

ADVISORY COUNCIL MEETING
Tuesday, February 10, 2026, at 1:30 p.m.
Fresno-Madera Area Agency on Aging
1625 E. Shaw Ave. Suite #123, Fresno, CA. 93710
Gate Code: 2489

Agenda packet material is available via U.S. mail upon request.

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AGENDA

I.	CALL TO ORDER: Michael Bishop, Chair	
II.	WELCOME AND INTRODUCTIONS	
	A. Guest Introductions (Voluntary)	<i>Information</i>
III.	PUBLIC COMMENTS: Any member of the public may address the Advisory Council during any Advisory Council meeting at the appointed time shown on the agenda, on any topic within the jurisdiction of the Advisory Council. Individual presentations or topics shall be limited to five (5) minutes , except under special circumstances, as determined and announced by the Advisory Council Chair. Pursuant to the provisions of the Brown Act amendments, the Advisory Council will not take any action on presentations or topics until properly listed on a subsequent meeting agenda, except in case of an emergency.	
IV.	APPROVAL OF MINUTES: January 13, 2026, Advisory Council Meeting. First: _____ Second: _____ Pass: _____ Fail: _____	<i>Action</i>
V.	OLD BUSINESS	<i>Information</i>
	A. January 15, 2026 – Miles R. attended the Veteran Benefits Briefing & Resource Fair at Glen Agnes. This event was canceled last minute but Miles R. delivered FMAAA & Senior Resources.	
	B. January 20, 2026 – Hillaree B. and Miles R. presented to the Poverello House’s social workers on FMAA services.	
	C. January 20, 2026 – Miles R. presented to Community Medical Center’s Stroke Support Group	
	D. February 4, 2026 – Miles R. attended the Local Advocates for Seniors monthly meeting	
VI.	NEW BUSINESS	<i>Information</i>
	A. February 9, 2026 – Hillaree B. and Sarah C. presented to Fresno State social work students	
	B. February 26, 2026 – Miles R. to present at Fresno American Indian Health Project’s WISE Elders Group	
	C. February 27, 2026 - Miles R. to present to the East Fresno Kiwanis Club	
	D. March 5, 2026 – Miles R. to present to the Self Reliance Group	
	E. March 12, 2026 – FMAAA staff to attend the Fresno State Social Work Resource Fair	

	F.	March 12, 2026 – FMAAA staff to attend and provide resources at the Kaiser Permanente Fresno Geriatric Symposium	
VII.	REPORTS – Please keep all reports to 5 minutes or less. Thank you.		
	A.	Advisory Council Chair Report	
	1.	Advisory Council Membership Status: City of Fresno – Two Vacancies Fresno County – Two Vacancies Madera County – Six Vacancies	<i>Information</i>
	2.	Brief Announcements of Upcoming Events for Older Adults: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Monthly Caregiver Seminars at The Peoples Church 	<i>Information</i>
	B.	Committee Updates	
	1.	Food and Resource Insecurity Report:	<i>Information & Discussion</i>
	2.	Housing Insecurity Report:	<i>Information & Discussion</i>
	C.	Agency on Aging Governing Board Meeting Report: <i>(FMAAA Staff)</i>	<i>Information</i>
	D.	California Senior Legislature (CSL) Report: <i>(CSL Senior Assembly Member Minerva Garcia)</i> - 2026 California Senior Legislature Election Information <i>(Miles R.)</i>	<i>Information</i>
	E.	Triple-A Council of California (TACC) report: <i>(Assigned member-Tonya Frost)</i>	<i>Information</i>
VIII.	FRESNO-MADERA AREA AGENCY ON AGING ADMINISTRATIVE UPDATES <ul style="list-style-type: none"> We are working to open Parlier as a congregate site. Our Home Delivered Meals program is in the process of hiring a new full-time Eligibility Worker. Executive Director Jamie S., Program Director Hillaree B., and Clinical Manager Sarah C. have completed the required training for FMAAA to provide the Enhanced Care Management (ECM) program through CalAIM. ECM is a statewide Medi-Cal benefit designed to support eligible individuals enrolled in the Anthem Managed Care Plan who are experiencing complex medical or social needs. FMAAA has expanded its office space into the adjacent suite to accommodate the new EECM program and support future growth. 		<i>Information</i>
IX.	Adjournment: First: _____ Second: _____ Pass: _____ Fail: _____ Time: _____		<i>Action</i>

Next Meetings:

Advisory Council

Tuesday, March 10, 2025, 1:30 p.m.

