO READ IT, THERE FOR YOU TO BE ABLE, YOU SEE IT'S ACROSS ALL OF THE VARIOUS DELIVERY SYSTEMS, WHERE WE MADE SUBSTANTIVE CHANGES AND LOOK FORWARD TO ROLLING IT OUT OVER THE NEXT FEW YEARS TO MOVE THE NEEDLE IN REGARDS TO SERVICES AND MEDI-CAL. NEXT SLIDE. SO, ENHANCED CARE MANAGEMENT, THIS IS ONE OF THE CORNER STONES OF CAL AIM, IT'S REALLY AROUND.

14:46:05 YOU KNOW LEVERAGING VIFRJS WHO HAVE YOU KNOW REALLY COMPLEX NEEDS, MAKING SURE THEY ARE GETTING INTENSIVE ENHANCED CARE COORDINATION SERVICES.

14:46:25 WE OFTEN HEAR DESCRIBED AS NOT THE TYPE OF SERVICE WHERE A CASE MANAGER CALLED SOMEONE ON THE PHONE, MEANT TO BE OUTSIDE OF THE FOUR WALLS OF HEALTH CARE, WHERE A

INDIVIDUAL IS GOING INTO SOMEONE'S HOME, AND MEETING THEM ON THE STREET. WE IDENTIFIED A LIST OF PRIORITY POPULATIONS.

14:46:47 AND REALLY THAT IS TO SAY YOU KNOW THE HIGHEST NEEDED INDIVIDUALS PEOPLE AT A INSTITUTIONAL LEVEL OF CARE THAT WANT TO TRANSITION INTO COMMUNITY OR SOMEBODY WITHIN THE COMMUNITY WITHOUT SERVICES MAY NEED TO GO INTO A INSTITUTIONAL LEVEL OF CARE AND TRYING TO KEEP THEM TO REMAIN SAFELY IN THE COMMUNITY AS THEY WOULD LIKE TO.

14:47:08 ALSO FOR INDIVIDUALS EXPERIENCING HOMELESSNESS OR INDIVIDUALS WHO ARE HIGH USERS. REALLY THE IDEA BEHIND ENHANCED CARE MANAGEMENT IS MOST COMPLEX BENEFICIARIES WHO NEED HIGHER LEVEL TOUCH AND ACROSS SYSTEMS. NOT JUST MEDICAL SERVICES BUT ALL OF THE SOCIAL SERVICES THEY MAY NEED.

14:47:39 REALLY COORDINATING ALL OF THOSE VARIOUS ASPECTS. SO, HERE YOU SEE TWO OF THE POPULATIONS THAT REALLY HAVE A CROSS OVER HERE, MANY INTERSECTIONS. SO, INDIVIDUALS AT RISK OF INSTITUTIONALIZATION WHO ARE ELIGIBLE FOR LONG TERM CARE SERVICES. WHO IN THE ABSENCE OF THOSE SERVICES AND SUPPORTS WOULD OTHERWISE REQUIRE CARE FOR A 90 DAY CONSECUTIVELY.

14:47:54 ALSO SEE HERE SOMEONE WHO IS A NURSING FACILITY RESIDENT WHO IS A CANDIDATE TO TRANSITION. TRYING TO DO PREVENTION AS WELL AS TRANSITION WITH ENHANCED CARE MANAGEMENT, YOU SEE A LOT OF THIS IN THE 1915 C WAIVERS.

14:48:21 ONE OF THE NICE THINGS ABILITY IT BEING IN THE SAW AUTHORITY WE WERE ABLE TO GET, LET'S US ENGAGE NOT ANSEL AS INSTITUTIONAL LEVEL OF CARE, REALLY IMPORTANT, OFTENTIMES IN 1915 C WAIVER YOU HAVE TO MEET A INSTITUTIONAL LEVEL OF CARE, THERE ARE COMMUNITY ENROLLMENTS AS WELL. BUT STILL AT THAT LEVEL OF CARE, THIS GIVES US FLEXIBILITY IN WHO WE TARGET TO BE UPSTREAM. AND TO REALLY ALLOW US TO DO SOME OF THAT. .

14:49:03 NEXT SLIDE. SAME CONCEPT EXISTS WITH THE COMMUNITY SUPPORTS. SO YOU SEE WHEN I GO THROUGH SOME OF THE COMMUNITY SUPPORTS. 14 OF THEM APPROVED. THESE ARE OTHERWISE IN LIEU OF, ANOTHER STATE PLAN SERVICE, SO, IN PATIENT STAY, EMERGENCY ROOM VISIT, SKILLED NURSING FACILITY STAY, REALLY PROVIDING SERVICES TO SOMEBODY THAT WOULD OTHERWISE BE IN A MORE COSTLY ENVIRONMENT. THEY HAVE TO BE MEDICALLY APPROPRIATE AND COST EFFECTIVE AND WE HAD TO DO A LOT OF CONVERSATIONS WITH CMS TO INCLUDE T

14:49:39 LIKE YOU NORMALLY SEE IN THE 1915 C WAIVER WITH WRAP SERVICES FOR SOMEBODY BUT ALLOWING THE INDIVIDUAL TO RECEIVE THEM, GOES THROUGH THE MANAGED CARE PLAN TO BE CLEARED. IF THE CARE PLAN OPTED TO YOU KNOW PICK UP COMMUNITY SUPPORTS. BUT, AGAIN, DOESN'T NECESSARILY HAVE TO BE AT THE INSTITUTIONAL LEVEL OF CARE, WHICH YOU OFTEN SEE ON THE OTHER WAIVERS. REALLY ALLOWS YOU TO, ALONG AS IT'S APPROPRIATE AND COST EFFECTIVE, THROUGH THE EVALUATION, WE WOULD BE ABLE TO PROVIDE SERVICES. SO, I W

14:50:11 PERFECT, YOU ARE GOOD, THANK YOU SO MUCH. SO, YOU KNOW, ONE OF THE EXAMPLES, WHILE WE PAY FOR ENHANCED CARE MANAGEMENT FOR SOMEBODY AT RISK OF INSTITUTIONALIZATION OR TRANSITIONING HOME, THIS COMMUNITY SUPPORT WOULD ACTUALLY PAY FOR SOMEBODY TO RESIDE IN ASSISTED LIVING FACILITY AS WELL. OFTENTIMES THERE IS WRAP

SERVICES. MEDICAID CANNOT PAY ROOM AND BOARD, NOT CHANGING THOSE RULES TO BE TRANSPARENT WITH EVERYBODY.

14:50:41 DOES ALLOW FOR SOMEONE TO TRANSITION, OFTENTIMES THAT WRAP PAYMENT REQUIRED. IT WOULD BE ABLE TO BE COVERED WITH THE COMMUNITY SUPPORTS AS LONG AS THE MANAGED CARE PLAN IS OFFERING THIS PARTICULAR SERVICE, NEXT SLIDE. ALSO, WE PAY FOR THOSE TRANSITIONS, SAY SOMEBODY IS IN A SKILLED NURSING FACILITY, AND IDENTIFIED A A GOOD CANDIDATE, PAYING FOR THOSE TRANSITIONS.

14:51:14 SOMETHING MOST PEOPLE KNOW HERES, MONEY FOLLOWS THE PESH PERSON, CCT IN CALIFORNIA. MAKING THAT AVAILABLE STATEWIDE AND ALLOWING THEM TO HAPPEN. REALLY HAPPY TO SEE THIS APPROVED BY CMS TO ALLOW MASS FLEXIBILITY FOR CALIFORNIA TO MEET THE NEEDS OF INDIVIDUALS. NEXT SLIDE. YOU ALSO SEE RESPITE SERVICES.

14:51:46 RESPITE FOR CAREGIVERS, AND IT IS AVAILABLE BOTH WITHIN SOMEONE'S HOME AS WELL AS IN A FACILITY. COMBINATION OF BOTH IS AVAILABLE WE HAVE SOMETHING SEPARATE CALLED YOU KNOW, RECOOP RATIVE CARE, WHICH IS MEDICAL RESPITE AND LOOKS LIKE THAT MAY BE THE SLIDE WE HAVE HERE, I WOULD MENTION WHAT WE SHOULD HAVE INCLUDED IS ALSO THE CAREGIVER RESPITE. WE HAVE BOTH FOR SOMEONE EXPERIENCING HOMELESSNESS, WE COVER THE CARE OR MEDICAL RESPITE.

14:52:06 BUT WE ALSO HAVE CAREGIVER RESPITE FOR SOMEBODY WHO FOR EXAMPLE MAY HAVE DEMENTIA OR ALZHEIMER'S OR OTHERS OR CHILD WITH COMPLEX MEDICAL CONDITIONS, AND TA ARE NEEDING SOMEONE TO COME TO THE HOME AND REPRIEVE FOR A PERIOD OF TIME THAT WOULD BE ALLOWABLE IF THE MANAGED CARE PLAN IS OFFERING IT.

14:52:18 NEXT SLIDE, WE ALSO ARE OFFERING PERSONAL CARE IN HOMEMAKER SERVICES. WHAT I WOULD SAY HERE IS THIS IS SEPARATE FROM IHSS TO BE REALLY CLEAR.

14:52:28 LIKE WE DO IN HOME AND COMMUNITY BASED ALTERNATIVES WAIVER, WHERE WE PROVIDE ADDITIONAL PERJ CARE SERVICES ABOVE AND BEYOND WHAT IHSS COVERS.

14:52:46 THE SAME CONCEPT IS WHAT WE ARE TALKING ABOUT HERE, SO, IF SOMEBODY HAS MAXED OUT THE IHSS AND NEED A LITTLE BIT MORE TO RESIDE SAFELY IN THE COMMUNITY, THESE COMMUNITY SUPPORTS WOULD BE ABLE TO COVER THAT AS WELL. ESPECIALLY FOR SOMEBODY WHO IS FOR EXAMPLE NOT ENROLLED IN 1915 C WAIVER.

14:53:15 THAT IS SOMETHING I SHOULD MAKE REALLY CLEAR HERE, YOU CANNOT RECEIVE THE COMMUNITY SUPPORTS AND BE ENROLLED IN 1915 C WAIVER, FOR SOMEONE NOT OTHER WISED ENROLLED IN THE WAIVERS, GOOD PIECE FOR ME TO ADD. NEXT ONE HERE IS AROUND HOME MODIFICATIONS, KEEPING SOMEONE SAFELY RESIDING IN HOME AND MAKING SURE THAT YOU TO IF THEY NEED A BAR IN THE SHOWER, SO THEY DON'T SLIP OR A RAMP OR MODIFICATION NEEDED.

14:53:39 THESE WOULD BE AVAILABLE TO BE IMPLEMENTED UNDER THE COMMUNITY SUPPORTS. SEW THOSE WERE SOME OF THE SUPPORTS AS I MENTIONED 14, AND LIST OF HOUSING AND DMAV DPAGSS SERVICES. AND MEDICALLY TAILORED IN MEALS AND FOOD. .

14:53:53 WE GAVE YOU LINKS IN THE PRESENTATION TO NAVIGATE ALL OF THE VARIOUS PIECES. I THINK THE NEXT BIG PART I WOULD MENTION IS YOU KNOW WE PLAN ON CARVING IN LONG TERM CARE TO MANAGED CARE STATEWIDE.

14:54:12 JANUARY 1, 2023. CURRENTLY WE HAVE LONG TERM CARE CARVED INTO OUR MANAGED CARE PLAN IN 27 COUNTIES INCLUDING 7 CCI AND 20 CLOSED COUNTIES. COUNTY ORGANIZED HEALTH SYSTEMS.

14:54:31 THOSE ARE COUNTIES WE HAVE ONE PLAN CURRENTLY PROVIDING SERVICES IN THAT COUNTY. AND STARTING IN 2023. ALL MANAGED CARE PLANS ARE RESPONSIBLE FOR COVERING LONG TERM CARE.

14:55:13 WHY IT'S SO IMPORTANT TO MAKE SURE COMMUNITY SUPPORTS GAVE THE MANAGED CARE PLANS ALL THE TOOLS AND PIECES THEY NEED TO BE ABLE TO HAVE THE RESPONSIBILITY OF THAT CARVED IN AND WE HEARD A LOT FROM MANY CCI COUNTIES WHO HAD IT FOR A LONG TIME. JUST THE IMPORTANCE OF NEEDING THAT VARIETY OF LONG TERM SERVICES AND SUPPORTS. TO SUPPORT INDIVIDUALS THROUGH THE FULL CONTINUUM OF CARE, WE HAVE BEEN NEEDING A LARGE NUMBER OF COLLABORATIVE MEETINGS.

14:55:58 OUR TEAMS WILL CONTINUE TO MEET WITH PEOPLE AND ENGAGE AND PROVIDE FEEDBACK TO MAKE SURE WE DO THIS RIGHT. DUAL ELIGIBLES, SO, HERE WE ALSO HAVE ANNOUNCED THAT WE ARE MAKING A PRETTY LARGE CHANGE. SO, EFFECTIVE 2022 WE HAVE PERMITTED MEDICARE PLAN CHOICE TO DRIVE MEDICAL PLAN CHOICE, THAT IS A PHASE IN OVER TIME. IN CERTAIN COUNTIES WHERE A MEMBER, OR MEDICAL PLAN CHOICE ALIGNS WITH THE PLAN. REALLY SOMEBODY PICKS.

14:56:31 HAVING MEDICARE DRIVE THE MEDICAL PLAN CHOICE ALIGNMENT, REALLY WANTING DIRECT ALIGNED ENROLLMENT FOR THE SERVICES, REALLY STARTED IN JANUARY OF 23, EXCLUSIVELY ALIGNED ENROLLMENT, IN THE COUNTIES, SOMEBODY WHO SELECTS THE PLAN, IF THERE IS A MEDICAL MANAGED CARE PLAN, THERE WILL BE ONE IN ALL OF THE COUNTIES, WE WILL ENROLL THE INDIVIDUAL SO THERE IS INTEGRATED CARE FOR THEM. AND THEN WE ARE PLANNING TO ROLL OUT OUR DSNP PROPOSAL.

14:57:15 TO NONCCI COUNTIES IN LATER YEARS, I THINK IT'S SCHEDULED FOR 2026 IF I BELIEVE THAT IS CORRECT. I KNOW THAT WAS A LOT OF INFORMATION IN A SHORT AMOUNT OF TIME, (INAUDIBLE) MORE COORDINATED AND INTEGRATED MANAGED LONG TERM SERVICES AND SUPPORTS ACROSS THE ENTIRE STATE.

14:57:30 IT WON'T HAPPEN OVER NIGHT I PROMISE YOU THAT, BUT WE DO KNOW AND HAVE A LARGE COMMITMENT FROM THE MANAGED CARE PLANS TO BRING UP THE COMMUNITY SUPPORTS OVER THE NEXT FEW YEARS AND HAVE A SCHEDULE FOR EVERY COUNTY.

14:57:53 TO SEE WHERE THE COMMUNITY SUPPORTS ARE COMING UP, AND THEY COME UP EVERY SIX MONTHS, WE HAVE A CHUNK THAT WENT LIVE JANUARY OF 2022. ANOTHER GROUP OF THEM COMING UP IN JULY OF 22. AND THEN 23. SO FORTH, WE ONLY LISTED THE SCHEDULE ONLINE, UNTIL 24. BUT JUST REALLY SHOWS A LARGE COMMITMENT. AND YOU WILL SEE.

14:58:27 SOME OF THE MANAGED CARE PLANS ARE NOT BRINGING UP MORE ROUTINE SERVICES UNTIL LATER. CLOSER TO THE 23. AND I THINK THAT REALLY HAS TO DO WITH THE ALIGNMENT OF THE

LONG TERM CARE CARVED IN AND MAKING SURE THEY HAVE TIME TO BUILD THOSE RELATIONSHIPS OVER TIME. WE ARE SEEING A PHASE IN AT THIS POINT.

14:58:46 I WILL STOP THERE I DON'T KNOW IF YOU, OR HOW YOU WANT TO DO QUESTIONS OR IF YOU ARE GOING TO GO RIGHT INTO DISCUSSION AND I CAN STAY FOR THAT DISCUSSION PART AS WELL IF HELPFUL.

14:58:54 >> THANK YOU SO MUCH, FANTASTIC TO HEAR YOUR SUMMARIES OF THE WORK THAT IS GOING ON. WE ARE GOING TO LEAD A LITTLE BIT OF Q AND A AND DISCUSSION.

14:59:35 THERE IS A FEW MEMBERS THAT WILL BE A REACTOR PANEL, BEFORE WE BEGIN, I WANT TO SEE IF PATTY FROM JUSTICE AND AGING WANTS TO MAKE A FEW REMARKS BEFORE WE START THE DISCUSSION. OKAY, I DON'T HEAR FROM HER, WE WILL KEEP GOING. YOU KNOW, I WANT TO START BY FIRST THANKING YOU FOR STAYING FOR DISCUSSION, I THINK THERE IS A LOT OF GREAT QUESTIONS AND COMMENTS THAT THE MEMBERS WILL HAVE, WONDERING IF BEFORE WE GET INTO DISCUSSION AND Q AND A FROM ALL OF THE MEMBERS. A LOT OF WHAT YOU TOUCHED ON

14:59:54 FOR THIS COMMUNITY OF BUILDING PARTNERSHIPS ACROSS AGING ACROSS DISABILITY AND ALSO WITH MANAGED CARE PLANS AND PARTICULARLY BUILDING OUT CAPACITY IN DEVELOPING COMMUNITY SUPPORTS. AND FOR MUCH OF THIS COMMUNITY THE RELATIONSHIPS HAVEN'T BEEN BUILT WITH THE MANAGED CARE ENTITIES.

15:00:18 AT THE SAME TIME YOU KNOW I KNOW THERE IS TREMENDOUS OPPORTUNITIES AND FUNDING AND INVESTMENTS PLACED IN TRYING TO BUILD CAPACITY STATEWIDE THROUGH THE PATH FUNDS AS AN EXAMPLE. I WAS WONDERING IF YOU COULD TALK WHEN WE GO INTO Q AND A RIGHT NOW, FIRST TALK ABOUT THE OPPORTUNITIES FOR INFRASTRUCTURE DEVELOPMENT AND REALLY IMPORTANTLY WHAT'S YOUR ADVICE TO OUR LOCAL PARTNERS.