Governing Board

WEDNESDAY, February 11, 2025, 1:00 p.m.

Fig Garden Regional Library

3071 W Bullard Ave,

Fresno, CA 93711

**Fresno-Madera Area Agency on Aging
ADVISORY COUNCIL
Meeting Minutes of January 13, 2026
Fresno-Madera Area Agency on Aging
1625 E. Shaw Ave. Suite #106 Fresno, 93710**

- I. **Call to Order:**
 - a. The meeting was called to order by Second Vice Chair, Tonya Frost at 1:38 PM. A quorum was established.
 - b. **Advisory Council Members Present:** Tish Davis, Stafanie Diaz, Minerva Garcia, Jan Clagg, Tonya Frost, and Angela Stillwell.
 - c. **Advisory Council Members Not Present:** Michael Mendez Jr., Anne Bishop, Michael Bishop, and Joel Gurss.
 - d. **FMAAA Staff Present:** Miles Robinson
 - e. **Guests Present:** Charmaine Barton (Senior Helpers)

- II. **Welcome and Introductions:**
 - a. Second Vice Chair, Tonya Frost welcomed all in attendance and all members, and guests shared their name, title, and organization represented.

- III. **Public Comment:** No Report

- IV. **Approval of Minutes:** Second Vice Chair, Tonya Frost asked for a motion to approve the **December 9, 2025**, Advisory Council meeting minutes. The motion was made by Tish Davis and seconded by Stafanie Diaz. The motion carried. One member abstained from voting.

- V. **Old Business:**
 - a. Miles R. informed the membership that FMAAA was closed from December 24, 2025 through January 2, 2026. Since January 2 fell on a Friday, staff returned to the office on January 5, 2026.

- VI. **New Business:**
 - a. Miles R. reported that he will be attending the Veteran Benefits Briefing & Resource Fair at Glen Agnes on January 15, 2026. Tonya Frost provided additional details on the event and that future similar events will take place at senior centers.
 - b. Miles R. reported that he will present to Clovis Community Medical Center's Stroke Support Group on January 20, 2026.
 - c. Miles R. reported that he is scheduled to present at the East Fresno Kiwanis Club's meeting on February 27, 2026.
 - d. On March 12, 2026, FMAAA staff will attend the Fresno State Social Work Resource Fair and provide resources.

- VII. **Reports:**

- a. **Advisory Council Chair Report:**
 - i. This report was made by Second Vice Chair, Tonya Frost.
 - ii. **Advisory Council Membership Status:**
 - 1. Current Vacancies: 2 Fresno County, 6 Madera County, and 1 City of Fresno.
 - 2. The Advisory Council has significant vacancies. Efforts to recruit from Madera have been challenging despite offering mileage reimbursement.
 - 3. **Membership Criteria:** 50% of the Advisory Council members must be aged 60 and older. Joint Powers of Authority (JPA) representation needed from each service area (City of Fresno, City of Madera County, and Fresno County).
 - iii. **Brief Announcements of Upcoming Events**
 - 1. Tish Davis reported that the Caregiver Conference is tentatively scheduled for March 7, 2026 at the Peoples Church but will follow up with more information.
 - 2. Tonya Frost reported that the Female Veterans Stand Up is scheduled for February 16th.
- b. **Committee Updates and Reports:**
 - i. **Food and Resource Insecurity Report:**
 - 1. Committee Chair, Angela Stillwell reported that her committee had no new report at this time.
 - ii. **Housing Insecurity Committee Report:**
 - 1. Stefanie Diaz reported that the committee did not have a report at this time. Miles R. reminded the group that each committee should meet at least once per quarter. The group then discussed housing resources, and Minerva Garcia emphasized the importance of building professional relationships with individuals who manage senior living facilities in order to develop contacts for senior placement purposes.
- c. **Governing Board Meeting:**
 - i. Miles R. reported that the next Governing Board meeting was scheduled for Wednesday, January 14th, 2026, but may be canceled. Miles R. will update the group if that is the case.
- d. **California Senior Legislative Report:**
 - i. Minerva Garcia reported that three of the ten proposals had been selected to be carried by legislators: AP2 (Senior Child Tax Credit), SP2 (Older Adult Education, and AP4 (Automatic External Defibrillation).
 - ii. The Ca Senior Legislator program is entering a new four-year cycle for CSL representatives. Stefanie Diaz and Jan Clagg have volunteered as temporary senators pending official CSL approval. A discussion was had