15:01:06 ON HOW THEY CAN ENGAGE AND BE PART OF IT SO THEY, TOO ARE PART OF THIS OPPORTUNITY TO WEAVE IN SOCIAL SERVICES AND SUPPORTS INTO THE MEDI-CAL DELIVERY SYSTEM. WE SHOULD HAVE HAD A SLIDE ON IT. ONE THING YOU ARE DOING, WHEN YOU MAKE THIS MUCH CHANGE IN A PROGRAM WHERE HE KNOW WE NEED NEW PARTNERS, WE KNOW THEY ARE PARTNERS NOT USED TO MEDICAID RULES. WE DID DO PLANNING IN REGARDS TO THAT TO ANTICIPATE, WE PUT IN PATH FUNDS INTO THE WAIVER, CMS DID APPROVE IT. AND ALLOWS US TO PROVIDE DIR

15:01:33 TO PROVIDERS. DIRECTLY FROM THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH CARE SERVICES, ACTUALLY NOT THROUGH THE MANAGED CARE PLANS, YOU HAVE TO HAVE A COMMITMENT TO BE A PARTNER WITH THE MANAGED CARE PLAN, IDEA IS BUILD THE INFRASTRUCTURE IN PARTNERSHIP WITH A CONTRACT WITH THE MANAGED CARE PLAN, WE WILL BE ABLE TO HELP SUPPORT PROVIDERS TAKE ON ENHANCED CARE MANAGEMENT PORTION.

15:02:00 OR THE VARIOUS COMMUNITY SUPPORTS, AND BE ABLE THE FUND THEM. MAYBE FOR EXAMPLE THEY NEED TO DO, PROVIDE A SIMILAR SERVICE BUT ONLY HAVE A CAPACITY WITHIN THEIR PROGRAM FOR A HUNDRED, AND WANT TO GROW TO BE ABLE TO PROVIDE SERVICES TO 300, TO DO THAT THEY NEED DOLLARS AND INFRASTRUCTURE. WHETHER IT'S SYSTEMS OR WORKFORCE. WE KNOW THAT IT'S GOING TO BE REALLY HARD FOR PROVIDERS TO TAKE RISK TO DO SOME OF THESE THINGS.

15:02:28 WE WANT TO REMOVE THAT AS A BARRIER AND PROVIDE GRANTS DIRECTLY TO PROVIDERS AND WOULD BE FOR ANY OF THE COMMUNITY SUPPORTS. NOW CAVEAT IS WHERE THE MANAGED CARE PLAN IS OFFERING THAT OR PLANS TO OFFER IT. AND WHERE THERE IS A COMMITMENT OF THE PARTNERSHIP, BECAUSE WE WANT TO FUND PROVIDERS WHO ARE GOING TO BE PART OF THE MEDICAL NETWORK AND PROVIDING SERVICES AND PARTNERSHIP WITH THE MANAGED CARE PLAN. BUT ALSO WITH PATH FUNDS.

15:02:51 WE WILL BE FUNDING LOCAL COLLABORATION DOLLARS, SO ALL OF THE RIGHT PEOPLE CAN GET TO THE TABLE AND HAVE CONVERSATIONS, AS WELL AS TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE, SAY YOU ARE SMALLER AND DON'T KNOW WHERE TO START, YOU WOULD BE ABLE TO DRAW DOWN FUNDS AND BRING ON A CONSULTANT OR SOMEBODY TO HELP YOU BUILD THAT ROAD MAP.

15:03:07 THE DOLLARS CAN GO FOR TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE OR WORKFORCE TRAINING, ET CETERA. IF WE WANT LONG TERM SERVICES AND SUPPORTS STATEWIDE WE KNOW IT'S A IMPORTANT INVESTMENT, YOU KNOW, OUR PROPOSAL TO CMS WAS ABOUT 1.8 BILLION FOR THIS INVESTMENT.

15:03:21 A PORTION OF THAT IS DEDICATED TO OUR JUSTICE PROPOSAL IN CAL AIM, BUT MAJORITY OF THAT IS FOCUSED ON MAKING THE COMMUNITY SUPPORTS ENHANCED CARE MANagements SUCCESSFUL, I HOPE I ANSWERED YOUR QUESTION.

15:04:08 >> THAT WAS SUPERHELPFUL, ASSUMING THAT DHCS PUT OUT INFORMATION ON THE PATH AND NEXT STEPS WE WILL FIND THE LINKS AND PUT THEM MANY THE CHAT OR Q AND A SO PEOPLE WITH HAVE THEM. I THINK IT'S PART OF THE BEGINNING. I WANT TO START FIRST WITH JENNY, WITH THE CALIFORNIA IN HOME SUPPORTIVE SERVICES CONSUMER ALLIANCE, WELCOME, AND THEN FOLLOW UP. WELCOME.

15:04:25 >> THANK YOU NICE TO SEE YOU, COUPLE OF QUESTIONS, TWO QUESTIONS, ONE IS WHAT IS YOUR OUTREACH METHOD AND HAVE YOU STARTED TO THE COUNTIES AND TO NOT NECESSARILY THE NONPROFIT ORGANIZATIONS THAT WOULD BE INTERESTED IN THIS AND PLANS.

15:04:54 BUT THE ACTUAL COUNTY INVOLVEMENT ITSELF, BECAUSE THEY ARE NOT (INAUDIBLE), MY NEXT QUESTION IS WHAT ABOUT THE RURAL COMMUNITIES THAT DON'T HAVE INFRASTRUCTURE THAT DON'T HAVE THESE SERVICES, CAN THEY JOIN TOGETHER. DO YOU HAVE PLANS TO HELP THEM GET IT GOING.

15:05:10 >> GREAT QUESTIONS, ON THE FIRST ONE WE JUST GOT APPROVAL FROM CMS WE ARE RAPIDLY WORKING TO BUILD THE INFRASTRUCTURE FOR THE GRANTS, WE HAVE TO BUILD THE APPLICATIONS AND PARAMETERS AND TECHNICALLY STILL DOING PROTOCOLS TO BE CLEAR.

15:05:35 ONCE WE WRAP THOSE THINGS UP, WE ARE ALSO IN THE PROCESS OF IDENTIFYING A THIRD PARTY ADMINISTRATOR WHO CAN HELP US TOUCH ALL OF THE STATE, WE NEED PEOPLE ON THE GROUND IN SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA AND CENTRAL VALLEY AND COAST, AND NORTHERN CALIFORNIA AND RURAL AREAS FOR EXAMPLE, RIGHT, WE ARE TRYING AND WILL BE WORKING TO IDENTIFY A TPA WHO CAN HELP US GET THE WORD OUT.

15:06:07 DO THE OUT REACH AND ENGAGE THE RIGHT PEOPLE. SO WE ARE WORKING ON THOSE EFFORTS. WHY WE ADDED A PORTION OF DOLLARS FOR TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE TO BRING A CONSULTANT IN AND DO THINGS FOR THE DOLLARS THAT WOULD BE AVAILABLE FOR THEM WHERE

THEY MAY NOT OTHERWISE HAVE STAFF WHERE THEY DEDICATE TIME TO BUILD APPLICATION AND DO SOMETHING.

15:06:17 WANT TO BE FLEXIBLE,

15:06:37 >> THANK YOU SO MUCH, I WANT A PLUG FOR EVERYBODY HERE, THERE WILL BE A WEBINAR ON MARCH 9 FROM 10-11, ONE HOUR WEBINAR FOCUSING ON THE ISSUE OF PARTNERSHIP BUILDING ACROSS MANAGED CARE HEALTH PLANS AND AGING AND DISABILITY. PROVIDERS IN THE COMMUNITY LEVEL.

15:07:03 FIGURE OUT WHERE ARE PROMISING PRACTICES AND HOW CAN YOU ALL PLAY A ROLE IN THE ROLL OUT OF CAL AIM. I'M GOING TO NINA AND SHERI. I

15:07:31 >> I HAVE A COUPLE OF QUESTIONS, I THOUGHT I HEARD HER SAY THE WAIVER WOULD NOT COVER ROOM AND BOARD, RINGS A BELL BASED ON SOMEBODY I WAS HELPING IN TENNESSEE. IS THAT WHAT YOU SAID. DID I MISUNDERSTAND YOU?

15:07:35 >> WE ARE NOT ALLOWED TO PAY FOR ACTUAL ROOM AND BOARD.

15:08:04 >> THAT WOULD POSE A PROBLEM FOR SOMEBODY WHO IS EXTREMELY LOW INCOME, THAT'S THE FIRST QUESTION, THEN NEXT QUESTION I HAVE, ALSO CHECKING MY UNDERSTANDING, I THOUGHT I HEARD YOU SAY. THAT THERE WOULD BE RESPITE COVERED FOR CAREGIVERS

15:08:23 >> THEY ARE AT THE OPTION OF THE MANAGED CARE PLAN, WHY WE HAVE POSTED ALL MANAGED CARE PLANS BY COUNTY AND WHO IS COVERED WHAT. MANAGED CARE PLANS ARE ALSO REQUIRED TO INDICATE ON THE PUBLIC WEBSITE WHICH OF THE COMMUNITY SUPPORTS THEY COVER, AND THEN PUT IT IN THE MEMBER HANDBOOK.

15:08:49 SO THAT THE MEMBERS ARE AWARE OF WHAT IS BEING COVERED IN THEIR PARTICULAR COUNTY. BUT SINCE WE ARE BUILDING IT UP OVER TIME IT DOES VARY. AT THIS POINT, THE GOAL OF COURSE IS TO GET ALL COMMUNITY SPORES IN EVERY COUNTY ACROSS THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA. THAT WILL TAKE TIME. WE DON'T WANT TO YOU KNOW, WE WANT TO BE ABLE TO LET THE COUNTIES WHO WANT TO COME OUT STRONG COME OUT STRONG.

15:09:22 REALLY GET SERVICES OUT THERE. THAT IS WHAT I MEANT BY THAT. THIS IS DIFFERENT THAN A MANDATORY MEDICAID BENEFIT THAT IS AVAILABLE IN EVERY COUNTY STATEWIDE. AT THE ELECTION OF THE MANAGED CARE PLAN TO OFFER IT, ASK TRY TO MAKE IT TRANSPARENT, AND ONCE THEY OFFER IT, ALL OF THE PROTECTIONS KICK IN. THEY ARE TO LET IT UNDER

15:09:28 >> I HAVE SPOKEN TO YOUR STAFF, THANK YOU FOR YOUR CLARIFICATION.

15:09:29 >> OF COURSE

15:09:45 >> THANK YOU SO MUCH, FOR THAT I AM GOING TO TURN NOW TO THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF THE SILICONE VALLEY INDEPENDENT LIVING CENTERS, WE ARE AT THE LOCAL LEVEL WITH THE HEALTH PLANS AND NETWORK THERE TO TRY TO BUILD CAPACITY.

15:09:59 WE WOULD LOVE TO HEAR FROM YOU AS WHAT WE SEE AS LESSONS LEARNED IN OTHER POINTS YOU WOULD LIKE TO KNOW.

15:10:22 >> A LOT OF INFORMATION AND A LOT HAPPENING, SO YOU KNOW SARAH KICKED US OFF HERE, TALKING ABOUT HOW TO EXPAND A LOT OF THE PARTNERSHIPS, I THINK BEYOND THE TRADITIONAL MEDICAL SYSTEMS AND HEALTH CARE SYSTEMS YOU TALKED A LOT ABOUT THE IMPORTANCE OF COMMUNITY SUPPORTS I FOR ONE APPRECIATE CHANGING THE TERM.

15:10:53 MAKES MORE SENSE. INCORPORATES A LOT OF THE SOCIAL HEALTH AND PEER SUPPORT BEING PART OF THAT. TO THAT POINT IS THAT THE CENTERS FOR INDEPENDENT LIVING AND I OPERATE THE ONE IN SANTA CLARA COUNTY. HAVE BEEN DOING A LOT OF TRANSITION SERVICES OVER THE YEARS ALONG WITH MANY OTHER SERVICES WE PROVIDE ANYWHERE FROM 8-12 DIFFERENT KINDS OF SERVICES ALL WHICH FIT WITHIN THE FIVE MPA GOALS.

15:11:13 AND IT'S BEEN A SOMEWHAT DIFFICULT OVER THE PASTIER OR TWO FOR A LOT OF THE COMMUNITY BASEDED ORGANIZATIONS AND SPECIFICALLY INDEPENDENT LIVING CENTERS TO GET THE PARTNERSHIPS GOING WITH THE MCO IN THE AREA.

15:11:40 EXCLUDEING THOSE OF US THAT HAVE HAD THE THE WONDERFUL OPPORTUNITY OF HAVING RELATIONSHIPS ALREADY BUILT AROUND THE CCT PROGRAM AS YOU MENTIONED EARLIER. SO, SOME OF US HAVE ALREADY YOU KNOW, HAD LONG TERM ESTABLISHED RELATIONSHIPS WITH OUR MANAGED CARE PLANS. BECAUSE OF THAT COORDINATED SERVICE OF TRANSITIONING FOLKS OUT UNDER CCT, AND PLUS WE ALSO HAD THE MEDI-CAL BILLING.

15:12:12 THE BACKGROUND ALSO, CAN BE DAUNTING FOR A SMALL NONPROFIT TO GET INTO IT. I WAS ACTUALLY EXCITED TO HEAR YOU SAY THAT THERE IS NO FUNDING AND OPPORTUNITIES FOR SOME OF THE SMALLER CBO'S. AND SPECIFICALLY INDEPENDENT LIVING CENTERS TO BUILD THEIR CAPACITY TO HAVE SOME OF THOSE RELATIONSHIPS OR AT LEAST START IN THOSE RELATIONSHIPS WITH THE MANAGED CARE ENTITIES.

15:12:45 AND WOULD LIKE TO HEAR A LITTLE BIT MORE ABOUT YOU KNOW HOW THAT CAN WORK WHEN THAT IS GOING TO ACTUALLY ROLL OUT. IT'S, WE HAVE BEEN HEARING A LITTLE BIT ABOUT THAT HAPPENING. BUT, WHEN ARE WE GOING TO GET INTO I GUESS THE MEAT OF BEING ABLE TO ENCOURAGE YOUR LOCAL CBOs ACROSS THE STATE TO ACCESS SOME OF THE FUNDS AND TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE IN ORDER TO BUILD PARTNERSHIPS WITH LOCAL MCO.

15:13:08 >> I THINK YOU KNOW FUNDS WE'RE ANTICIPATING WILL START FLOWING IN THE THIRD QUARTER OF 22. AFTER JULY IS WHAT WE ARE CURRENTLY PLANNING FOR. ONCE WE GET THE THIRD PARTY ADMINISTRATOR IN, WE MAY FINE TUNE THOSE, BUT THAT IS WHAT WE ARE CURRENTLY PLANNING FOR, FOR PURPOSES OF APPLICATIONS STARTING TO BE AVAILABLE.

15:13:29 BUT, AGAIN THE THIRD PARTY NEEDS TO BE IDENTIFIED AND ROLL THINGS OUT. I WOULD SAY, YOU KNOW, WITHIN THE THIRD QUARTER OF THIS YEAR. AS I MENTIONEDED EARLIER, IT WILL HAVE THREE COMPONENTS, COLLABORATIVE AND TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE AND DIRECT GRANT DOLLARS FOR PROVIDERS.

15:13:46 BUILT INTENTIONALLY TO ALLOW FOR LOCAL COLLABORATION, DOING LISTENING SESSIONINGS AND HAVE BEEN. MANY OF YOU HAVE PARTICIPATED IN THOSE, MAKE SURE WE UNDERSTAND VARIOUS NEEDS AND IT WOULD BE ACROSS ALL SUPPORTS.

15:14:09 MORE TO COME, WHEN WE HAVE INFORMATION WE SHARE WITH THE TEAM THAT IS FEVERISHLY WORKING TO FINALIZE THE PROTOCOLS FIRST. MAKE SURE THEY UNDERSTAND THE PARAMETERS FOR THE APPLICATIONS AND THEN DO THE APPLICATIONS. SO, WE ARE KIND OF INTERNAL. GETTING FEEDBACK FROM PEOPLE AND HOPING TO HIT THE GROUND RUNNING IN THE THIRD QUARTER OF THIS YEAR.

15:14:31 >> WONDERFUL, AND SECOND QUESTION I HAVE, LIKE ANY NEW PROJECT, AND THIS ONE BEING A HUGE ONE, UNDERTAKING. IN ORDER TO MAKE SURE WE ARE ON COURSE AND ABLE TO CORRECT COURSE IF WE GET OFF OR HAVE DIFFICULTIES ALONG THE WAY, INCORPORATE EVALUATIONS AND ASSESSMENT AND MAKING THE CHANGES.

15:14:43 I HAVE NOT HEARD ANYTHING YET ABOUT PLANS TO DEVELOP ADVISORY COUNSELS THROUGH THE MANAGED CARE PLANS AT THE LOCAL LEVEL.

15:15:05 I WOULD CERTAINLY LOVE TO HAVE A MANDATE FOR THAT, BUT IN LIEU OF THAT STRONG ENCOURAGEMENT THAT THE MCO'S ACTUALLY DEVELOP ADVISORY COUNSELS THAT INCLUDE BENEFICIARIES DIRECTLY TO BE PART OF THOSE COUNSELS. SO THEY CAN GET FEEDBACK FROM THE PROVIDERS THEY HAVE ENGAGED FOR THE SUPPORTS.

15:15:16 AS WELL AS ENHANCED CARE MANAGEMENT AND BENEFICIARIES PARTICIPATING IN THE PROGRAMS AND SERVICES IS THAT ON THE RADAR YET.

15:15:45 >> FEW PIECES, A LOT OF THINGS GOING ON, I WILL TAKE IT BACK IN REGARDS TO WHAT IS CURRENTLY THERE, AS YOU KNOW, THE REASONS HAVE A NUMBER OF ADVISORY COUNSELS THEY ARE REQUIRED TO DO. INCLUDING SOME THAT HAVE VERY CLEAR PARAMETERS, ONE OF THE THINGS THAT WE ANNOUNCED IN THE CARE PLAN PROCUREMENT TODAY. TGS REQUIRING MANY TO BE INCLUDED.

15:16:09 THAT'S DOWN THE ROAD TO BE CLEAR, BUT REALLY TRYING TO MAKE SURE WE ARE TAKING THAT LENS AND THEN US AT THE DEPARTMENT WILL BE HAVING AND LAUNCHING A CONSUMER FOCUSED ADVISORY COMMITTEE COMMITTEE, WE NEVER HAD ONE AT DHCS, BELIEVE IT IT OR NOT, CRAZY TO THINK ABOUT. THE DIRECTOR MADE IT CLEAR, IT'S IMPORTANT AND INSTITUTING THAT HERE AT THE DEPARTMENT AS WELL. I THINK THERE IS OPPORTUNITIES THERE.

15:16:35 FROM AN EVALUATION PERSPECTIVE TO BE CLEAR, WE GET REGULAR REPORTING FOR MANAGED CARE PLANS AND WILL BE REQUIRED UNDER 1115, AND 1915B WAIVERS TO DO A INDEPENDENT EVALUATION OF BOTH ENHANCED CARE MANAGEMENT AND COMMUNITY SUPPORTS, THERE WILL BE OPPORTUNITIES FROM EVALUATION, BUT IN REGARDS TO ENGAGEMENT I WILL TAKE IT BACK AND MAKE SURE IT'S CLEAR.

15:16:42 OUR EXPERATION TO WORK CLOSELY AND ENGAGE THE RIGHT PEOPLE AT THE TIEBL.

15:17:06 >> THANK YOU SO MUCH, I THINK THAT'S AN IMPORTANT POINT YOU MADE ABOUT HEARING FROM CONSUMERS, WE ACTUALLY HAVE A FEW CONSUMERS ON THE COMMITTEE, WE ARE EXCITED TO HEAR FROM THEM. FIRST GOING IN ORDER O F HANDS RAISED. MY FORMER COLLEAGUE, SENIOR ANALYST AT THE SCAN FOUNDATION, AFTER MEGAN TURN IT OVER TO MICHELLE. .

15:17:43 >> THANK YOU FOR YOUR PRESENTATION TODAY. I WAS KIND OF THINKING ALONG THE LINES, ABOUT YOUR RESPONSE, TALKING ABOUT THE ROBUST EVALUATION, AND APPRECIATE THE SPREAD SHEET LISTING AND DIFFERENT COMMUNITY SUPPORTS AND WHAT PLANS ARE PROVIDING

THEM. ON THE FLIP SIDE, AS THESE SERVICES ARE BEING PROVIDED, WILL THERE BE A OPPORTUNITY FOR PEOPLE TO SEE DATA AS FAR AS WHO IS RECEIVING THOSE SERVICES AND WHERE.

15:17:56 TO REALLY BE ABLE TO HELP INFORM, I THINK THAT EVALUATION AS WELL AS YOU KNOW DISCUSSIONS THAT WE WOULD HAVE, I THINK AS A GROUP ABOUT YOU KNOW WORK GOING FORWARD AND EXTENDING ACCESS TO HOME AND COMMUNITY BASED SERVICES

15:18:26 >> ONE OF THE THINGS WE AGREED TO IN AN 133 LAST YEAR, ALL THINGS CAL AIM. HAVE DATA REPORTING AND SLICE IT BY AGE AND ETHNICITY AND VARIOUS IMPORTANT INDICATORS. SO, YEAH, WE WILL ONCE WE GET ENCOUNTER DATA IN, OVER THE AN EX NEW YEARS BE REPORTING THAT, THINKING THROUGH HOW WE MODIFY OUR DASHBOARDS.

15:18:34 OR OTHER REPORTING AREAS TO MAKE THAT DATA AVAILABLE FOR PEOPLE, ONCE WE START GETTING THAT IN, WE WILL BE ABLE TO SHARE THAT AT SOME POINT IN THE FUTURE.

15:18:52 >> THANK YOU SO MUCH. AND HAPPY TO TURN IT OVER NOW. REALLY CRITICAL VOICE, HAS BEEN ACTIVE IN THE CONVERSATIONS, I REMEMBER. WAY BACK WHEN, MICHELLE, WE APPRECIATED THE PERSPECTIVE YOU PROVIDED.

15:19:04 YOU SHARED YOU WANTED TO EXPRESS SOME OF THE FEEDBACK YOU HAVE IN TERMS OF THE LAST TRANSITION IN THE MEDI-CAL MANAGED CARE AND QUESTIONS YOU HAVE FOR JACEY.

15:19:40 >> CAN YOU HEAR ME. OKAY, YEAH, I AM CONCERNED. THE LAST MEDI-CAL MASS ENROLLMENT INTO MANAGED CARE PLANS WAS NOT AS SMOOTH AS WE PROBABLY WOULD HAVE LIKED AS A STATE. I AM CONCERNED THAT WE HAVE NOT CONCERN LEARNED YOUR LESSONS IN FORCING PEOPLE INTO MANAGED CARE PLANS WITHOUT HAVING ROBUST PLAN STATEWIDE FOR THAT TO HAPPEN. AND I'M CONCERNED WITH LEADERSHIP THAT THE CONSUMER VOICES.

15:20:07 THAT YEAH SOME OF THE MANAGED CARE PLANS HAVE CONSUMER VOICES, BUT I THINK WE NEED IT AT A ROBUST STATE LEVEL THAT IS OVER ALL OF IT. AND HAVING THAT CONSUMER VOICE THERE IS SO IMPORTANT. AND HAVE WE LEARNED OUR LESSONS, ARE WE GOING TO REPEAT WHAT HAPPENED YEARS AGO. AND IF SO IT'S A SAD DAY FOR CALIFORNIA.

15:20:40 >> THANK YOU FOR YOUR COMMENT, A FEW PIECES, WE AGREE WITH YOU AT A STATE LEVEL AND CONSUMER COMMITTEE, WE WILL FORM THAT THIS YEAR LED BY THE DEPARTMENT, PULLING IN CONSUMERS THROUGH THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA, WE WANT TO SAY WE HEAR YOU AND AGREE. WE HAVE SPENT A LOT OF TIMES WRAPPING OUR ARMS AROUND THE LESSONS LEARNED AND WE ARE WORKING ON HOW YOU PACKAGE THAT UP FOR THE NEW MANAGED CARE PLANS AS WELL.

15:21:07 WE ARE ALSO HAVING SMALLER ADVISORY GROUPS AT THE STATE TO HEAR FROM PROVIDERS AND ADVOCATES AROUND THESE. VERY COMMITTED TO TRYING NOT TO RELIVE PREVIOUS HICCUPS, FOR LACK OF BETTER DESCRIPTION. SO, WE WILL TAKE THIS BACK TO THE TEAM TO MAKE SURE THEY ARE TRACKING AS WELL. AND REALLY APPRECIATURE COMMENTS.

15:21:31 >> I THINK IT'S IMPORTANT THAT YOU KNOW FOR THAT TRANSITION YOU HAVE AS MANY PEOPLE WHO CURRENTLY HAVE MULTICOUNTY SERVICES. BE INVOLVED IN SOME OF THAT TRANSITION. MY BIGGEST CONCERN IS I LOSE SOME OF MY OUT OF COUNTY SERVICES BY HAVING UNDERMANAGED CARE.

15:21:33 SO THANK YOU.

15:21:34 >> OF COURSE, THANK YOU.

15:21:54 >> THANK YOU SO MUCH, WE REALLY APPRECIATE HEARING FROM YOU, AND I'M REALLY PLEASED SHAREEN IS HERE, SHE USED TO BE DIRECTOR OF SAN FRANCISCO AREA AGENCY ON AGING AND NOW DIRECTOR OF HOMELESSNESS AND SUPPORTIVE HOUSING.

15:22:13 SUCH AN IMPORTANT PERSPECTIVE YOU PROVIDE, YOU WORKED A LOT WHEN YOU ARE A AAA DIRECTOR IN TRYING TO BUILD RELATIONSHIPS WITH THE PLANS, AND NOW IN YOUR ROLE FROM THE HOUSING PERSPECTIVE I WOULD LOVE TO HEAR YOUR THOUGHTS ON EMERGING ISSUES AND POINTS TO HIGHLIGHT AT THIS MOMENT.

15:22:39 >> THAT'S A LOT. THANK YOU SARAH. THANK YOU FOR YOUR PRESENTATION, IT'S BEEN REALLY GREAT TO FOLLOW THE DISCUSSION AFTER WARD. SO A COUPLE OF THINGS I GUESS, ONE IS THAT WHEN I WAS THE DIRECTOR OF THE DEPARTMENT OF DISABILITY AND AGING IN SAN FRANCISCO I WORKED CLOSELY WITH THE NONPROFITS AND WORKED AT THE CALIFORNIA ASSOCIATION OF AREA AGENCIES ON AGING.

15:23:00 TO REALLY THINK ABOUT HOW OLDER AMERICANS ACT PROGRAMS FIT IN WITH MANAGED CARE IN GENERAL AND FIT IN SPECIFICALLY INTO PROGRAMS LIKE CAL AIM. THIS WAS BEFORE. IT WAS A PREVIOUS VERSION. BUT ONE OF THE THINGS THAT IS CHALLENGING IS THAT WE HAVE SO MANY SMALL ORGANIZATIONS.

15:23:18 AND YOU MENTIONED THAT THERE IS GOING TO BE SUPPORT FOR THEM AND TRAINING AND GRANTS. BUT YOU KNOW, UNLESS YOU CAN REALLY GET THE BANG FOR THE BUCK, UNLESS YOU PULL TOGETHER, GET THE SCALE YOU NEED, IT'S REALLY CHALLENGING FOR SINGLE ORGANIZATIONS TO PLAY.

15:23:48 SO AND TO REALLY GET ATTENTION OF MANAGED CARE, AND MANAGED CARE IS NOT GOING TO GET THE SCALE THEY NEED, I AM CURIOUS TO KNOW IF THERE IS AN OPPORTUNITY FOR SAY A STATEWIDE ORGANIZATION THAT'S WORKING WITH SMALLER ORGANIZATIONS THAT ARE PROVIDING SERVICES TOGETHER TO ENGAGE WITH YOU.

15:24:15 FIGURE HOW THAT MIGHT WORK AND BE SPLIT ACROSS THE MANAGED CARE PLANS, DAUNTING TO FIGURE OUT OTHERWISE, GOES BECOME TO WHAT SHE SAID ABOUT CROSS COUNTY ISSUES, IT'S A REALLY BIG ISSUE WHEN YOU THINK ABOUT SERVICES PROVIDED BY NONPROFITS AND COUNTIES. SERVING OLDER ADULTS AND DISABILITIES, WHEN THEY ARE DOING THE COORDINATION PROGRAMS.

15:24:27 THINKING OF THE SOCIAL ENGAGEMENT AND TECHNOLOGY OR MANY THINGS THAT AAAS PROVIDE, I AM CURIOUS ABOUT HOW THAT CAN FIT IN, IN A WAY THAT ULTIMATELY MAKES SENSE.

15:24:53 I KNOW IT'S BEEN DONE A LITTLE BIT. BUT I THINK IT'S ONLY THE TIP OF THE ICEBERG, AND I THINK THERE CAN BE A MORE ROBUST WAY THAT THE AAAS COULD BE PART OF THIS. AND I AM ALSO- I WANT TO ALSO SAY THAT ALSO JUST THINKING ABOUT HOMELESSNESS, PEOPLE LIVING IN PERMANENT SUPPORTIVE HOUSING.

15:25:20 PEOPLE LIVING IN SHELTER, JUST CURIOUS ABOUT HOW CAL AIM, I MEAN WE HAVE DONE WORK IN SAN FRANCISCO, I AM NOT ASKING A QUESTION WITHOUT UNDERSTANDING THE ANSWER, BUT YOU KNOW, WHAT WOULD YOU SAY ABOUT HOW CAL AIM CAN REALLY HELP SUPPORT OLDER PEOPLE AND PEOPLE WITH DISABILITIES WHO ARE EXPERIENCING HOMELESSNESS IN THE SHELTER SYSTEM OR PERMANENT SUPPORTIVE HOUSING.

15:25:56 >> I WILL TACKLE BOTH OF THOSE. I THINK THE FIRST ONE I WAS THINKING. YOU MUST BE LISTENING TO THE BRAINSTORMING SESSION. WE ARE WORKING TO FIND INTHOB CAN HELP US CREATE INVENTORY OF VARIOUS COMMUNITY BASED ORGANIZATIONS OR ASSOCIATIONS WE CAN USE TO COMMUNICATE FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES. THERE IS SO MANY ACROSS THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA, SOME ARE SMALL AND WON'T BE TRACKING THIS MEETING TODAY OR THESE CONVERSATIONS, WHICH IS FAIR.

15:26:18 WE ARE TRYING TO NOODLE OVER HOW WE CREATE A NEW COMMUNICATION PATH, WE HAVE NEVER HAD TO BE CLEAR AT THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH CARE SERVICES, TON HONEST ON THAT FRONT. WE WORK WITH A NUMBER OF COMMUNITY BASED ORGANIZATIONS DEPENDING ON THE SERVICES WE ARE TALKING ABOUT. IT'S GOING TO BE IMPORTANT AS THE NEW PARTNERS COME TO BEAR. WHERE THERE IS ASSOCIATION, BEAUTIFUL.

15:26:36 BUT RIGHT NOW WITH SOME OF THE SERVICES WE ARE TALKING ABOUT, THERE IS NOT, SO IT'S HOW DO WE IDENTIFY THE INDIVIDUALS TO EFFECTIVELY COMMUNICATE SO WE ARE NOODLING OVER A SCOPE OF WORK IN THAT VAIN. RESONATES TO HOW WE GET THE WORD OUT AND INFORMATION OUT TO THE RIGHT PEOPLE.

15:27:06 I THINK THE OTHER PIECE I WOULD FLAG ON THE HOUSING AND HOMELESSNESS PIECE. THERE ARE WITHIN CAL AIM, SO MANY COMPONENTS THAT REALLY HELP INDIVIDUALS WHO ARE EXPERIENCING HOMELESSNESS. THERE IS DEDICATED ENHANCED CARE MANAGEMENT BUCKET THAT ESSENTIALLY REQUIRES YOU BE ON THE STREET.

15:27:29 GO OUTSIDE OF THE FOUR WALLS, NOT WAITING FOR SOMEONE EXPERIENCING HOMELESSNESS TO SHOW UP AT THE CLINIC, THAT'S REALLY IMPORTANT. AND THEN WE HAVE A SUIT OF HOUSING SERVICES, WE HAVE SERVICES FOR HOUSING TRANSITION. PAYING FOR HOUSING TRANSITION BUNDLE, HOUSING DEPOZ IT, PAY FOR FIRST AND LAST MONTHS RENT.

15:27:51 AND UTILITY PIECES THERE, ALLOWABLE WITHIN THE FEDERAL MEM ROW OF COURSE. AND THEN LIAISON SERVICE, ONCE THEY GET HOUSED, MAKING SURE THEY STAY HOUSED. ENVIRONMENT TO BE SUCCESSFUL. A LOT OF LESSONED LEARNED.

15:28:11 WE HAVE A SUIT OF RECOOP RATIVE CARE, SOMEBODY IN AN INPATIENT STAY, HOMELESSNESS AS AN OLDER ADULT AND IN A STAY, INSTEAD OF DISCHARMING TO THE STREET OR LANGUISH IN A BED FOR A VERY EXSTEN SIEVE PERIOD OF TIME WE KNOW THAT HAPPENS.

15:28:29 BEING ABLE TO TRANSITION INTO CARE. YOU CAN GET THEM SGOO OTHER SOCIAL SERVICES OR TEMPORARY HOUSING OR ON A GLIDE PATH.

15:29:02 WE HAVE A VERSION OF THAT, POSTHOFTIZATION STABILIZATION HOUSING. LONGER PERIOD OF TIME. SIX MONTH WINDOW FOR SOMEBODY NEEDING SERVICES AVAILABLE. AND THEN WE ARE ALSO INCLUDING DAY REHABILITATION SERVICES, A CENTER TO GO TO ACCESS RESOURCES, TRAINING

TOOLS, ET CETERA. THOSE ARE ALL SOME OF THE SUPPORTS THAT ARE AVAILABLE FOR INDIVIDUALS EXPERIENCING HOMELESSNESS IN SHELTERS OR AT SEVERE RISK.

15:29:38 HOPE THAT HELPS, JUST SO OTHERS ARE CHECKING, ALSO RECENTLY ISSUED, WELL LAST YEAR IN JULY, FEELS LIKE YESTERDAY. GUIDANCE HOW TO BILL FOR STREET MEDICINE SERVICES, CODES AND MODIFIERS TO BE USED SO THAT CAN BE AVAILABLE, AS WELL AS HOW TO MAXIMIZE THE HOSPITAL ELIGIBILITY IN THE COMMUNITY. PEOPLE CAN ENROLL HOMELESS INDIVIDUALS INTO MEDI-CAL. HOPEFULLY I ANSWERED YOUR QUESTION.

15:30:10 >> THANK YOU SO MUCH. REALLY IMPORTANT ELEMENTS HIGHLIGHTING ON THE HOUSING FOCUS. REALLY PLEASED TO HEAR NOW FROM SILVIA. WE HAVE NOT HEARD YET FROM THOSE PARTNERS, THANK YOU AND AFTER YOUR QUESTION, WE WILL HEAR FROM OUR FRIEND PETER. WHO IS REPRESENTING LTSS CONSUMERS AS WELL.

15:30:34 >> SYLVIA, THANK YOU FOR BEING HERE.

15:30:49 >> THANK YOU. WE'RE LOCATED IN ALAMEDA COUNTY AND SANTA CLARA COUNTY. FEW PROVIDERS ARE WILLING TO TAKE MEDI-CAL --

15:31:10 HOPING THAT REIMBURSEMENT RATE THROUGH THE ENHANCED MANAGEMENT CARE, THAT CAN HAVE -- MORE PROVIDERS -- HEALTH PROVIDERS WILLING TO MAKE MEDI-CAL CLIENTS.

15:31:16 AND VERY EXCITED ABOUT THE GRANT OPPORTUNITIES.

15:31:26 WANTED TO EMPHASIZE, THE CAPACITY OF THE LANGUAGE TO HELP NON-ENGLISH SPEAKING FAMILIES TO REALLY UNDERSTAND AND ACCESS THE NEW MANAGEMENT CARE.

15:31:34 THANK YOU.

15:31:49 >> WONDERFUL, TURNING IT OVER TO PETER MENDOZA WHO WORKS ON DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES.

15:31:51 >> THANK YOU VERY MUCH. GREAT TO BE HERE.

15:32:03 COUPLE OF QUESTIONS, I WANTED TO TALK ABOUT EQUITY. FIRST, WANTED TO COMMEND EVERYBODY WHO HAS BEEN WORKING SO HARD. IMPROVING SYSTEMS THROUGHOUT CALIFORNIA.

15:32:21 I WAS WONDERING, IS THERE ANY WORK BEING DONE TO MAKE SURE THAT THE INFORMATION THAT'S BEING -- PUT OUT TO PEOPLE WITH DISABILITIES -- OLDER ADULTS AND FAMILIES IS WRITTEN IN LANGUAGE THAT IS EASY FOR FOLKS TO NAVIGATE?

15:32:33 I ALSO WANT TO MAKE SURE THAT SINCE NOT ALL SERVICES ARE PROVIDED BY MEDICARE AGENCIES AND THAT PEOPLE HAVE ENOUGH INFORMATION TO CHOOSE...

15:32:35 WHICH AGENCY IS BEST FOR THEM.