about the election and the potential need for public announcements and/or postings. Miles R. has begun looking into the election requirements and will provide more information at a latter meeting.

e. **Triple-A Council of California (TACC) Report:**

- i. Tonya Frost had nothing to report at the time of the meeting.

VIII. **Fresno-Madera Area Agency on Aging Administrative Update:**

- a. Miles R. gave the following updates:

- i. FMAAA is working to open Parlier and Del Rey as congregate nutrition sites.
- ii. FMAAA is hiring two new employees, a Home Delivered Meals Eligibility Worker and a Finance Manager.

Miles R. shared the following update from Clinical Manager Sarah C.

“I am pleased to share that our agency was recently approved to provide Enhanced Care Management (ECM) through CalAIM. ECM is a statewide Medi-Cal benefit designed to support eligible individuals enrolled in the Anthem managed care plan who are experiencing complex medical or social needs. Through this program, our team will deliver comprehensive care management services to high-risk individuals. This includes ongoing support, health education, and coordination of medical, behavioral health, and social services. Our goal is to help participants navigate their care more effectively, improve health outcomes, and enhance overall quality of life. We look forward to implementing this new benefit and strengthening the support we provide to our community.”

- iii. Angela Stillwell asked a question regarding the Request for Proposal (RFP) process and the requirement for a letter of support. Guest Charmaine Barton asked what RFPs are, and Miles R. explained that RFPs are required for grants of \$100,000 or more. Miles R. further explained that FMAAA supports local organizations, such as Valley Caregiver Resource Center and Central California Legal Services, through grant funding and that RFPs are part of that process.

- IX. **Adjournment:** The meeting was adjourned at 2:32 pm. The motion was made by Stafanie Diaz and seconded by Minerva Garcia. The motion carried.

Respectfully Submitted,

Miles Robinson

Miles Robinson
Administrative Manager
Fresno-Madera Area Agency on Aging



Fresno-Madera Area Agency on Aging Advisory Council
Fiscal Year 2025-2026 Regular Meeting Schedule

Meeting Date and Time

September 09, 2025 @ 1:30pm

October 14, 2025 @ 1:30pm

November 18, 2025 @ 1:30pm

December 09, 2025 @ 1:30pm

January 13, 2026 @ 1:30pm

February 10, 2026 @ 1:30pm

March 10, 2026 @ 1:30pm

April 14, 2026 @ 1:30pm

May 12, 2026 @ 1:30pm

June 09, 2026 @ 1:30pm

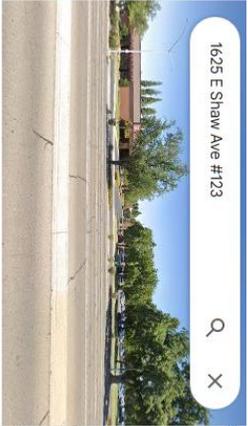
July - No Meeting Scheduled

August - No Meeting Scheduled

Meetings to be held at University Office Center 1625 E. Shaw Ave. Suite #123,
Fresno, CA 93710 unless otherwise notified prior to the meeting.