15:32:55 AND ALSO, GOING TO CHECK TO SEE ABOUT, WHAT'S BEING DONE TO MAKE SURE FOLKS -- WHEN THERE IS A DISPUTE OR A MISUNDERSTANDING -- THAT FOLKS HAVE A WAY TO ACCESS RIGHTS AND REMEDIES, IF THEY'RE DENIED A BENEFIT THAT IS NOT WORKING FOR THEM.

15:33:04 AND JUST ALSO, I THINK IT'S GREAT TO HAVE CBO'S LIKE INDEPENDENT LIVING CENTERS INVOLVED.

15:33:07 REALLY ENCOURAGE THAT.

15:33:19 WHAT IS DONE TO STREAMLINE THE ADMINISTRATIVE PROCESS TO MAKE SURE IT'S EASY FOR COMMUNITY-BASED AGENCIES TO WORK IN PARTNERSHIP WITH MANAGED CARE.

15:33:34 AND WILL THERE BE A ROLE FOR THE AGING AND -- ADRC IS NAVIGATING AND ASSISTING FOLKS.

15:33:54 >> I WILL TRY AND GET YOUR RESPONSES TO ALL OF YOUR QUESTIONS. SHORT ANSWER, YES. ALL PROVIDERS -- PROVIDE THESE SERVICES WILL NEED TO MEET ALL LANGUAGE ACCESS OF THE REQUIREMENTS OF THE DEPARTMENT.

15:33:58 AND WE HAVE MADE THAT VERY CLEAR IN ALL OF THE GUIDANCE THAT HAS GONE OUT.

15:34:20 ON THE PROVIDER CHOICE PIECE, TO THE DEGREE THAT MANAGED CARE PLAN HAS CONTRACT WITH MULTIPLE PROVIDERS, PROVIDING SOMETHING THAT YES BENEFICIARIES HAVE THE ABILITY TO CHOOSE. HOPING THAT THERE WILL BE MULTIPLE PROVIDERS DOING THE SERVICES -- DEPENDING ON THE COUNTY.

15:34:30 I WOULD FLAG, IT MAY VARY, ESPECIALLY RURAL AREAS WHERE IT MAY BE HARDER TO GET MULTIPLE PROVIDERS IN PLAY.

15:34:58 WHEN IT COMES TO THE APPEALS OR -- YES TO THE COMMUNITY SUPPORTS -- THOUGH IT'S NOT TECHNICALLY A FULL MEDICAID OR MEDI-CAL BENEFIT -- WE HAVE PUT IN A DUE PROCESS, AND PROCESS TO MITIGATE -- IF THERE'S A MISUNDERSTANDING -- OR A HICCUP THERE.

15:35:18 LAST PIECE AROUND THE -- BROADLY MANAGED CARE PLANS, I LEARNED, HAPPY TO HAVE KEY PARTNERSHIPS TO BE SUCCESSFUL. WE WILL DO WHAT WE CAN TO MAKE SURE IT'S REALLY CLEAR, WHO ARE THE KEY PARTNERS AND COMMUNITY PARTNERS THEY SHOULD BE LINKING UP WITH.

15:35:35 THEY WILL ALSO NEED TO DO HEAVY LIFTING. IT'S A GREAT FLAG IN CONNECTION WITH THE LOCAL CONNECTIONS THAT SHOULD BE HAPPENING. I HOPED I HIT THEM ALL. TRIED TO WRITE THEM DOWN.

15:35:41 >> ONE MORE THING IN CLOSING, IT'S IMPORTANT THAT WE HAVE INCENTIVES TO MAKE SURE WE'RE SUPPORTING EVERYONE.

15:35:50 ESPECIALLY THOSE OF US WITH SEVERE DISABILITIES WITH OLDER ADULTS, ESPECIALLY IN THE RURAL, UNDERSERVED AREAS.

15:36:06 WOULD HEAT TO HAVE SOMEBODY NOT ABLE TO GET A SERVICE THAT KEEPS THEM IN THE COMMUNITY -- AS INDEPENDENT AS THEY'RE ABLE TO BE BECAUSE OF DIFFICULT SERVING A CERTAIN AREA.

15:36:10 WE DON'T WANT ANY PART OF STATE EXPERIENCING BARRIERS.

15:36:25 I WOULD RECOMMEND CENTERS TO ENCOURAGE SERVICES -- IN UNDERSERVED AREAS OR FOLKS WITH SEVERE DISABILITIES AND OLDER ADULTS.

15:36:25 >> THANK YOU.

15:36:38 >> I AGREE WITH YOU. WE'RE GOING TO BE PORTIONING FUNDS TO MAKE SURE THEY DON'T GET GOBBLED UP BY THE LARGER AREAS AND THAT THERE ARE FUNDS FOR RURAL AREAS.

15:36:42 AGREE WITH YOU. WOULD LOVE FOR THIS TO BE STATEWIDE.

15:36:53 >> THANK YOU PETER FOR THE GREAT QUESTIONS. WE HAVE MICHAEL WITH SCHWARTZ -- AND MARTY OMOTO WILL CLOSE IT UP.

15:37:05 WANT TO SAY, JACEY, THIS HAS BEEN UNBELIEVABLY HELPFUL. THERE ARE THEMES THAT EMERGED AND QUESTIONS THAT HAVE NOT BEEN ADDRESSED YET IN THE CHAT.

15:37:17 BUT WE WILL COLLECT THOSE AND FOLLOW UP WITH OUR PARTNERS TO SEE ABOUT RESPONDING. MICHAEL WELCOME.

15:37:32 >> HELLO. FOR US, I WANT TO ECHO WHAT SHARINE MENTIONED. WE'RE A NONPROFIT COMMUNITY-BASED ORGANIZATION.

15:37:39 WE SERVE 500 FORMERLY HOMELESS VETS IN PERMANENT SUPPORTIVE HOUSING.

15:37:43 WE'RE OPERATING WITH THE VETERANS ADMINISTRATION.

15:37:47 THAT IS ANOTHER SYSTEM. WE HAVE MANAGED CARE AND THEN, THE VA.

15:37:54 THERE IS ALWAYS A CHALLENGE, DETERMINING OUR -- GETTING VETERANS ELIGIBLE FOR MEDICARE.

15:38:05 S THAT BEEN A PROBLEM BECAUSE A LOT OF VETS ARE LIVING IN SUPPORTIVE HOUSING, THAT IS LONG-TERM HOUSING -- THEY HAVE A GREAT NEED FOR WRAP AROUND CARE.

15:38:12 CLINICAL SUPPORTS, NUTRITIONAL SUPPORTS, NURSING CARE.

15:38:18 IT'S DIFFICULT TO GET THE COVERAGE THEY NEED BECAUSE OFTEN THEY'RE INELIGIBLE FOR MEDI-CAL.

15:38:30 TRYING TO FIGURE OUT THE TWO SYSTEMS -- VA, MEDICARE AND HOW YOU GET THE ACTUAL FUNDING SO YOU CAN BRING IN THE CLINICIANS THAT -- THAT IS WHAT FOLKS NEED.

15:38:35 >> COMPLETELY UNDERSTAND WHAT YOU ARE RAISING.

15:38:45 I WANT TO JUST CLARIFY HERE, THE SERVICES I WALK THROUGH WOULD ONLY BE AVAILABLE FOR SOMEONE WHO IS ENROLLED IN MEDI-CAL.

15:38:53 COMPLETELY UNDERSTAND THE COMPLEXITIES IT BRINGS WHEN YOU ARE BRINGING SO MANY DIFFERENT PAIRS.

15:39:03 AND WANTED TO MAKE SURE I CLARIFIED THAT TO MAKE SURE IT'S CLEAR. BUT COMPLETELY UNDERSTAND WHAT YOU ARE SAYING.

15:39:09 >> THANK YOU JACEY. MARTY OMOTO, THE ONE AND ONLY.

15:39:10 THANK YOU MARTY.

15:39:29 >> THANK YOU, A FAMILY MEMBER -- I'M A PAID CAREGIVER WITH A 29-YEAR-OLD PERSON WITH AUTISM AND DAWN SYNDROME LIVING WITH ME. JACEY, A SHOUT OUT TO YOU AND YOUR TEAM FOR AMAZING WORK YOU HAVE BEEN DOING IN THE LAST COUPLE OF YEARS.

15:39:38 I'VE PARTICIPATED IN THE STAKEHOLDER GROUP. BUT I DON'T THINK A LOT OF PEOPLE UNDERSTAND HOW MASSIVE AND TRANSFORMING THIS POTENTIALLY IS.

15:39:48 FOR YOU TO BE THE MEDICAID STATE DIRECTOR NOW, I WORK WITH ALL OF YOUR PREDECESSORS -- I KNOW YOU DID TOO.

15:40:07 THEY HAD TO TALK ABOUT CUTS OR CHANGE THAT WERE REALLY ABOUT CUTS. I THINK THAT LEADS TO THE OTHER ISSUE WE'RE GOING TO HAVE TO DO OUTREACH WITH OUR NETWORKS AND COMMUNITY-BASED ASSOCIATIONS...

15:40:09 TO LET PEOPLE UNDERSTAND WHAT THIS IS ABOUT.

15:40:29 BECAUSE THEY DON'T -- NOT EVERYONE UNDERSTANDS, IT'S SO MASSIVE. THIS IS HAPPENING WHEN THE OTHER SYSTEMS -- DEPARTMENT OF AGING, DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES -- EVERY ONE OF THESE AGENCIES ARE MOVING WITH MASSIVE CHANGES WITHIN THEIR OWN DEPARTMENTS AT THE SAME TIME THIS IS HAPPENING WITH CalAIM.

15:40:36 I TRIED TO EXPLAIN IT TO DIFFERENT GROUPS. BUT THEY DON'T GRASP HOW THEY SEE THEMSELVES IN IT.

15:40:45 THEY SEE WONDERFUL TITLES -- ALL OF THESE GREAT THINGS. BUT THEY DON'T KNOW OR UNDERSTAND HOW DOES THAT IMPACT ME?

15:40:49 WHAT WILL THIS MEAN TO ME?

15:40:57 SHOULD I PUT DOWN WHAT I KNOW NOW AND FIND OUT MORE INFORMATION? HOW HARD SHOULD I WORK TO FIND OUT MORE?

15:41:00 WE'RE GOING TO HAVE TO WORK WITH YOU.

15:41:06 JUST AS PETER WAS SAYING AND MICHELLE -- LOOKING AT GABRIEL RIGHT NOW.

15:41:12 REGIONAL CENTERS ARE GOING TO PLAY AN IMPORTANT ROLE IN GETTING THE WORD OUT.

15:41:19 HOW DOES THIS FIT INTO PERSON-CENTERED WAY TO EACH INDIVIDUAL WE'RE TALKING ABOUT ACROSS ALL OF THE SYSTEMS?

15:41:24 AT THE END OF THE DAY, THIS HAS TO BE MEANINGFUL TO THE PERSON THAT IS MEANT TO HELP.

15:41:29 WHETHER IT'S THE PROVIDER -- THE INDIVIDUALS AND PROVIDER, COMMUNITY-BASED ORGANIZATION.

15:41:32 OR INDIVIDUALS LIKE ALEX WHO LIVES WITH ME.

15:41:35 HOW WILL IT MATTER IN HIS LIFE?

15:41:38 WE NEED TO PARTNER WITH YOU.

15:41:42 OTHER THING, JACEY, YOU KNOW THIS. IT'S NOT GOING TO BE PERFECT.

15:41:55 IT CAN'T BE PERFECT. BUT IF WE'RE WORKING TOGETHER -- THIS IS SO MUCH DIFFERENT THAN THE DAYS SARAH YOU WERE STAFFING THE COMMITTEE AND WE WERE FITTING AGAINST CUTS.

15:42:03 WE NEVER DREAMED THIS TYPE OF CHANGE WOULD HAPPEN WHILE WE WERE STILL LIVING. YET IT'S HAPPENING.

15:42:08 WHATEVER WE CAN DO WITH A CAVEAT, IT'S NOT GOING TO BE PERFECT.

15:42:13 HOW DO WE WORK WITH YOU TO DO OUTREACH?

15:42:22 ... TO GET WORD OUT, WHAT THIS MEANS TO EACH PERSON AND FAMILY.

15:42:25 AGAIN, SHOUTOUT TO YOUR TEAM.

15:42:33 IT'S BEEN GOING ON FOR THE LAST THREE YEARS. IT WASN'T EASY, WAS IT?

15:42:36 YOU NEED A NAME CHANGE. PROBABLY DON'T WANT TO TALK ABOUT THAT.

15:42:40 >> MARTY, WE DON'T BRING UP THE NAME CHANGE.

15:42:43 >> WE WERE TALKING -- ABOUT THAT. THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

15:42:48 TURN IT BACK OVER TO YOU, SARAH.

15:42:58 >> I WILL SAY SOMETHING, APPRECIATE IT -- APPRECIATE YOUR PARTICIPATION OVER THE LONG JOURNEY OF CalAIM.

15:43:08 IT'S ALWAYS GOOD INPUT. WE'RE TRYING TO WORK THROUGH A COMMUNICATION STRATEGY. BECAUSE SOME OF THE SERVICES AROUND HOUSING GET A LOT OF AIR TIME.

15:43:18 THOSE ARE REALLY IMPORTANT. BUT THERE ARE SO MANY OTHER THINGS IN CalAIM THAT ARE SO IMPORTANT. HOW DO WE GET THE INFORMATION TO THE RIGHT PEOPLE?

15:43:26 AGREE WITH YOU, WE'RE WORKING ON IT. LOOK FORWARD TO PARTNERING WITH YOU IS WHAT I WOULD SAY. THANK YOU FOR THAT.

15:43:36 >> JACEY, REALLY BIG THANK YOU TO YOU FOR THE WORK THAT HAS GONE IN THE TRANSFORMATIONAL EFFORT.

15:43:51 REALLY PARTNERSHIP BUILDING ON SO MANY LEVELS. WE'RE ALL PART OF THIS, WE NEED IT ENGAGE THE COMMUNITIES IN BEING PART OF THE CAPACITY BUILDING AND INFRASTRUCTURE AND BUILDING NETWORKS AT THE LOCAL LEVEL.

15:44:03 AND MAKING SURE THERE IS STRONG CONSUMER VOICE. WE WILL ENGAGE OUR COMMUNITIES AND OFFER ASSISTANCE AND SUPPORTS HOWEVER WE CAN IN ROLING THIS OUT.

15:44:20 ANYTHING ELSE FROM SUSAN OR PATTI OR THE CO-CHAIR BEFORE WE MOVE ON.

15:44:27 >> THANK YOU FOR A RICH DISCUSSION. SURE YOU WILL HEAR FROM US AGAIN. THANK YOU GUYS.

15:44:47 >> THANK YOU. APOLOGIES, GABE, I KNOW YOU WANTED TO ASK A QUESTION. WE WILL MAKE SURE THERE IS OPPORTUNITY TO HIGHLIGHT ISSUES. WOULD LOVE TO HEAR FROM YOU. SO THANK YOU. OKAY. BREAK. SUSAN...

15:44:50 WHO IS SEGUEING INTO THE BREAK? I WASN'T SURE.

15:45:01 >> I THINK MARIYA -- IT'S A 15-MINUTE BREAK?

15:45:23 >> IT'S A TEN-MINUTE BREAK. WE WILL COME BACK AT 3:55. ENCOURAGE YOU TO TURN OFF YOUR CAMERAS AND HAVE A STRETCH, GET A DRINK. SEE YOU SOON!

15:55:37 WE'RE AT 3:55. WELCOME BACK TO THE COMMITTEE MEMBERS AND ASL INTERPRETERS AND CAPTIONERS. SUSAN, LET YOU TAKE IT FROM HERE.

15:55:48 >> THANKS, SARAH FOR LEADING THE CONVERSATION AND APPRECIATE EVERYONE'S ENGAGEMENT, INCLUDING IN THE CHAT.

15:55:54 WILL BE SURE EVERYONE WHO DIDN'T GET A CHANCE TO SPEAK TO JACEY, WILL FOLLOW UP WITH YOU.

15:56:02 NOW GOING MOVE FROM THE SIMPLE TOPICS OF HOUSING AND MEDI-CAL, TO ANOTHER EASY TOPIC -- TRANSPORTATION.

15:56:13 SO GRATEFUL TO AVITAL BARNEA WHO IS JOINING US FROM THE CALIFORNIA TRANSPORTATION AGENCY. THANK YOU FOR BEING PART OF TODAY'S MEETING.

15:56:23 AND LOOK FORWARD TO HEARING FROM YOU AND OTHER MEMBERS OF THE COMMITTEE WHO HAVE WORKED DILIGENTLY TO BRING TOPICS UP FOR DISCUSSION.

15:56:28 AVITAL, ARE YOU HERE?

15:56:29 >> I'M HERE.

15:56:31 >> WONDERFUL. WELCOME TO YOU.

15:56:32 >> CAN YOU HEAR ME?

15:56:49 GREAT. THANK YOU ALL SO MUCH. GREAT TO BE WITH YOU. THANK YOU TO THE DIRECTOR AND THE DEPARTMENT OF AGING FOR INVITING ME TO JOIN YOU TODAY TO TALK ABOUT TRANSPORTATION, INVESTMENTS PROPOSED IN THE GOVERNOR'S BUDGET.

15:56:58 AND OTHER AREAS OF PROGRESS THAT WILL HELP IMPROVE TRANSPORTATION FOR OLDER ADULTS AND PEOPLE WITH DISABILITIES.

15:57:07 AGAIN, MY NAME IS AVITAL BARNEA. I'M DEPUTY SECRETARY FOR CALIFORNIA TRANSPORTATION AGENCY.

15:57:12 WE KNOW THAT TRANSPORTATION IS AN IMPORTANT COMPONENT IN ALL OF OUR LIVES.

15:57:15 THAT INCLUDES OLDER ADULTS AND PEOPLE OF ALL AGES.

15:57:24 WE ALL NEED ACCESSIBLE TRANSPORTATION OPTIONS TO SUPPORT WELL BEING AND CONTINUED ENGAGEMENT IN CIVIC AND ECONOMIC LIFE.

15:57:30 BUT WE'RE REALLY PRIORITIZING ACCESSIBLE TRANSPORTATION.

15:57:42 PLEASED TO TELL YOU HOW GOVERNOR NEWSOM'S STATE BUDGET PROPOSAL -- JUST RELEASED A MONTH AGO ON JANUARY 10 -- BRINGING INVESTMENTS IN THESE AREAS.

15:58:02 SO THE GOVERNOR'S BUDGET LAYS OUT A BOLD PLAN TO BOLSTER GROWTH. RIGHT NOW WE HAVE A \$45 BILLION SURPLUS.

15:58:20 THE GOVERNOR'S BUDGET IS BUILT ON THE STRONG FISCAL FOUNDATION. AND PRIORITIZES A LOT OF ONE-TIME SPENDING -- OVER THE FUNDING PROGRAM.

15:58:36 SO THIS FUNDING REALLY GIVES US A UNIQUE OPPORTUNITY TO MAKE A DOWN PAYMENT ON KINDS OF INVESTMENT THAT WILL ENSURE OUR FUTURE IN TRANSPORTATION AND OTHER AREAS.

15:58:44 TRANSPORTATION, SPECIFICALLY, THE BUDGET PROPOSED ALMOST \$15 BILLION TO FUND PROGRAMS AND PROJECTS.

15:58:56 AND THE TRANSPORTATION BUDGET ACKNOWLEDGES RIGHT UP FRONT THAT WE KNOW THAT TRANSPORTATION AND CLIMATE CHANGE ARE EXTREMELY INTERCONNECTED.

15:59:04 TRANSPORTATION IS THE STATE'S LARGEST -- WITH GREENHOUSE GAS EMISSIONS.

15:59:30 A GOAL TO HELP REDUCE EFFECT OF CLIMATE CHANGE IS TO MOVE TOWARD MULTIMODAL ZERO EMISSIONS.

15:59:40 IN ADDITION TO THE CLIMATE BENEFITS, A MULTIMODAL TRANSPORTATION SYSTEM WILL BETTER SERVE OLDER CALIFORNIANS AND PEOPLE WITH DISABILITIES.

15:59:47 A PORTION OF THE FUNDING IN THE BUDGET IS ALLOCATED TO SUPPORT MULTIMODAL TRANSPORTATION.

15:59:53 THERE IS \$2 BILLION PROPOSED FOR STATEWIDE TRANSIT AND RAIL PROJECTS.

16:00:04 AND \$750 MILLION FOR ACTIVE TRANSPORTATION, RECONNECTING COMMUNITIES AND BICYCLE AND PEDESTRIAN SAFETY PROJECTS.

16:00:24 I MENTIONED THAT MANY OF THE FUNDING PROGRAMS CONTAINED IN THE GOVERNOR'S BUDGET ARE ONE TIME FUNDING.

16:00:49 I WANT TO NOTE THAT THE ACTIVE TRANSPORTATION PROGRAM DOES ALREADY EXIST, BUT THE GOVERNOR'S BUDGET WOULD BOOST AVAILABLE FUNDING FOR ACTIVE TRANSPORTATION PROJECTS BY MORE THAN FOUR TIMES THAN WHAT IS NORMALLY AVAILABLE IN A GIVEN YEAR. THROUGH THESE INVESTMENTS AND MORE, THE GOVERNOR'S BUDGET ALIGNS WITH OUR GOALS TO ADVANCE PUBLIC HEALTH, SAFETY AND EQUITY, WHILE ADDRESSING THE CLIMATE CRISIS.

16:01:18 WE ARE EXCITED TO SEE THE GOVERNOR'S BUDGET PROPOSAL MOVE FORWARD AS THE LEGISLATURE CONSIDERS IT OVER THE NEXT FEW MONTHS AND LOOK FORWARD TO THE PASSAGE OF THE BUDGET LATER THIS SUMMER. I AM GOING TO MOVE ON NOW TO TALK ABOUT SOME OF YOUR UPDATES ON PROGRESS THAT HAS BEEN MADE ON TRANSPORTATION ITEMS IN THE MASTER PLAN FOR AGING OR MPA AS WE CALL IT FOR SHORT.

16:01:44 THE MPA FOCUSES ON TRANSPORTATION THAT SUPPORTS AN AGING POPULATION, MAINLY BY MOVING BEYOND CARS AND BY PROMOTING WAYS TO IMPROVE COMMUNITY WALK BLT. TRANSPORTATION, FREE BUS ACCESS, FLEXIBLE OPTIONS AND OLDER DRIVER SAFETY EDUCATION TRAINING.

16:02:06 LAST JULY, WE RELEASED OUR CLIMATE PLAN FOR INFRASTRUCTURES, WHICH PRIORITIZES INVESTMENTS IN TRANSIT, PASSENGER RAILS, ACTIVE TRANSPORTATION, STREETS AND MICRO MOBILITIES TO EXPAND MOBILITY OPTIONS AND MEET THE STATE'S AMBITIOUS CLIMATE GOALS.

16:02:27 IN ALIGNMENT WITH THE PLAN FOR THE TRANSPORTATION INFRASTRUCTURE AND MASTER PLAN FOR AGING, CAL TRANS RELEASES A NEW POLICY THAT STATE THAT IS PROJECTS SHOULD PRIORITIZE UNDERSERVED COMMUNITIES THAT HAVE BEEN SEGMENTED BY THE TRANSPORTATION NETWORK.

16:02:48 THIS SPECIFIES THAT PROJECTS SHOULD SERVE PEM OF ALL AGES AND ABILITY ANDS BE INCLUSIVE OF THE MOBILITY NEEDS OF CHILDREN, OLDER ADULTS AND PEOPLE WITH DISABILITIES BY BEST PRACTICES RELATED TO SPEED REDUCTION.

16:02:54 UNIVERSAL DESIGN, USER SAFETY AND COMFORT, ACCESSIBILITY FOR PEOPLE WITH DISABILITIES.

16:03:11 CAL TRANS IS ALSO ACTIVITY WORKING TO DEVELOPMENT AND IMPLEMENT AN ACCESSIBILITY TOOL, WHICH THEY WILL USE TO ANALYZE THE EASE BY WHICH TRAVELERS CAN ACCESS DESTINATIONS SUCH AS WORK, SHOPPING, SCHOOL, HEALTH CARE AND RECREATION.

16:03:40 WHAT WE MEAN BY ACCESSIBILITY IN THIS CONTEXT IS THE NUMBER AND PROXIMITY OF DESTINATIONS, AS WELL AS THE DIRECTNESS OF THE TRIP AND CONDITION AND COMFORT OF WALKING, BIKING AND TRANSIT FACILITIES. AS PART OF THIS ACCESSIBILITY TOOL, WHICH WILL BE USED TO ANALYZE PROJECTS, CAL TRANS ALSO EXPLORING INTEGRATING DEMOGRAPHICS INTO THE ANALYSIS.

16:04:10 WHICH COULD INCLUDE AGE KS DISABILITY, RACE, ETHNICITY, EMG KAGS LEVEL AND MEDIAN HOUSEHOLD INCOME TO NAME A FEW. WE ARE ALSO MAKING INVESTMENTS TO SUPPORT FREE AND REDUCED TRANSIT ACCESS FOR OLDER ADULLS, WE HAVE A NEW PROGRAM THAT WAS JUST LAUNCHED IN DECEMBER, THAT'S CALLED THE CALIFORNIA INTEGRATED TRAVEL PROJECT. CAL ITP. WE HAVE LAUNCHED NOW IN THE MONORAY SALINAS TRANSIT DISTRICT.

16:04:30 WHICH IS THE FIRST AGENCY TO OFFER WHAT IS CALLED CAL ITP BENEFIT TOOL, IT ALLOWS ANY ADULT AGE 65 OR OLDER WITH A CALIFORNIA DMV ISSUES IDENTIFICATION CARD TO HAVE ELIGIBILITY FOR A FAIR DISCOUNT ON TRANSIT.

16:04:56 BE INSTANTLY VERIFIED AND INSTANTLY LINKED TO THEIR CONTACTLESS CREDIT CARD OR DEBIT CARD. MONTEREY TRANSIT IS THE FIRST PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION AGENCY IN THE UNITED STATES TO ENABLE ITS RIDERS TO VERIFY THEIR ELIGIBILITY FOR DISCOUNTED FAIRS ONLINE. AND INSTANTLY ADD THAT DISCOUNT BENEFIT TO A CONTACTLESS DEBIT OR CREDIT CARD.

16:05:05 WE ARE WORKING ON ROLLING OUT THIS FEATURE WITH OTHER AGENCIES ACROSS CALIFORNIA THIS YEAR, AND EXCITED THAT PROGRAM WILL BE EXPANDED.

16:05:36 ALSO TO SUPPORT SAFER TRANSPORTATION IN 2021, WE UPDATED THE CALIFORNIA STRATEGIC HIGHWAY SAFETY PLAN, AND THAT PROVIDE A COMPREHENSIVE PRAMWORK FOR REDUCING ROADWAY FATALITIES, I WANT THE MENTION THAT PLAN INCLUDES SPECIFIC PRIORITY AREAS ON AGING DRIVING AND PED ES TREENS AND BIKES.

16:06:05 IN ADDITION TO SUPPORT OLDER DRIVER SAFE TUFF EDUCATION TRAINING THE DEPARTMENT OF MOTOR VEHICLES OPERATES A SENIOR OMBUDSMAN PROGRAM, THAT PROVIDE OLDER DRIVER SAFETY EDUCATION AS WELL AS ALTERNATIVE TRANSPORTATION AND MOBILITY OPTIONS FOR CALIFORNIA AGING DRIVERS, THIS PROGRAM OFFERS SAFETY INFORMATION AND RESOURCES NOT ONLY FOR DRIVERS BUT ALSO FOR FAMILIES, CAREGIVERS, FRIENDS, INTERESTED MEDICAL PERSONNEL AND OTHER STAKEHOLDERS.

16:06:31 WHO MIGHT BE INTERESTED IN THIS INFORMATION. SO THAT IS JUST A REALLY QUICK SUMMARY OF ACTIONS WE ARE TAKING TO MAKE TRANSPORTATION SAFER AND BETTER FOR OLDER ADULTS AND PEOPLE WITH DISABILITIES IN CALIFORNIA. AND THE FUNDING THAT CAN MAKE EVEN GREATER INVESTMENT INS THE AREAS THROUGH THE GOVERNOR BUDGET PROPOSAL. THANK YOU FOR YOUR ATTENTION, I LOOK FORWARD TO THE NEXT PRESENTATION AND DISCUSSION TO FOLLOW.

16:06:50 >> THANK YOU SO MUCH FOR JOINING US, WE ARE SO GLAD YOU ARE HERE AND ABLE TO STAY TO HEAR FROM OUR STAKEHOLDERS. SO I BELIEVE NOW I WILL TURN IT OVER TO DEBBIE WHO WILL LEAD TO NEXT SECTION.

16:07:25 >> I DON'T KNOW I AM A DACLAC OR LEADING IT, I CAN BE UL OF THE ABOVE IF SHE SAYS THAT IS WHO I AM. I GOT PROMOTED TODAY. [LAUGHTER]. ACTUALLY I'M GOING TO INTRODUCE YOU TO JOHN CUNNINGHAM, WHO IS A SENIOR TRANSPORTATION PLANNER, THERE IS A PRINCE UNTIL THERE IN THE TITLE IN THE COUNTY, WORKING IN ACCESSIBLE AND INACCESSIBLE TRANCE PRATION FOR OVER 20 YEARS.

16:07:43 HE IS GOING TO KICK US OFF WITH STRUCTURE OR HISTORY AND GROUNDING US IN WHAT IS TRANSPORTATION FOR SENIORS AND PEOPLE WITH DISABILITIES, OLDER ADULTS, ELDERS, THE FULL SPECTRUM, AND THEN YOU HEAR A LITTLE BIT FROM RIDERS OF THE TRANSPORTATION.

16:07:50 I WILL TALK A LITTLE BIT AND HEAR FROM RUSSEL ABOUT THE EQUITY IN TRANSPORTATION. WITHOUT FURTHER ADIEU, TAKE IT AWAY.

16:08:23 >> THANK YOU, GOOD AFTERNOON, CAN EVERYBODY HEAR ME OKAY? GREAT, MY NAME IS JOHN, AS MENTIONED I AM A TRANCE PR PAGES PLANNER IN CONTRA COS TA COUNTY. YOU HEARD FROM DEBBIE AND RUSSEL IS GOING TO JUMP IN. THEY ARE THE MAIN EVENT. I AM THE BUREAUCRAT PROVIDING THE LANDSCAPE. ON THAT NOTE, NEXT SLIDE, YOU WANT TO START WITH DEFINITIONS SO WE ARE ALL WORKING FROM THE SAME TABLE.

16:08:49 WHEN WE SAY ACCESSIBLE WE ARE TALK ACT A BROAD RANGE OF SERVICES YOU SEE THERE IN THE BULLET POINTS, TALKING ABOUT P ARA TRANSIT, AND DIAL A RIDE, AND MOBILITY MANAGEMENT, IT'S AN INCLUSIVE TERM. AND THEN THE NEXT YOU SEE ON THERE IS OUR THESIS. IT IS KNOT CONTESTED, STATE OF ACCESSIBLE TRANSPORTATION IS NOT GOOD. INADEQUATE, IT'S POOR.

16:09:11 IT'S STAGNANT, I'M GOING TO TOUCH ON THE THE STAGNANT PIECE IN A BIT AS WILL RUSSEL. NEXT SLIDE. WE DOENLT WANT YOU TO TAKE IT ON FAITH THAT THE STATE OF ACCESSIBLE

TRANSPORTATION IS POOR, WE HAVE A STRONG BASIS FOR THAT, REPORT FROM THE MASTER PLAN STAKEHOLDER REFERENCES OVER A DOZEN OR SO REPORTS.

16:09:16 THIS IS JUST A SAMPLE, WHICH YOU SEE IN FRONT OF YOU, A QUOTE FROM A NATIONAL

16:09:39 STUDY BY THE TRANSPORTATION ARM OF THE NATIONAL ACADEMY OF SCIENCES, READ THE QUOTE. I POINT OUT SPECIFICALLY THIS THIS TYPE OF SERVICE RESULTS IN REPETITIVE OVERLAPPING. .

16:09:46 THE SECOND QUOTE, THIS FINDING IS REPEATED THROUGH THE STATE IN SIMILAR

16:09:49 STUDIES, AGAIN, THE QUOTE PAINTS A DIRE PICTURE.

16:10:21 I WOULD LIKE YOU TO TAKE AWAY FROM THIS LAST POINT THERE IS THAT SENIOR ORIENTED MOBILITY SERVICES, WE HAVE A LACK OF FISCAL AND ORGANIZATIONAL READINESS. WE TOUCH ON THAT IN A BIT AS WELL. NEXT SLIDE, PLEASE. THEN THE MAST ENPLAN FOR AGING, THIS GROUP KNOWS THE SITUATION FOR THE MASTER PLAN. THIS QUOTE INDICATED AS A BLUEPRINT.

16:10:38 I WILL ADDRESS THIS FINDING ARE NOT A BLUEPRINT AND THE PROBLEM WITH THAT, GO TO THE NEXT SLIDE, PLEASE, THIS SLIDE SPEAKS TO THE AGING DEMOGRAPHICS. THE TITLE ON THIS SLIDE, OF ALL OF THE SLIDES I THINK THIS GROUP KNOWS THIS SITUATION BEST, I HOPE YOU FORGIVE THAT.

16:11:09 THE QUOTES YOU SEE SPEAK TO AGING POPULATION, FIRST TWO DATA POINTS ARE COMMON KNOWLEDGE, I LIKE TO POINT OUT THE LAST QUOTE. THE AGING DYNAMIC AND DEM GRAMS OF COCAINE IS GOING TO MORPH INTO COMBINED AGING AND RACE ISSUE. I WANT TO MENTION THAT I WAS GOING TO PROVIDE THE LANDSCAPE EARLIER, THIS IS THE HEART OF IT. THIS IS A LIST OF U ACTIONS THAT THE STATE TRIED TO TAKE.

16:11:42 TO IMPROVE ACCESSIBLE TRANSPORTATION WITH ONE EXCEPTION, AND THAT RETURN HAS BEEN FAILURE, ANCIENT HISTORY I GUESS. 1979 THE SOCIAL SERVICE TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT ACT. CONSOLIDATED TRANSPORTATION SERVICES AGENCY, NO DEDICATED FUNDING FOR THIS MODEL AND MECHANISM, AS A RESULT, THERE WAS NOT MUCH DEPLOYMENT OF THE TOOL AND LIMITED EKTIVENESS ACTUALLY REDUCING OVER TIME.

16:12:24 AND THEN GOING THROUGH OTHER EFFORTS THERE WAS A MASTER PLAN ON AGING. NEVER IMPLIMENTED, IN 2005, THE TASK TEAM FORMED BY THE STATE. NONE WERE IMPLEMENTED AND 2007, REPEAT THAT, WITH MANY RECOMMENDATIONS. IT WAS LEGISLATION THAT REWORKED THE FUNDING LANDSCAPE AND INCLUDED FUNDING FOR JUST ABOUT EVERYTHING UNDER THE TRANSPORTATION'S SUN.

16:12:59 EXCEPT ACCESSIBLE TRANSPORTATION, YOU HAD ROAD REPAIR, MAINTENANCE. BIKE, BOATING, PARK, UNIVERSITY RESEARCH, NOTHING SPECIFICALLY FOR ACCESSIBLE TRANSPORTATION. YOU KNOW, OMISSION SEEMS TO SCREAM FOR A CLEAN UP BILL. BUT THAT IS SOMEBODY ELSE'S TASK TO UNDERTAKE. AND WE OF COURSE, THE 2021 MASTER PLAN. WHERE THE STAKEHOLDER ADVISORY COMMITTEE TRANCE PRATION RECOMMENDATIONS WERE. DELETED AND REPLACED.

16:13:32 WITHOUT CONSULTATION OR NOTIFICATION OF THE STAKEHOLDERS. SO RUSSEL RAWLINGS IS GOING TO TALK ABOUT THIS SITUATION IN A BIT. FROM A PLANNING PERSPECTIVE THE RECOMMENDATIONS WERE BASED ON WIDELY ACCEPTED BEST PRACTICES. AS AN UNDERSTATED

WHAT WAS INCLUDED WAS NOT A BLUEPRINT. DESCRIBED IN THE EXECUTIVE ORDER DID NOT ADDRESS THE LACK OF FISCAL READINESS CH.

16:13:58 DID NOT ADDRESS THE PROBLEM, AND AS A RESULT IT REMAINS STAGNANT. AND SO THE QUOTE YOU SEE ON THE SLIDE THERE, IT IS FROM THE 2040 CALIFORNIA TRANSPORTATION PLAN, SORTS OF UNKNOWINGLY DESCRIBES WHAT SHAPING RIGHT NOW TO THIS VULNERABLE POPULATION. ACCESSIBLE TRANSPORTATION IS NEGATIVELY IMPACTING THEIR HEALTH.

16:14:13 WE CAN'T SEEM TO GET ON TOP OF OUR PROBLEM. AND IS DEBBIE

16:14:23 >> THANK YOU FOR PAINTING THAT PICTURE OF THE REALITY THAT PEOPLE ARE LIVING EVERY DAY UNABLE TO GET TO AND FROM WHERE THEY NEED TO GO, I THINK WE HAVE RID OWES TO PLAY AND I WILL TALK AT YOU MORE A LITTLE BIT AFTER WARDS.