FMAAA Committee Rosters

Food & Resource Insecurity	Housing Insecurity
Jan Clagg	Mike Bishop
Angie Stillwell	Michael Mendez Jr.
Tish Davis	Tonya Frost
	Minerva Garcia
	Stefanie Diaz
	Tish Davis
	Anne Bishop

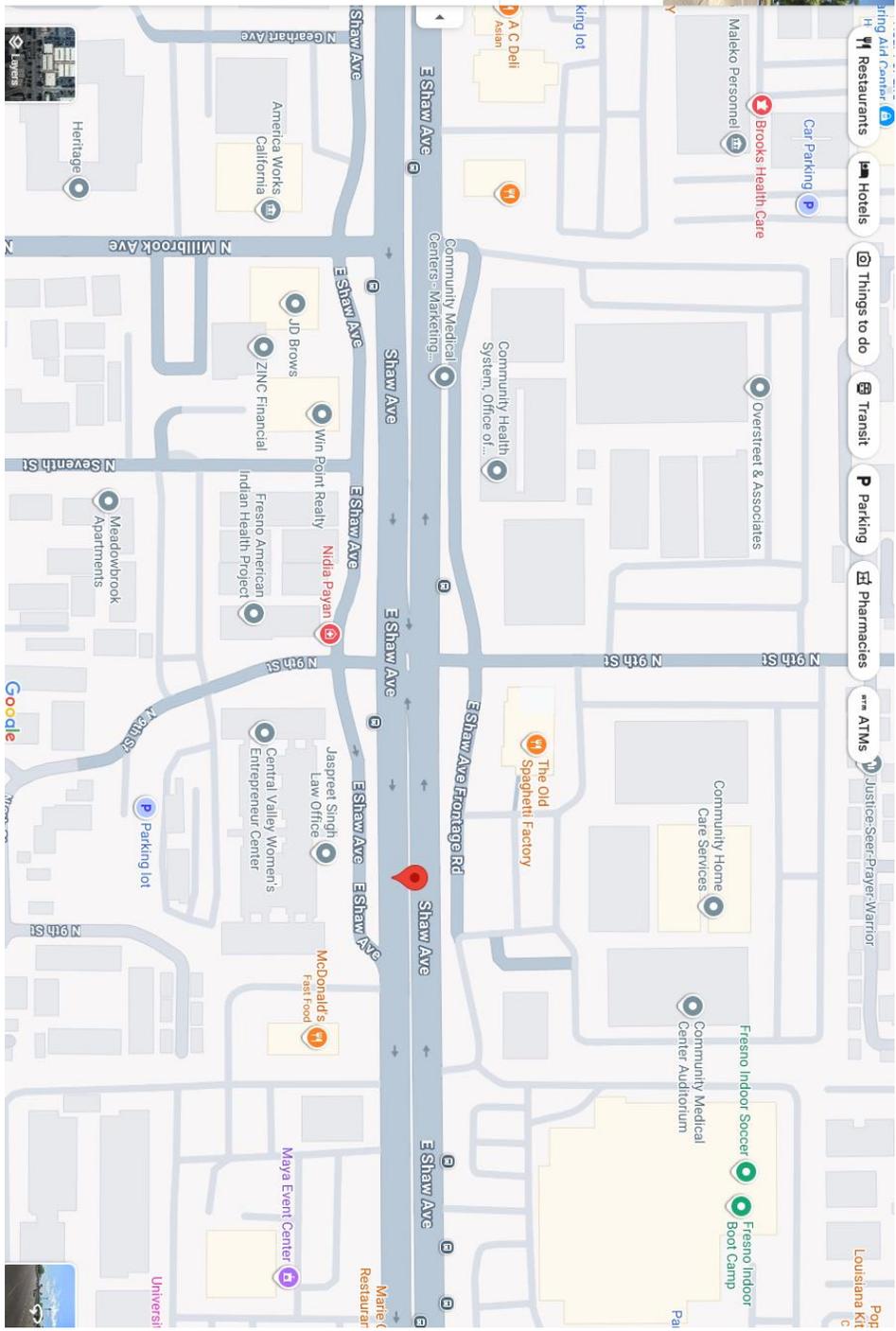


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Shredding Event
FOR SENIORS AND CAREGIVERS

FREE EVENT

Valley Caregiver Resource Center
and Senior Medicare Patrol want to
protect you and your loved ones from
Medicare fraud and identity theft.