16:14:25 THESE ARE RIDERS SHARING THEIR EXPERIENCE.

16:14:54 >> I HAVE BEEN RIDING FOR ALMOST TEN YEARS NOW, UNFORTUNATELY I'VE ALWAYS HAD ISSUES WITH LINK. THEY ARE CONSTANTLY LATE. NEVER ON TIME. DUE TO SHORTAGE OF DRIVERS AND OVERBOOKINGS. I HAVE GONE TO MULTIPLE BOARD MEETINGS TO MAKE CHANGES.

16:15:20 BUT I HAVE YET TO SEE ANY. IF I HAVE AN IMPORTANT APPOINTMENT, I ALWAYS TAKE OTHER MEANS OF TRANSPORTATION TO ENSURE THAT I ARRIVE ON TIME. I HOPE THIS CHANGES, AS I RELY HEAVILY ON THESE SERVICES TO GET AROUND MY COMMUNITY.

16:16:00 >> MY RIDE WOULD TAKE THREE HOURS. OF WHERE I WOULD BE PICKED UP, I WOULD GET NOTIFICATION FROM THE APP TELLING ME THE DRIVER WOULD BE THERE IN TEN MINUTES AND SOMETIMES THEY ARE NOT. ONE TIME I GOT NOTIFICATION THAT THE DRIVER IS THERE IN TEN MINUTES AND I GOT PICKED UP AT 5:30. IT WAS DARK AND IT WAS COLD.

16:16:11 >> HELL LOI I AM A RESIDENT OF MARTIN EZ, I HAVE MOBILITY CHALLENGES THAT REQUIRE ME TO WALK WITH A CANE.

16:16:22 RELY PRIMARILY ON PUBLIC TRANSIT, BECAUSE OF LIMITED BUS AVAILABILITY IT'S DIFFICULT FOR ME TO GET TO WORK AND CHURCH AND DOCTORS APPOINTMENT AND GROCERY STORE.

16:16:30 I AM ADVOCATING FOR MORE FUNDING FOR BUSSES AND BUS STOP BENCHES, THANK YOU.

16:17:06 >> MY NAME IS MICHELLE, I USE A POWER WHEELCHAIR, WHICH MAKES GETTING PLACES EASIER IF IT IS CLOSE TO MY HOME, NOT IF THERE ARE SIDEWALKS, IF THERE AREN'T ANY SIDEWALKS. I AM EDUCATED AND ENGAGED CONSUMER. I AM A ON A RIDER REVIEW COMMITTEE AND PLAN REVIEW DEALING WITH FUNDING IN THE COUNTY. I ALSO SAT ON THE CALIFORNIA OM STEAD COMMITTEE AND MULTIPLE OTHERS.

16:17:40 I HAVE USED FIX ROUTE AND TRANSIT SYSTEMS ALL OVER CALIFORNIA FOR OVER 30 YEARS, HAVING HAD THAT EXPERIENCE I KNOW I HAVE THE RIGHT TO GET WHERE I NEED TO GO, ONLY IF I LIVE WITHIN A MILE OF THE FIXED ROUTE STOP, I EXPERIENCE DELAYS, LONG RIDES, NO RIDE, WHEN TOO EARLY, NO SAME DAY RIDES AND MANY OTHER TRANSPORTATION RELATED ISSUES. I KNOW THEY CAN BUILD A BETTER ACCESSIBILITY TRNS TOR PAGS WORK GROUP THAT TRULY MOVES THINGS WOR FARD.

16:17:56 IT IS TIME TO MAKE TRANSPORTATION FOR ALL A PRIORITY. THAT WORK GROUP MUST ENSURE AND REBUILD A TRANSPORTATION SYSTEM THAT WORKS FOR ALL. BECAUSE NO BODY ELSE WILL. SO THANK YOU.

16:18:18 >> THANK YOU, NO BODY ELSE WILL, YOU ARE EXACTLY RIGHT. I AM GOING TO READ FROM A FEW MORE STORIES SO THAT EVERYBODY HAS A ROUNDED PERSPECTIVE OF DIFFERENT BARRIERS TO ACCESSIBLE TRANSPORTATION. I AM BEGINNING TO THEN TALK ABOUT THIS SLIDE SOME AND THEN I AM BEGINNING TO PUNT IT TO RUSSEL. THANK YOU FOR SHARING YOUR STORY.

16:18:49 SO, THE FIRST IS SADLY NOT A RARE OCCURRENCE, HAVING WORKED IN LONG-TERM SERVICES AND SUPPORTS FOR MORE THAN HALF MY LIFE I HAVE SEEN THIS ALL TOO MUCH. THIS STORY I WITNESSED. A 92-YEAR-OLD MONOLINGUAL RUSSIAN SPEECHER WITH LATE STAGE DEMENTIA HAD A RIDE SCHEDULED TO HER DAY PROGRAM AT 9:30 A.M. WITH RETURN SCHEDULED FOR 12:30.

16:18:55 WE DO THESE IN ADVANCE AND STAFF CONFIRM AND MANIFEST APPROVED.

16:19:19 WHEN THE BUS ARRIVED TO THE PROGRAM THAT DAY AND OUR PARTICIPANT WAS NOT ON THE BUS, STAFF ASKED THE DRIVER WHERE SHE WAS. AND THE DRIVER SAID SHE HAD DROPPED HER OFF AT 102 ACRE PUBLIC PARK ALONE, REMIND YOU THIS IS A RUSSIAN SPEAKING WOMAN WITH LATE STAGE ALZHEIMER'S DISEASE. WHEN ASKED THE DRIVER WHY DROPPED OFF THERE WHEN THIS IS THE DESTINATION.

16:19:50 THE DRIVER SAID SHE SEEMED LIKE SHE WANTED TO GO TO THAT PARK. THE POLICE WERE CALLED AND DISPATCHED AND OUR ADULT DAY HEALTH CARE CENTER STAFF WHO ARE RUSSIAN SPEAKING WENT TO THE PARK TO FIND HER, AND AGAIN, SADLY THIS IS ONE OF HUNDREDS OF STORIES WITH MISHAPS WITH FRAIL ELDERS WITH DEMENTIA AND IT'S PAINFUL, OUR SECOND STORY COMES FROM A GENT 8 MAN WHO IS BLIND AND HAS HEARING LOSS, BRIEF STORY ABOUT NAVIGATING TRANSPORTATION IN A RURAL YAR.

16:20:14 WITH THE NEVADA COUNTY TRANSIT. I WAS FRUSTRATED BY THE DRIVER LACK OF DISABILITY SENSITIVITY TRAINING WITH REGARD TO MY GUIDE DOG AND ENDED UP WALKING TO FREED WHICH IS ABOUT 5 MILES, WITH REGARDS TO PARA TRANSIT I LIVE A MILE AND A HALF FROM DOWNTOWN NEVADA CITY.

16:20:28 PARA TRANSIT ONLY TRAVELS THREE KWART RS OF A MILE OFF THE FIXED ROUTE BUS SYSTEM. WHICH IS A CHALLENGE FOR MANY OF THE RURAL ADPULTS AND PEOPLE WITH DISABILITIES.

16:20:52 ISSUE IS IT'S EXPENSIVE TO LIVE IN OR NEAR OUR CITY, MANY PEOPLE I KNOW WANT TO LIVE THERE HAVE O PURCHASE OR RENT A HOME FAR AWAY FROM TOWN SO IT'S AFFORDABLE AND MAKES THEM OUT OF RANGE OF PUBLIC TRANSIT, AS YOU ARE AWARE MOST THINGS ARE BECOMING LESS AND LESS AFFORDABLE FOR MOST PEOPLE. THAT'S THE END OF THIS QUOTE.

16:21:37 WE WENT BACK AND FORTH WITH ADDITIONAL E-MAILS AND THIS ENDING OF THE FINAL E-MAIL BROKE MY HEART. IT SAID, BUT I OFTEN GET EXHAUSTED HAVING TO EXPLAIN THAT I'M ALLOWED TO MOVE FREELY THROUGH THIS WORLD. I WANT TO LET THAT SETTLE, WHAT LACK OF TRANNING AND INVESTMENT IN ACCESSIBLE TRAPS PORATION FEELS LIKE FOR SOMEBODY WHO CAN'T GET IN A CAR AND GO.

16:22:01 NO STATE IN AMERICA COMES CLOSE TO OUR COMMITMENT OF RADICALLY CHANGING OUR SYSTEM OF PRESENTATION. THAT'S TRUE, AS LONG AS YOU ARE NOT DISABLED OR ELDERLY. OUR SYSTEM PLANNING COMPLETELY CARVES OUT THESE POPULATIONS BY NOT INCLUDING THEM IN ANYTHING. THE LIST OF FAILURES TO IMPLEMENT THAT JOHN WALKED US THROUGH.

16:22:31 SIMPLY CAN'T BE DISMISSED AS RANDOM, IT'S A PATTERN SO PERVASIVE THAT WE CAN ONLY VIEW AS BEING INTENTIONAL. THE SOLUTION, IS SUPER SIMPLE, RIGHT, STAKEHOLDERS LAY IT OUT IN THE MASTER PLAN FOR AGING BODY OF WORK, OVER 800 RECOMMENDATIONS THAT WENT TO THE CABINET LEVEL WORK GROUP THAT WERE DISCARDED AND REPLACED WITH BENIGN THINGS LIKE BAND AIDS.

16:23:04 NOT ADDRESSING THE ROOT CAUSE OF THE ISSUE, IT'S SIMPLE, THE RECIPE IS IN FRONT OF YOU ON THE SLIDE, MODERNIZED POLICY AND STABLE FUNDING, IT'S THAT SIMPLE, FUND EXPAND AND EMPOWER. WHAT ARE THOSE, THINK ABOUT WE KNOW IN AGING AND DISABILITY, WE KNOW THAT AGING DISABILITY RESOURCE CONNECTION, RIGHT, THINK ABOUT THAT BUT FOR TRANSPORTATION. IT'S A VERY SIMILAR CONCEPT. WHAT ARE THE NEEDS LOCALLY, WHERE ARE GAPS AND HOW DO WE BUILD A SYSTEM.

16:23:34 AROUND THE NEEDS OF THE RIDER. VERY MUCH LIKE MARTY'S COMMENTARY ABOUT CAL AIM, ULTIMATELY WHAT IS THE IMPACT FOR THE PERSON WHO NEEDS THAT. THEY ADVOCATE, ORGANIZE AND PROVIDE ACCESSIBLE TRANSPORTATION SERVICES, SUCH AS BUT NOT LIMITED TO WALK BLT, ROLL ABILITY, AFFORDABILITY, VOLUNTEER DRIVER PROGRAMS, [LISTING.]

16:24:10 I WOULD BE REMISS IF I DID NOT ADDRESS THE FACT WHAT WE ARE HEARING ABOUT INVESTMENTS IN TRANSPORTATION ARE SURFACE. IF WE DO NOT GET TO THE CORE OF THE PROBLEM, THE ROOT OF THE PROBLEM, THE POLICY, AND WE DO NOT GET TO A PLACE OF ONGOING FUNDING WE WILL NOT SEE THIS PROBLEM IRRADIATED AND PEOPLE WITH DISABILITIES AND ELDERS WILL CONTINUE TO NAVIGATE THROUGH THE WORLD HAVING TO EXPLAIN THEY HAVE TO RIGHT TO DO SO. WOULD YOU LIKE TO TAKE IT FROM HERE?

16:24:27 >> GOOD AFTERNOON, MY NAME IS RUSSEL, I AM THE STATEWIDE COMMUNITY ORGANIZER AT CALIFORNIA FOUNDATION FOR INDEPENDENT LIVING CENTERS. AND FACILITATOR OF THE DISABILITY ORGANIZING NETWORK OR DO NETWORK, I SEE SO MANY FRIENDLY FACES HERE, I AM GLAD TO BE TALKING TO YOU TODAY.

16:24:52 SO EVERYONE KNOWS, TOO, I ALSO IDENTIFY AS A PERSON WITH CEREBRAL PALSY, I USE A POWER WHEELCHAIR FOR MY MOBILITY, AND SOY AM GOING TO SHIFT GEARS A LITTLE BIT. AND SAY THAT THIS IS REALLY A DISCUSSION ABOUT EQUITY. AS YOU SEE IN THIS SLIDE, THIS IS MY FAVORITE.

16:25:31 I HAVE SEEN THE EQUITY DISCUSSION DISCUSSED SO MANY DIFFERENT WAYS WITH GRAPHICS, THIS MAY BE MY NEW FAVORITE FROM CAL TRANS, VERY FITTING. AT FIRST, THE IMAGE THERE WITH EQUALITY. I SEE MASSIVE DISPARITY, RIGHT? THAT PERSON IN THAT WHEELCHAIR IS BEING GIVEN A BIKE. AND CHANCES ARE THAT PERSON CANNOT BENEFIT. CERTAINLY THE PERSON NEXT TO THE WOMAN IS ALSO NOT BENEFITTING FROM A BIKE.

16:25:51 THEY ARE HAVING TO PUT THEMSELVES IN AN EXTREMELY PAINFUL POSITION. TO OPERATE IT. AND FINALLY THE WOMAN KIND OF IN THE MIDDLE APPEARS TO BE USING THE BIKE OKAY. BUT CERTAINLY THE CHILD AND FRONT IS ALSO PAINFULLY STRUGGLING TO OPERATE THE BIKE.

16:25:52 WHERE

16:26:25 AS IN THE SECOND SLIDE WE ARE SEEING THERE IS AN EFFORT, CONCRETE EFFORT MADE TO PROVIDE APPROPRIATE BIKES FOR ALL INVOLVED. AND SO AS YOU HAVE HEARD FROM JOHN AND DEBBIE SO MANY SYSTEMS NOT BUILT WITH EQUITY, NOW PUSHING DOWN UPON US, THAT WE ABSOLUTELY MUST GET IN AND FIX WHAT IS WRONG AND THAT IS THE EQUITY.

16:27:05 AND SO, YOU KNOW I THINK WHAT WE'VE GOT NOW TO SUMMARIZE AND REALLY DIG INTO THIS. WE'VE GOT YOU KNOW THE PROMISE OF A NOTHING WITHOUT US ABOUT US APPROACH. FROM THE AGING COMMUNITY. THE MASTER PLAN FOR AGING. AND MANY OF YOU KNOW, ALL OF US IN THIS ROOM ARE FAMILIAR WITH THIS PHRASE, ONE OF THE TENANTS OF THE DISABILITY RIGHTS MOVEMENT. AND IN TRANSPORTATION, IT'S MORE OF A--YOU GET WHAT WE GIVE YOU AND YOU LIKE IT, TYPE OF APPROACH.

16:27:33 THAT'S REAL, YOU HEARD FROM VOICES THAT ARE EXPERIENCING THIS, REALLY HONESTLY COMES DOWN TO THE VERY FUNDAMENTAL LEVELS OF ALL OF THIS, TRANSIT PLANNING AND URBAN AT LARGE ARE NOT ACCESSIBLE INSTITUTIONS. IT'S COMPLETELY RIDICULOUS THAT I AND OTHER PEOPLE WITH DISABILITIES MUST BE MASTERS OR DOCTORATE LEVEL EXPERTS ON MULTIPLE SUBJECT AREAS.

16:28:09 INCLUDING PUBLIC POLICY AND TRANSPORTATION PLANNING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT TO UNDERSTAND THESE SYSTEMS, ONLY TO FIND OUT THEY ARE FAILING EVERYONE, INCLUDING THOSE THAT HAVE FANCY FILES AND LEARNED ALL OF THIS. MOST PEOPLE WOULD BE ABSOLUTELY SHOCKED TO LEARN THAT MANY PEOPLE WITH DISABILITIES WHO ARE LIVING IN POVERTY ON SSI IN MANY CASES ARE ATTENDING COUNSEL OF GOVERNMENT MEETINGS REGULARLY.

16:28:44 THIS IS A VERY UNUSUAL PUBLIC MEETING THAT MOST PEOPLE, I WOULD SAY MAYBE A FRACTION OF A FRACTION OF PEOPLE EVEN THOUGH EXIST IN THEIR COMMUNITY. HOWEVER, PEOPLE WITH DISABILITIES ARE FORCED INTO THESE SPACES FOR ADVOCACY JUST TO BE HEARD. WHEN I FIRST STARTED ATTENDING MY LOCAL COUNCIL GOVERNMENT MEETINGS I WAS NOT THE ONLY ONE.

16:29:12 THERE HAD BEEN PEOPLE WITH DISABILITIES ATTENDING FOR MANY, MANY YEARS PRIOR. SO IT'S SO IMPORTANT THAT WE TALK ABOUT EQUITY. IN ORDER TO EVEN GET THIS CONVERSATION GOING TO MYRIAD OF SYSTEMS THAT MAKE UP A TRANCE PRORATION CONVERSATION, CAL TRANS, STATE TRANSPORTATION AGENCY AND COMMISSION, AND COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS AND TRANSIT PROVIDERS.

16:29:42 SO MANY MORE, THEY'VE GOT TO GET ALL ON THE SAME PAGE. IT'S FITTING THERE HAS RECENTLY BEEN AN EFFORT TO ESTABLISH FEBRUARY 4TH AS TRANSIT EQUITY DAY. FEELS KIND OF STRANGE TO ALSO KNOW THIS IS THE DATE OF MY BIRTH. I CAN GO ON SO LONG ABOUT THE WAYS THAT ACCESS TO TRANSPORTATION CHANGED MY LIFE. AND EVEN ENCOURAGED ME TO MOVE HALF WAY ACROSS THE COUNTRY ON MY OWN WITH NO FAMILY SUPPORT.

16:30:12 BUT I THINK THAT ONE OF THE FIRST TO TALK ABOUT TRANSIT EQUITY MAKES MY POINT FAR BETTER THAN I COULD. SHE SAYS "BACK THEN AS A TEENAGER I KEPT THINKING, WHY DON'T THE ADULTS AROUND HERE JUST SAY SOMETHING? SAY IT SO THEY KNOW WE DON'T ACCEPT SE GRE GAGS. I KNEW THEN AND KNOW NOW THAT WHEN IT COMES TO JUSTICE THERE IS NO EASY WAY TO GET IT.

16:30:37 YOU CAN'T SUGAR COAT IT. YOU HAVE TO TAKE A STAND AND SAY, THIS IS NOT RIGHT." I AM CERTAIN IF YOU ASK MAJORITY OF PEOPLE WITH DISABILITIES SEEN AND UNSEEN WHO FALL THROUGH CRACKS, EVEN AS SHE DID, THEY WILL TELL YOU THIS IS NOT RIGHT. AND I HOPE YOU ARE ALL HERE TO HELP US CHANGE THAT.