Saturday, March 14
10 a.m. - 12 p.m.

Bring documents with any personal identifiable
information such as old bank statements, bills, old tax
returns and outdated Medicare documents for shredding.

Valley Caregiver Resource Center
Parking Lot
5363 N. Fresno St. Fresno, CA 93710
(Southwest corner of Fresno/Barstow)

We ask all participants to remain in their vehicles.
A mobile shredding company will shred documents on-site.
No cardboard, binder clips or electronic media.
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Featuring Keynote Speaker
State Senator, Shannon Grove

10th Annual Central Valley Women's Stand Up

Monday, February 17, 2025

8:00AM to 2:00PM

Pardini's - 2257 W Shaw Ave., Fresno, CA 93711



FREE EVENT

Transportation, Breakfast & Lunch Provided

For Information Contact

Deb (559) 281-0784 or Annette (916) 539-2431

Please Register at www.CentralValleyVeterans.org

Celebrating the Caregiver: Steps Towards Support

“Caring for others can be rewarding... and exhausting. You don't have to do it alone. This supportive gathering is designed to help caregivers feel heard, encouraged, and connected.”

Valley Caregiver Resource Center will share practical steps to help you find the support you need while caring for your loved ones.



Tuesday March 10, 2026; 10-11:30 am
Peoples Church, 7172 N Cedar Fresno, CA 93720
RSVP by 3/5/26 to Tish Davis (559) 436-4782 or
tdavis@auspicehomecare.com.

RSVP:
by 3/5/26
RSVP to Tish
Space is limited.

Compassionate Whole Person Care: Embracing Palliative and Hospice Support

April 22, 2026

Fresno State Peter's Auditorium

8:00 am - 3:30 pm



Dr. Patrick Macmillan
Hospice & Palliative Medicine

This conference brings together healthcare professionals, educators, and students to explore contemporary issues and innovations in hospice and palliative care. Through keynote presentations, interactive workshops, and experiential learning, participants will deepen their understanding of compassionate, culturally responsive, and evidence-based approaches to serious illness care.

- ✔ Identify current trends, challenges, and innovations in hospice and palliative care practice and policy.
- ✔ Apply compassionate, culturally responsive, and family-centered approaches to communication and decision-making in serious illness and hospice care.
- ✔ Integrate ethical, legal, and practical tools into patient care.
- ✔ Explore emerging educational and experiential learning to enhance empathy and inter-professional collaboration.

State of Palliative and Hospice Care

Keynote by Dr. Patrick Macmillan

Cultural, Social-Emotional and Family Considerations for Children in Palliative Care

Panel Discussion with Interdisciplinary Experts

Workshops

- End-of-Life Embodied Labs - Virtual Reality
- POLST and Advanced Directives
- MAID
- Creating a Death Binder
- Careers in Hospice and Palliative Care

What Gives Your Life Meaning?

- Before I Die Wall
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- Sweets to Remember
- Caregiving and Grief Resources

Seating limited. Register now.

- General Registration + 4 CEUs (LCSWs Only): \$40
- General Registration (No CEUs): \$25
- Fresno State Students: \$15

Includes breakfast and lunch



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All individuals, regardless of race, sex, color, ethnicity or national origin, who are interested in this conference are welcome.

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Dedicated to preserving and enhancing the quality of life for older Californians and their families.

CSL Elections

- ✓ Are you 55 or older?
- ✓ Involved and aware of senior issues in your local area?
- ✓ Driven to make a difference in the lives of aging Californians?
- ✓ Willing to volunteer?
- ✓ Interested in representing your local community at the State Level?



If you answered **Yes**, visit the California Senior Legislature website at www.4csl.org or call the Fresno-Madera Area Agency on Aging (FMAAA) for a CSL election packet to learn more. Election packets are due to FMAAA no later than **March 31, 2026**.



Phone: (559) 214-0299 | **Toll-Free:** (800) 510-2020
Email: admin@fmaaa.org | **Web:** www.fmaaa.org
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PART VIII - ELECTIONS SECTION

CSL ELECTION RULES AND PROCEDURES

The following rules and procedures are designed to provide for the application and election process for prospective candidates for the California Senior Legislature (CSL). The Area Agencies on Aging (AAA) will assist CSL in the election process by publicizing CSL vacancies and conducting the election of applicants to the CSL.

I. ELIGIBILITY

A. Voter

Members of the AAA Advisory Council for each PSA.

B. Candidate

Criteria for eligibility as a candidate for Senior Senator or Assemblymember are identified below:

- 55 years of age or older on election day of CSL member(s).
- Registered voter.
- Resides in the Planning and Service Area (PSA) for which the election is held.

In addition there are criteria for successful performance of the duties of a Senior Senator or Assemblymember that involve mobility, experience and technology that are identified in Appendix A.

Finally, candidates will be required to identify their respective district's State Senator, State Assemblymember, and Congressional Representative.

II. APPLICATION PROCESS

The process to apply as a candidate for a CSL vacancy is as follows:

- A. If the planning and service area has designed subdivisions or districts, candidates shall file only in the district in which they reside.
- B. Candidates should go to the CSL website (4CSL.org) to obtain the application package. The completed application package must be submitted to the local AAA by March 31st. The package includes:
 1. New Candidates
 - a. Application of Candidacy;
 - b. Resume that includes city, county and state experience on senior issues;
 - c. Nomination Petition requiring signatures of 25 adults 55 years and older;
 - d. Statement of Commitment requiring candidate's signature; and
 - e. CSL Code of Ethics requiring candidate's signature and date;
 - f. Volunteer Agreement and Waiver of Liability requiring candidate's signature and date.

2. Incumbents

- a. Application of Candidacy;
- b. Resume that includes city, county and state experience on senior issues;
- c. Statement of Commitment requiring candidate's signature; and
- d. CSL Code of Ethics requiring candidate's signature and date;
- e. Volunteer Agreement and Waiver of Liability requiring candidate's signature and date.

III. ELECTION DATE

Election of members to the CSL will be held every four years from May 1st to June 25th. Election results must be in to the CSL Office by 5pm on June 30th.

IV. TERM OF OFFICE

Members to the CSL will be elected every four (4) years. Newly elected members will serve as Members Elect until the Annual Session (Oct-Nov).

V. PUBLICITY

- A. The CSL will provide a flyer announcing the election process. The flyer will direct candidates to the CSL website for information on the application and election process.
 1. Current CSL members would be emailed a copy of the flyer.
 2. Each AAA would post the flyer to their website and bulletin board.
 3. Senior Centers would be emailed by CSL through the appropriate AAA and asked to post the flyer and/or place the flyer in their newsletter.
 4. Each State Assembly and Senator's District Office would be requested to post the flyer as well as place the flyer in their newsletter.
- B. A candidates list for all PSAs will be made available for review on the CSL webpage no later than 10 days prior to the election date identified by each AAA.

VI. LEAD AGENCY

The AAA is responsible for seeing that the CSL election is undertaken within its Planning and Service Area according to these election rules and procedures.

VII. ELECTION PROCEDURES

Eligible AAA (see I.A.) Council members will be the electing body of CSL Members. See Appendix B for further guidelines.

VIII. ELECTION RESULTS

- A. AAA will share the election results with the Advisory Council

- B. The AAA will notify the CSL office in writing of the election results within seven (7) calendar days following the election but no later than June 30th.
- C. A plurality of one (1) vote constitutes a winner. Should there be a tie, the winner will be determined by a flip of a coin with both candidates in attendance.