16:30:55 >> I THINK ERIC WAS GOING TO SHARE WITH US OUR COCHAIR, WAS GOING TO SHARE WITH US HIS EXPERIENCE AND OPEN IT FOR DISCUSSION, THANK YOU.

16:31:43 I WAS BORN WITH MY PHYSICAL DISABILITY. I'VE BEEN A WHEELCHAIR USER MOST OF MY LIFE. IN THE SPIRIT OF WHAT WAS KNOWN AS THE OLMSTEAD COMMITTEE, OF COURSE, INDEPENDENT LIVING, BEING ABLE TO LIVE AMONG THE COMMUNITY, WITH PEOPLE WITHOUT DISABILITIES AND THOSE WITH DISABILITIES, TRANSPORTATION IS A HUGE PIECE IN IN BEING ABLE TO DO THAT SUCCESSFULLY.

16:32:13 THROUGHOUT MY LIFE, ESPECIALLY AS A YOUNG PERSON, I WANTED TO BE ABLE TO RELIABLY DEPEND ON PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION AND PARATRANSIT, EVERY FORM OF PUBLICLY-FUNDED TRANSPORTATION THAT I COULD USE. AND FRANKLY I GOT TO A POINT VERY QUICKLY, THAT I'M SURE MANY OF YOU HAVE, WHERE I COULDN'T PUT UP WITH IT ANYMORE, AND I COULDN'T DEAL WITH IT,.

16:32:36 AND I HAD TO FIGURE OUT OTHER FORMS OF TRANSPORTATION, AND I WAS IN A FORTUNATE SITUATION WHERE I COULD DO THAT, BUT I KNOW MANY IN OUR COMMUNITY ARE NOT ABLE TO DO THAT. MANY PEOPLE WITH DIFFERENT DISABILITIES, MANY PEOPLE WHO ARE AGING, ARE NOT ABLE TO GO ABOUT FINDING OTHER FORMS OF TRANSPORTATION.

16:33:01 THEY HAVE TO DEPEND ON PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION AND PARATRANSIT. SO I REALLY APPRECIATE THIS CONVERSATION. IT'S CRUCIAL, OUR STATE'S BUDGET, ANY BUDGET REALLY LAYS OUT THE PRIORITIES THAT WE HAVE AS A COMMUNITY, AS A STATE FOR THE PEOPLE IN THE COMMUNITY AND IN THE STATE.

16:33:23 AND THIS IS A WONDERFUL OPPORTUNITY. WE'VE TALKED ABOUT IT PRETTY CONSISTENTLY IN THIS CONVERSATION, IN THIS MEETING AND IN MEETINGS PRIOR, THAT WE'RE IN A MAJOR SURPLUS AS A STATE, AND THE STATE HAS AN INCREDIBLE OPPORTUNITY TO SHOW THE STATE, TO SHOW THE PEOPLE WHAT OUR PRIORITIES ARE AS A STATE.

16:33:54 AND SO ACCESSIBLE TRANSPORTATION FOR PEOPLE WITH DISABILITIES, FOR PEOPLE WHO ARE AGING, IS A WAY, AND SHOULD BE ONE OF THE TOP PRIORITIES FOR THE STATE. SO I'M REALLY LOOKING FORWARD TO THIS CONVERSATION. I KNOW IT'S A LITTLE AFTER 4:30. BUT WE HOPE TO HAVE A CONVERSATION WITH ALL OF YOU AND GET YOUR THOUGHTS, AND THEN WE'LL GO INTO PUBLIC COMMENT AFTER THAT.

16:34:28 BUT DOES ANYBODY HAVE ANY COMMENTS THAT THEY'D LIKE TO MAKE? I SEE A COUPLE OF HANDS STARTING TO GO UP. I'LL GO AHEAD AND START CALLING ON PEOPLE. I SEE JENNY PARKER, I'M SORRY IF I -- PARKER-MARTIN, I'M SORRY IF I SAID YOUR NAME WRONG.

16:34:49 >> THAT'S OKAY. THANK YOU. AND THANK YOU, ALL OF YOU, FOR THAT EXCELLENT PRESENTATION. DURING THE MASTER PLAN FOR AGING DISCUSSIONS, WE TALKED ABOUT TRANSPORTATION, AND I KNOW THERE ARE A FEW COMMENTS IN THE CHAT, WE CAN'T SIT BACK. BUT WE ALSO TALKED ABOUT HOUSING BEING A RIGHT AND TRANSPORTATION SHOULD ALSO BE A RIGHT.

16:35:12 AND I THINK THAT WE HAVE TO REALLY IMPACT NOW, BECAUSE THE AGING POPULATION AND PEOPLE WITH DISABILITIES ARE GOING TO CONTINUE TO GROW. SO I DON'T KNOW HOW WE MOVE FORWARD IN DACLAC, I THINK THAT'S A QUESTION THAT I HAVE, WHAT DO WE DO ABOUT THIS.

16:35:32 AND NOW ARE WE WRITING BUDGET ASKS SO THAT TRANSPORTATION IS PLACED IN THE RIGHT PLACES, AND ACCESSIBLE TO THE RIGHT PEOPLE, SIMILAR TO WHAT'S HAPPENING WITH WORKFORCE, WHERE THERE ARE TRANSPORTATION STIPENDS, THERE ARE ACCESSIBILITY CONVERSATIONS, ET CETERA.

16:35:42 SO THANK YOU AGAIN, AND I'LL LOOK FORWARD TO SEEING HOW WE MOVE FORWARD TO HAVE ACTION AND NOT BE PASSIVE ANY LONGER.

16:35:53 >> THANK YOU SO MUCH. SO I'LL GO AHEAD AND CALL ON PETER MENDOZA.

16:36:20 >> THANK YOU, ERIC. AND I REALLY APPRECIATE THIS CONVERSATION. AND I WANT TO COMMEND EVERYONE THAT'S WORKING ON IMPROVING TRANSPORTATION IN THIS STATE. JUST A COUPLE OF OBSERVATIONS. I'M A PERSON WITH DISABILITIES AND I HAVE CEREBRAL PALSY, AND THESE DAYS, I HAVE TRANSPORTATION ALTERNATIVES, MUCH LIKE ERIC DISCUSSED.

16:36:45 BUT I DO REMEMBER NOT SO LONG AGO WHEN I MOVED TO ELK GROVE, I TOLD A BUS DRIVER WHERE I NEEDED TO GET OFF THE BUS AFTER COMING FROM THE CAPITOL. AND I DIDN'T KNOW MY WAY AROUND, AND I DIDN'T REALIZE THAT THE STREETS, INTERSECTION I WAS GOING THROUGH HAD A COUPLE OF DIFFERENT NAMES.

16:37:12 AND THE BUS DRIVER DROPPED ME OFF FIVE MILES AWAY FROM HOME DOWN IN A DIRT ROAD, AND I WAS REALLY STRANDED. NOW, I HAVE PRIVILEGE, I WAS ABLE TO GET A HOLD OF SOMEONE TO HAVE A VAN TO PICK ME UP AND GET HOME. THIS ENDED WELL. BUT MANY TIMES IN MY LIFE, THE SAME SCENARIO DID NOT.

16:37:36 ONE OF THE ISSUES THAT WE HAVE WITH TRANSPORTATION IS A LACK OF COORDINATION, ESPECIALLY FOR ACCESSIBLE TRANSPORTATION, AND NO EMERGENCY BACKUP SERVICE, WHETHER YOUR WHEELCHAIR BREAKS DOWN, OR YOU'RE NOT ABLE TO GET TO A BUS STOP, BECAUSE SOMETHING HAPPENS MID--TRIP OR BECAUSE OF AN EMERGENCY.

16:38:11 THERE NEEDS TO BE A PROCESS MORE EMERGENCY BACKUP SERVICES. ALSO IT'S IMPORTANT TO KNOW THAT MANY PEOPLE WHO ARE LOW-INCOME, THOSE FOLKS THAT GO TO MEETINGS TO ADVOCATE FOR ACCESSIBILITY AND COORDINATION FOR TRANSIT ARE OFTEN VERY LOW-INCOME THEMSELVES. THEY'RE RELYING ON SSI OR OTHER BENEFIT PROGRAMS, OR THEY'RE WORKING AND THEY HAVE HIGH MEDICAL COSTS THEY PAY OUT-OF-POCKET.

16:38:42 THIS IS A BARRIER FOR FOLKS TO PARTICIPATE. ALSO WE ARE CONSIDERED SORT OF A SUBSET POPULATION BY MANY TRANSIT DECISION-MAKERS, IN MY OPINION. AND THERE ARE SOME TIMES WHEN DISTRICTS LISTEN TO PEOPLE WITHOUT DISABILITIES MORE THAN THEY LISTEN TO PEOPLE WITH DISABILITIES OR TAKE US INTO ACCOUNT WHEN THEY'RE PLANNING.

16:39:13 IN CLOSING I JUST WANTED TO THROW OUT THE NEED FOR BETTER COORDINATED TRANSPORTATION DURING A DISASTER OR OTHER EMERGENCY. WE NEED TO HAVE SYSTEMS WHERE WE CAN EVACUATE FOLKS SAFELY. PEOPLE WITH DISABILITIES AS WE ALL KNOW, AND OLDER ADULTS,

REALLY ARE SUBJECT TO EXTREME DURING AN EMERGENCY UP TO AND INCLUDING SERIOUS INJURY AND DEATH.

16:39:37 WE NEED TO DEVELOP A SYSTEM FOR PEOPLE WITH DISABILITIES AND OLDER ADULTS, AND GIVE THEM THE OPTION TO EVACUATE EARLY SO THEY CAN BE SAFE IN AN EMERGENCY. AND TRANSPORTATION TO SHELTERS AND OTHER SUPPORTS NEEDED IS VERY IMPORTANT, BOTH GETTING TO THE SHELTER AND GETTING BACK HOME. THANK YOU.

16:39:50 >> THANK YOU SO MUCH, PETER. WE REALLY APPRECIATE YOUR COMMENTS. NEXT WE HAVE JANEY WHITEFORD.

16:40:12 >> THANK YOU. AND EVEN THOSE OF US WHO ARE LUCKY ENOUGH TO BE ABLE TO NOT USE PARATRANSIT BUT HAVE OUR OWN TRANSIT OPTIONS, RUN INTO THIS ISSUE TOO. AND I THINK PETER WAS RIGHT ON WHEN HE SAID THOSE OF US WITH DISABILITIES AS FAR AS TRANSPORTATION ARE CONCERNED -- IS CONCERNED ARE LIKE SECOND-CLASS CITIZENS.

16:40:42 AND I'VE OFTEN WONDER WHY WE HAVE NOT USED LITIGATION AND THE OLMSTEAD ACT TO PUSH BACK ON A LOT OF THESE ISSUES. I'M JUST THROWING THAT OUT THERE. DEBBIE, YOU MIGHT HAVE AN ANSWER. BUT WHY HAVE WE NOT UTILIZED OLMSTEAD IN THE LEGAL SYSTEM TO BE ABLE TO PUSH BACK.

16:40:58 >> THANK YOU, JANIE, AND I'M SURE FOLKS WILL PROBABLY HAVE SOME COMMENTS IN THE CHAT AND GIVE A RESPONSE TO YOUR QUESTION. NEXT I'LL GO AHEAD AND CALL ON GABRIEL ROGIN.

16:41:17 >> NORTH BAY REGIONAL CENTER. PETER SAID A LOT OF WHAT I WAS GOING TO SAY SO I WON'T REPEAT IT, BUT I COMPLETELY AGREE, THIS IS A QUESTION OF EQUITY AND HAS TO BE A PRIORITY. AS MARTY SAID IT'S REALLY FOUNDATIONAL. WHEN WE HOLD COMMUNITY MEETINGS WITH THE PEOPLE WE SERVE THIS IS OFTEN THE NUMBER ONE ISSUE THAT IS BROUGHT UP.

16:41:37 AND I DON'T HAVE GOOD ANSWERS ABOUT WHY WE HAVEN'T DONE MORE TO ADDRESS THIS. THE OTHER THING I WOULD ADD IS CALIFORNIA'S AN EMPLOYMENT FIRST STATE FOR PEOPLE WITH DISABILITIES. AND THIS IS A MAJOR BARRIER TO EMPLOYMENT. THAT'S JUST ANOTHER PIECE OF THIS. THANK YOU.

16:41:55 >> THANK YOU SO MUCH, GABRIEL. IT'S SO TRUE THAT TRANSPORTATION IS A KEY PIECE IN OUR HEALTHCARE AND OUR EMPLOYMENT, IN OUR EDUCATION. SO IT'S SO CRUCIAL THAT WE HAVE RELIABLE TRANSPORTATION. THANK YOU SO MUCH.

16:41:59 NEXT I'LL CALL ON ROBERT.

16:42:33 >> OKAY. SO I LIVE IN A [AUDIO BREAKING UP] TRANSIT AND -- WE DEFINITELY NEED TO DO TRANSPORTATION -- MEETINGS ACROSS THE STATE -- IN RURAL AREAS LIKE MINE -- DISABLED VOICES OF WHY WE NEED BETTER TRANSPORTATION.

16:43:06 TRANSIT AGENCIES [AUDIO BREAKING UP] ANY AREA IN THE COUNTY LIKE MINE. THEN WE WILL NOT HAVE A SAY ON HOW WE'RE GOING TO DO FOR BETTER TRANSPORTATION. SO THANK YOU FOR BRINGING THE ISSUE UP WITH GOVERNANCE MEETING. I HOPE OUR DISABLED COMMUNITY CAN DEFINITELY HAVE A VOICE OF WHAT WE CAN DO TO GET BETTER PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION, CONTINUE TO BRING THE ISSUE UP TO OUR COMMITTEE. WE REALLY NEED IT.

16:43:18 >> THANK YOU SO MUCH, ROBERT. NEXT I SEE VANCE, YOUR HAND IS UP.

16:43:48 >> YEAH. THANKS, ERIC. I WAS GOING TO TOUCH ON TWO ISSUES, THE FIRST ONE WAS TRANSIT AND EMPLOYMENT, SUCH AN INTEGRAL PART OF BEING ABLE TO GET A JOB, KEEP A JOB, PROMOTE IN A JOB. IF YOU CAN'T GET THERE AND YOU CAN'T GET THERE ON TIME, IF YOU CAN'T GET TO WORK MEETINGS, YOU JUST PUT YOURSELF AT A DISADVANTAGE AND REALLY IT BECOMES IMPOSSIBLE, SOMETIMES, TO ADVANCE IN YOUR CAREER.

16:44:09 SO THAT'S ONE PIECE. THE OTHER THING I WANTED TO TOUCH ON IS EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT HAT ON. ANY TIME YOU START A FIRE IT'S ALMOST LIKE A LAW OF NATURE, THAT FIRE IS GOING TO HAPPEN IN THE MIDDLE OF NIGHT, IT'S GOING TO HAPPEN ON WEEKENDS, AFTER HOURS, IT'S GOING TO HAPPEN ON HOLIDAYS.

16:44:36 AND IF YOU'RE SOMEONE THAT RELIES ON TRANSPORTATION, ESPECIALLY ACCESSIBLE TRANSPORTATION, YOUR OPTIONS OF WHO YOU CALL AND WHEN ARE THEY OPEN AND DO I HAVE TO PROVIDE 24, 48 HOURS NOTICE IN ADVANCE BECOME REALLY CRITICAL REALLY QUICK.

16:45:07 SO TO BE ABLE TO LOOK AT THIS QUESTION ABOUT I'M GOING TO LIVE INDEPENDENT IN THE COMMUNITY, HAS TO DETAIL AS A PART OF THAT CONVERSATION, CAN I LIVE SAFELY IN MY COMMUNITY? CAN I EVACUATE MY COMMUNITY? SO JUST SOME QUESTIONS THAT I THINK WE HAVE TO CONSIDER THROUGH THIS PROCESS AND THINK AROUND THAT ROUTE.

16:45:14 >> THANK YOU SO MUCH, VANCE. SO THOSE ARE ALL THE HANDS THAT WERE RAISED.

16:45:15 >> ERIC, MY HAND WAS RAISED.

16:45:22 >> OH, GO AHEAD, JEFF. SORRY. OR AT LEAST I THOUGHT IT WAS. SORRY ABOUT THAT.

16:45:34 >> I'M JEFF WITH THE CALIFORNIA COUNCIL FOR THE BLIND. THIS IS A FANTASTIC DISCUSSION WE'VE HAD. I'LL KEEP MY COMMENTS BRIEF. ONLY TWO THINGS, ONE BAD, ONE GOOD.

16:46:05 BAD NEWS PERSPECTIVE IN THE LONG TERM, ONE OF THE THINGS THAT CONCERNS ME IS THAT WHEN THE PANDEMIC USES GENERAL POPULOUS IS GOING TO BE LESS LIKELY TO GO BACK TO FIXED ROUTE TRANSIT, BECAUSE THEY'RE NOT GOING TO WANT TO BE IN THAT TYPE OF AN ENVIRONMENT. I HAVE A CONCERN THAT, YOU KNOW, FAIR BOX RECEIPTS WILL NEVER AMOUNT TO WHAT THEY ONCE DID FOR A LONG TIME TO COME.

16:46:40 ON THE GOOD SIDE, THOUGH, WE HAVE AN IMPRESSIVE SHORT-TERM OPPORTUNITY WITH ALL THE MONEY IN THE STATE SURPLUS AND BASED ON WHAT WE'RE GOING TO BE GETTING THE INFRASTRUCTURE AND OTHER MONEYS FROM THE FEDS, AND IF WE DON'T TAKE ADVANTAGE OF THAT OPPORTUNITY, AND I DON'T MEAN THE LITTLE THINGS THAT THE GOVERNOR HAS, YOU KNOW, SUGGESTED SO FAR BUT I MEAN IN SOME REALLY IMPORTANT WAYS, IF WE DON'T TAKE ADVANTAGE OF IT NOW,.

16:46:51 WE MAY NEVER REALIZE THE POTENTIAL FOR REAL ADVANCEMENTS IN EQUITY FOR PEOPLE WHO ARE SENIORS WHO HAVE DISABILITIES. THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

16:46:58 >> THANK YOU SO MUCH, JEFF, FOR YOUR COMMENT. NEXT WE HAVE ANNA ACTON.

16:47:06 >> THANK YOU VERY MUCH. IS MY SOUND OKAY.

16:47:06 >> YES.

16:47:37 >> OKAY. ACTUALLY EVERYONE'S COVERED IT. I JUST WANT TO THANK EVERYONE FOR ELEVATING THIS CONVERSATION. IT'S BEEN REALLY MEANINGFUL, AND TO HEAR YOU DISCUSS NOT ONLY JUST COMMUNITY LIVING BUT, YOU KNOW, EMPLOYMENT, EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS, THESE ARE ALL SUCH CRITICAL ISSUES THAT REALLY BECOME A BARRIER FOR PEOPLE TO BE ABLE TO LIVE, WORK AND PLAY IN THE COMMUNITIES OF THEIR CHOICE. SO THANK YOU SO MUCH FOR THE CONVERSATION.

16:47:41 >> THANK YOU, ANA. NEXT I SEE RICHARD SMITH.

16:48:00 >> YEAH, HI, EVERYONE. GOOD CONVERSATION. HUGE PROBLEM. A POINT I'D LIKE TO MAKE IS THAT WE CANNOT LOOK AT TRANSPORTATION INADEQUACIES AS A TRANSPORTATION ISSUE. IT'S REALLY A HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES ISSUE.

16:48:30 WE NEED TO BE DEEPLY INVOLVED IN THAT. WE NEED TO -- I MEAN TRANSIT'S HAD THE OPPORTUNITY TO DEAL WITH THIS SINCE 1979, THROUGH THE CTSAS THAT WERE CREATED. AND ALL I SEE ARE TRAVEL TRAINING PROGRAMS, YOU KNOW, THINGS THAT REALLY DON'T ANSWER THE QUESTIONS OR MEET THE NEEDS OF PEOPLE WHO REALLY NEED SOLUTIONS.

16:48:54 AND SO I THINK WE HAVE TO THINK OUT OF THE BOX, THINK ABOUT WHAT TRANSPORTATION MEANS, REALIZE THAT IT MEANS PEOPLE GETTING WHERE THEY NEED TO GO AND THEY NEED TO GO, ANY TIME DAY OR NIGHT, WITHOUT ANY OTHER ISSUES BEING INVOLVED. THAT MEANS WE PROBABLY HAVE TO RETHINK HOW TRANSPORTATION WORKS, PERIOD.

16:49:15 GET OFF THE WHEELS, GET OFF THE OLD WAY OF DOING THINGS. THINK OF SOMETHING NEW, A NEW WAY TO DO IT. AND ONE OF THE SUGGESTIONS I HAVE IS THAT WE CAN USE OUR POPULATIONS. I MEAN FOR YEARS THERE HAVE BEEN PROGRAMS WHERE FRIENDS AND NEIGHBORS HAVE HELPED FRIENDS AND NEIGHBORS.

16:49:37 LET'S REALLY FORMALIZE THAT. LET'S REALLY GET THAT GOING. ONE OF THE QUESTIONS IS WHO DO YOU CALL? WELL, WOULDN'T IT BE NICE TO CALL YOUR NEIGHBOR? WOULDN'T IT BE NICE TO CALL SOMEBODY WHO LIVES ACROSS THE STREET? AND THEY SAY, OH, YEAH, I CAN GET YOU THERE, AND I CAN TAKE YOU RIGHT NOW. WOULDN'T THAT BE WONDERFUL?

16:50:01 >> THANK YOU. THANK YOU, RICHARD. I DO NOT SEE ANY OTHER HANDS RAISED. AND I KNOW THE NEXT PORTION OF OUR AGENDA IS ON PUBLIC COMMENT, WHICH WE, OF COURSE, IN PRIOR MEETINGS WOULD COVER HOT TOPICS KIND OF CURRENTLY HAPPENING.

16:50:11 SO I'M ASSUMING, MARIYA, DO YOU HAVE THE NEXT PIECE? SOUNDS GOOD. I'LL HAND IT OFF TO YOU. YOU'RE ON MUTE.

16:50:26 >> THANKS, ERIC. [LAUGHS] I APPRECIATE THAT. AND I WILL TRY TO NAVIGATE US THROUGH THE PUBLIC COMMENT SECTION. WE HAVE ABOUT TEN MINUTES LEFT. AND NANCY I'M WONDERING IF YOU CAN JUST PULL UP THE SLIDES THAT HAVE INSTRUCTIONS FOR THAT COMPONENT.

16:50:40 SO FOR THOSE JOINING US VIA ZOOM, PLEASE USE THE RAISE HAND FEATURE TO JOIN THE QUEUE TO MAKE A PUBLIC COMMENT. AND IF YOU ARE JOINING US BY PHONE, PRESS STARN AND THAT WILL ADD YOU TO THE QUEUE.

16:50:57 I WANT TO JUST SAY THAT WITH TEN MINUTES LEFT, AND I SEE SOME HANDS GOING UP FROM OUR ATTENDEES, I WANT US TO REALLY JUST FOCUS ON PUBLIC COMMENTS. SO JUST KNOW THAT COMMITTEE MEMBERS MAY NOT BE ABLE TO RESPOND TO QUESTIONS, BUT IT IS ON THE PUBLIC RECORD.

16:51:15 I KNOW WE HAVE QUITE A FEW THINGS THAT WERE SHARED IN THE Q&A. AND I'LL TRY TO SUMMARIZE THOSE THE BEST I CAN. BUT FIRST I WANT TO GIVE BILL THE OPPORTUNITY TO SHARE HIS COMMENT. HE'S BEEN PATIENTLY WAITING WITH HIS HAND UP FOR QUITE SOME TIME. SO BILL, I'VE OPENED YOUR LINE AND YOU SHOULD BE ABLE TO JUMP IN.

16:51:39 >> OKAY. THANK YOU SO MUCH. I'M BILL PELTER AND I WANTED TO SHARE THAT AS GREAT AS THE MASTER PLAN ON AGING IS AND WE ALL CELEBRATE THAT, IT'S CLEAR AT THE LOCAL LEVEL THAT WE NEED ACCESSIBLE TRANSPORTATION, BECAUSE IT DIRECTLY AFFECTS WHAT WE CAN ACHIEVE AT THE LOCAL LEVEL FOR OUR RESIDENTS.

16:51:58 ADDITIONALLY, WE ALL KNOW HOW DEVASTATING COVID WAS TO OUR COMMUNITIES, PARTICULARLY THE UNDERSERVED COMMUNITIES. WE KNOW THAT HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES AND COUNTIES ARE LOOKING AT MORE OF A HOLISTIC MODEL OF SERVICES, RATHER THAN THE MODEL THAT WE'VE HAD.

16:52:29 AND THE TRANSPORTATION IS KEY TO HELPING PROVIDE SERVICES ACCESSIBLE SERVICES, GOING FORWARD. I WOULD ADD, AS WAS MENTIONED EARLY IN THE PRESENTATION, WE'RE AT THE VERY BEGINNING OF THE DEMAND CURVE BASED ON THE STATE'S ESTIMATES THAT ONE IN FOUR CALIFORNIANS ARE GOING TO BE A SENIOR BY 2030. SO WHATEVER WE DO NOW, WE NEED TO SET THE STAGE GOING FORWARD TO CONTINUE TO MEET THE GROWING COMMUNITY NEED.

16:52:30 THANK YOU FOR THE OPPORTUNITY.

16:52:38 >> THANK YOU, BILL. ALWAYS LOVELY TO HEAR FROM YOU. GENIE, YOUR LINE HAS BEEN OPENED.

16:52:39 >> CAN YOU HEAR ME?

16:52:40 >> UH-HUH.

16:52:59 >> ALL RIGHT. HELLO, EVERYONE. I'M JEANNIE, I'M THE DEPUTY DIRECTOR AT CALTRANS FOR PLANNING AND MOTO PROGRAMS. I OVERSEE ONE OF OUR DIVISIONS IS THE PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION DIVISION. AND SO I JUST WANTED TO INTRODUCE MYSELF TO THE GROUP.

16:53:28 I REALLY APPRECIATE ALL THE DISCUSSION ABOUT PUBLIC TRANSIT AND TRANSPORTATION CHALLENGES, AND JUST WANT TO ECHO AND SUPPORT WHAT ALL THE COMMITTEE MEMBERS HAVE SAID AND THE OTHER SPEAKERS ABOUT JUST HOW CRITICAL EQUITY IN TRANSPORTATION IS. CALTRANS IS DEEPLY COMMITTED AND HAS REALLY LIFTED UP EQUITY AND ACCESSIBILITY FOR ALL USERS, ALL AGES AND ABILITIES, IN OUR STRATEGIC PLAN.

16:53:58 JUST IN THE LAST COUPLE OF YEARS. AND I THINK WE HAVE A RENEWED FOCUS ON THE ISSUES THAT YOU'RE ALL TALKING ABOUT HERE. AND I JUST WANT TO OFFER MY SUPPORT AS A LEADER ON THE EXECUTIVE TEAM AT CALTRANS TO WORK WITH YOU AND CONTINUE TO ENGAGE IN THIS CONVERSATION. WE'VE OBVIOUSLY -- I'M SURE YOU ALL ARE AWARE, THERE'S A LOT OF NEW

FUNDING COMING TO THE STATE FROM THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT FOR INFRASTRUCTURE INVESTMENT.

16:54:22 AND STATE FUNDS PROPOSED AS WELL. SO THERE'S REALLY UNIQUE OPPORTUNITY THAT WE HAVE RIGHT NOW TO TRANSFORM OUR SYSTEMS. AND I THINK WE'RE COMMITTED TO THAT. SO I JUST APPRECIATE ALL OF THE CHALLENGES AND ISSUES THAT YOU'VE RAISED TODAY AND WANT TO EXPRESS MY SUPPORT FROM WHERE I SIT AT THE STATE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION. THANK YOU SO MUCH.

16:54:30 >> THANK YOU, JEANNEY AND I WANT TO POINT OUT THAT THE MEMBERS IN THE CHAT ARE INVITING YOU TO JOIN THE WORKGROUP.

16:54:31 >> FABULOUS. THANK YOU.

16:54:40 >> SO THANK YOU SO MUCH FOR TUNING IN AND FOR LISTENING. LET'S GO TO SHELLA. GO AHEAD.

16:55:00 >> HI. GOOD AFTERNOON. HOW IS EVERYONE? OH, MY GOSH. MY NAME IS SHELLADUMONG AND I'M THE MOM OF A NEW 30-YEAR-OLD TRANS MALE WHO HAS DOWN'S, AND ALSO WHO LIVES INDEPENDENTLY BUT WITH SUPPORT. IN HIS OWN APARTMENT USING A SECTION 8 VOUCHER

16:55:29 I'M ALSO THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF CHANCE HOUSING, AND WE RENT SUBSIDIES IN EXISTING COMMUNITY-BASED HOUSING FOR VULNERABLE PEOPLE, INCLUDING PEOPLE OF ALL AGES WHO HAVE COGNITIVE, INTELLECTUAL, DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES, OLDER CALIFORNIANS, SINGLE PARENT HOUSEHOLDS, FAMILIES WHO HAVE KIDS WITH DISABILITIES, HOMELESS PEOPLE, VETERANS AND PEOPLE WHO HAVE TRAUMATIC BRAIN INJURIES.

16:55:43 BEEN A HOUSING ADVOCATE, I DON'T KNOW, OVER 23 YEARS NOW. I ALSO SIT ON THE DEVELOPMENTAL SERVICES TASK FORCE AND THEIR WORKGROUP THAT DEALS WITH HOUSING.

16:56:09 I JUST WANT TO THANK THE COMMITTEE. THIS HAS BEEN A TREMENDOUS MEETING. IT HAS BEEN SO EDUCATIONAL. AND I REALLY VALUE THE IMPORTANCE OF THE WORK THAT YOU'RE DOING. IT'S AMAZING. I THINK IT'S ALSO IMPORTANT TO THANK THE CALIFORNIA HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICE AGENCY FOR ADVANCING THE IMPORTANT PRIORITIES OF LOOKING AT THE WHOLE PERSON AND THE PERSON-CENTERED OUTCOMES FOR PEOPLE.

16:56:23 ALSO THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTHCARE SERVICES FOR PUSHING FORWARD THE INNOVATIONS OF CALAIM. AND I REALLY BELIEVE THIS WILL BE TRANSFORMATIONAL FOR SO MANY CALIFORNIANS.

16:56:37 AND LASTLY AS A SUBJECT MATTER EXPERT I LOOK FORWARD TO WORKING ON THE HOUSING WORKGROUP IN THE COMING MONTHS. SO THANK YOU VERY MUCH FOR AN AMAZING MEETING, I LEARNED MORE THAN YOU CAN EVEN KNOW. THANK YOU, EVERYBODY. BYE-BYE.

16:56:45 >> THANK YOU, SHELLA. CINDY. YOUR LINE'S BEEN OPENED.

16:56:57 >> THANK YOU VERY MUCH. THERE'S ONE THING THAT GOES HAND IN HAND WITH ACCESSIBLE PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION, IS THE CONDITION OF OUR SIDEWALKS AND OUR TOWNS AND CITIES.

16:57:08 OUR SIDEWALKS HAVE BEEN NEGLECTED FOR DECADES. AND IF YOU CANNOT GO DOWN THE SIDEWALK, YOU CAN'T GET TO THE BUS. THANK YOU.

16:57:33 >> THANK YOU VERY MUCH, CINDY. AND SEEING NO MORE HANDS I JUST WANT TO KIND OF SUMMARIZE WHAT'S BEEN SHARED IN THE Q&A. I'M SEEING LOTS OF FOLKS WHO ARE VOLUNTEERING TO JOIN THE WORKGROUPS. I JUST WANT TO KIND OF RESTATE THAT WE'RE GOING TO PULL DOWN ALL OF THE CHAT, ALL OF THE Q&A AND MAKE SURE THAT WE HAVE A LIST TO FOLLOW UP WITH.

16:58:04 THE OTHER THING THAT'S KIND OF COMING UP IN THE Q&A IS JUST A BIG THANK YOU TO OUR PRESENTERS AND BILL WHO'S SHARING A RESOURCE, AND I WILL GO AHEAD AND POST THAT SO FOLKS CAN ACCESS IT IN THE Q&A. AND WITH THAT, I JUST WANT TO RECOGNIZE DEBBIE, THAT YOU HAVE YOUR HAND UP SO I DON'T KNOW IF YOU HAD ANY FINAL THOUGHTS ON THE TRANSPORTATION PIECE BEFORE WE PASS IT OFF TO SUSAN FOR CLOSING COMMENTS.

16:58:27 >> THANK YOU, I DID INDEED, AND IT WAS JEANNIE THAT SPARKED MY THOUGHT. WE WERE FINITE IN THE AMOUNT OF TIME WE HAD TO SPEAK. SO WHAT I WOULD ADD IF I HAD ANOTHER MINUTE WHICH YOU ARE GIVING ME AND THANK YOU FOR THAT, IS THAT WE NEED TO INCLUDE ACCESSIBLE TRANSPORTATION IN EVERY SINGLE PIECE OF FUNDING THAT WE DO FOR TRANSPORTATION.

16:58:44 IF YOU'RE FUNDING A ROAD, YOU NEED TO FUND ACCESSIBLE TRANSPORTATION. IF YOU'RE BUILDING A BRIDGE, YOU NEED TO FUND ACCESSIBLE TRANSPORTATION. WITH EVERYTHING WE DO, WE NEED TO HAVE THE LENS OF ACCESSIBILITY ADDED TO THE CONVERSATION AND THE FINANCIAL CALCULATION.

16:58:48 AND THANK YOU, EVERYBODY, FOR YOUR ENGAGEMENT, AND LET'S MOVE SOME MOUNTAINS.

16:59:04 >> THANK YOU, DEBBIE. AND THANKS FOR ORGANIZING SUCH AN AMAZING PANEL. I KNOW THAT WAS FOR ME VERY IMPACTFUL TO HEAR ALL OF THE STORIES. THANK YOU. AND WITH THAT, LET ME PASS IT OFF TO SUSAN FOR CLOSING THOUGHTS.

16:59:31 >> OKAY. SO THANK YOU TO EVERYONE FOR THE ENTIRE MEETING. BUT A ESPECIALLY FOR THE CLOSING SESSION ON TRANSPORTATION. AND DEBBIE, I JUST PERSONALLY WANT TO THANK YOU THAT YOU TOOK THE DISAPPOINTMENT OF THE RECOMMENDATIONS NOT BEING INCLUDED IN THE MASTER PLAN AND INSTEAD OF RETREATING, IT WAS FUEL FOR THE FIRE.

16:59:52 AND WE SAW THE FIRE TODAY. AND THERE ARE OTHERS WHO ARE JOINING. SO RUSSELL IN THE CHAT SAID WE NEED DACLAC TO ELEVATE THE ISSUE OF TRANSPORTATION. PATTY SAID THIS IS NOT A PRESENTATION, THIS IS A CALL TO ACTION. RICHARD TALKED ABOUT SOLUTIONS.

17:00:17 AND I JUST WANT TO THANK YOU. I CALLED YOU A DACLAC MEMBER. YOU ARE AN HONORARY DACLAC MEMBER. YOU ARE A LEADER. AND JOHN, ERIC, AND OTHERS ON THIS CALL, YOU KNOW, I WOULD INVITE YOU, MORE THAN AN INVITATION, AN URGE YOU TO STICK TOGETHER AND BRING BACK SOME VERY CONCRETE RECOMMENDATIONS.

17:00:46 IT MAY BE WHAT YOU JUST SAID, DEBBIE, FORMULA OR A PERCENTAGE OR A LENS THAT IT'S APPLIED ACROSS THE BOARD OR IT MIGHT BE ONE, TWO OR THREE VERY SPECIFIC CONCRETE SOLUTIONS THAT WE CAN SHARE AND CIRCULATE, KNOWING THAT THERE IS NEW FUNDING AND MUCH OF IT IS LIMITED. THERE IS A SENSE OF URGENCY.

17:01:08 I HEARD JOHN'S FRUSTRATION OF REPORTS FROM PRIOR YEARS SO LET'S DO OUR VERY BEST AS A STAKEHOLDER COMMUNITY TO COME BACK WITH A FEW THINGS THAT CAN BE WIDELY CIRCULATED AND CAN BE CONSIDERED FOR THIS FUNDING, FOR THE STATE SURPLUS AND FOR THE FUNDING FROM THE INFRASTRUCTURE ACT AND OTHER CHANNELS.

17:01:34 SO THANK YOU FOR STICKING WITH IT ON THIS TOPIC. THIS IS NOT AN EASY TOPIC. BUT IT CLEARLY BENEFITS MANY, MANY PEOPLE IF WE COULD GET IT RIGHT. SO THANK YOU. THANKS TO EVERYBODY TO THE HOUSING GROUP THAT'S BEEN WORKING. IT'S CLEAR THAT HOUSING AND TRANSPORTATION ARE OUR TWO WORKGROUPS, INITIALLY, AND THERE MAY BE OTHERS.