IX. CONTESTED ELECTIONS

- A. Any candidate contesting the election results must file a written complaint with the CSL JRC within five (5) working days following the announcement of the election results.
- B. A copy of the challenger's written complaint will be sent by the CSL JRC to the AAA Director within five (5) working days of receipt of such complaint.
- C. The Area Agency Director will respond to CSL JRC in writing within ten (10) after receipt of the written complaint.
- D. Final resolution will be made by majority vote of the CSL JRC.
- E. Candidate agrees that the final decision made by the CSL JRC is final and binding.

X. LATE SUBMISSION OF ELECTION RESULTS

If election results from the PSA's have not been received in the CSL office by July 15th the Chair JRC will send a letter to the AAA requesting the election results.

XI. VACANCIES

- A. When a vacancy is created during the term by a senior legislator by:
 - 1. Moving out of the planning and service area or district in which he or she was elected to serve, or
 - 2. Through death, resignation, recall, or an invalid election
- B. The AAA Advisory Council will notify the CSL JRC that it is pursuing one of the methods below:
 - 1. Senior Senator Vacancy
 - a. Leave Vacant
Leave the seat vacant until the next election if less than six (6) months remains prior to the election for a new term.
 - b. One Applicant
Appoint a Senior Assemblymember to the vacant position of Senior Senator after receiving approval from the CSL JRC.
 - c. Multiple Applicants
Conduct an election to fill the vacancy following procedures outlined in Appendix B.
 - 2. Senior Assemblymember Vacancy
 - a. Leave Vacant

Leave the seat vacant until the next election if less than one (1) year remains prior to the election for a new term.

b. One Applicant

Appoint an applicant to the vacant position of Senior Assemblymember after receiving approval from the CSL JRC.

c. Multiple Applicants

Conduct an election to fill the vacancy following procedures outlined in Appendix B.

LIST OF APENDICES

APPENDIX - A ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA and CRITERIA for SUCCESSFUL PERFORMANCE

APPENDIX - B PROCEDURES for CONDUCTING CSL ELECTION

APPENDIX - A

ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA and CRITERIA for SUCCESSFUL PERFORMANCE for CANDIDATES for SENIOR SENATOR and SENIOR ASSEMBLYMEMBER

1. Age and other requirements:

- 55 years of age or older on election day of CSL member(s).
- Registered voter.
- Resides in the Planning and Service Area (PSA) for which the election is held.

2. Technology

- Candidates must have access to a functioning computer as well as a functioning printer. Ideally, the printer would be an all in one printer, fax, copier and scanner.
- Candidates must have a personal email account and basic access to and knowledge of how to use email, transmit documents, and open MS Office and PDF documents.
- Candidates must be able to take top senior concerns/issues at the local level and draft them into a legislative proposal following a template.

3. Mobility

- Candidates will need to navigate the Capitol Building in Sacramento as well as their local community.
- It is anticipated that most business will be conducted within the normal business day. Therefore, candidates can be called upon to commute to and from the Capitol Building in the same day.

4. Experience

- The ideal candidate will have a broad base of experience at the city and county levels on issues dealing with seniors. Candidates that do not have this experience must be willing to learn about city and county level issues impacting older adults.
- Candidate must be comfortable with public speaking and willing to promote the CSL organization in their PSA through public speaking engagements on issues dealing with seniors.

5. Elected Officials

Candidates will be required to identify their respective district's State Senator, State Assemblymember, and Congressional Representative. (See Statement of Commitment, Item 10)

APPENDIX - B

PROCEDURES for CONDUCTING CSL ELECTIONS

The rules for qualifying CSL candidates and conducting elections are as follows:

- I. **The AAA, or its designee, will be responsible** for implementing all the CSL election rules and procedures.
- II. **The AAA and CSL JRC shall solicit candidates** using the methods outlined in Part VIII, Section V.
- III. **The AAA will collect and forward to CSL by the suspense date identified in Section II. B** all application packages received for the CSL Senior Senator and Senior Assemblymember positions in their PSA.
- IV. **Upon receipt of application packages from the AAAs the CSL JRC Chair** will appoint a CSL Candidate Eligibility Committee that will verify their eligibility using guidelines outlined in Appendix A.
- V. **The CSL JRC Chair will subsequently provide a list of eligible candidates** to the AAA's who will then conduct elections by the date identified in **Part VIII, Section III**. A candidates list for all PSAs will be made available for review on the CSL webpage no later than 10 days prior to the election date identified by each AAA.
- VI. **A quorum of eligible AAA Advisory Council members** are required to be in attendance when CSL elections are conducted.
- VII. **All eligible AAA Advisory Council members** attending the meeting will be able to vote for her/his candidate of choice in accordance with the designated rules.
- VIII. **AAA Advisory Council members** eligible to vote for each candidate will do so by using the voting guidelines established by each county.
- IX. **A plurality of one (1) vote constitutes a winner**. Should there be a tie, the winner will be determined by a flip of a coin with both candidates in attendance.
- X. **When there is only one candidate for a seat Part VIII, Section XI, B should be followed**.
- XI. **All candidates must be present to win**.
- XII. **AAA will record** the results of the election process.



APPLICATION FOR CSL CANDIDACY

PSA _____ Incumbent ___ New Candidate ___

Name of Candidate: _____

Address: _____

City & Zip: _____

Telephone(s) (Home) _____ (CP) _____

Email: _____

My State Senator is: _____ District # _____

My State Assembly member is: _____ District # _____

My Congressional Representative is: _____ District # _____

For the Office of _____ I certify that
 (Senior Senator/Senior Assemblymember)

- I am 55 years of age on election day.
- I am a registered voter.
- I reside in the Planning and Service Area (PSA) for which the election is held.
- I own a functioning computer and a printer.
- I have the ability to scan and email documents, as needed.
- I have a personal email account and basic access to and knowledge of how to use email, transmit documents, open MSOffice and PDF documents, utilize electronic drop boxes, complete Google Forms and participate in virtual meetings utilizing Zoom.
- I possess the ability to take top senior concerns/issues at local level and draft them into a legislative proposal following a template.

I agree that all decisions regarding my candidacy, election and/or recall are the responsibility of the CSL JRC and are final and binding.

Signature _____ Date Signed _____

Attach the following documents to this application:

- Resume outlining broad base of experience at the city and county levels on issues dealing with seniors
- Signed Code of Ethics
- Signed Volunteer Agreement and Waiver
- Signed Statement of Commitment

CALIFORNIA SENIOR LEGISLATURE

CODE OF ETHICS

Recognizing that the needs of the over 60 age groups are in the interests of all people, the California Legislature in 1980 created the California Senior Legislature to propose legislation to meet the needs and concerns of Older Californians.

Members of the Senior Legislature elected by their peers are cognizant of their obligation to discharge the responsibility given to them by the State Legislature, and vow to follow the path of high moral conduct and service implicit in the following code:

1. I realize that I am subject to a code of ethics
2. I accept the plural ethnicity of California Senior Legislature members, their cultural and educational variations. I will value the commitment of each as much as I do my own, and show respect to each.
3. I will show respect to the members of the State Legislature and their staff people.
4. I will work faithfully to accomplish the objectives of the California Senior Legislature.
5. I will work with the Area Agency on Aging and/or Legislative Council and other seniors in my community to develop proposals for legislation addressing their concerns.
6. I will strive to maintain the dignity of the Senior Legislature in all my speaking engagements and written articles.
7. I will be responsible for informing the public as widely as possible concerning the CSL in a positive manner.
8. I recognize and accept the administrative policies, responsibilities, and procedural concepts of the California Senior Legislature as they are enunciated in the CSL Procedures Manual and Bylaws, including the use and design of CSL business cards and stationery.
9. I promise to bring to my work with the California Senior Legislature an attitude of open-mindedness; to be willing to be trained for it; to bring to it interest and attention; and to work in support of CSL programs and priorities.
10. I will attend the annual session of the California Senior Legislature unless excused because of illness or death of a family member or other legitimate reasons.

11. I promise to conduct my campaign for office as either a Senior Senator or Senior Assemblyperson in an ethical, above-board and honest manner, in both my oral and printed campaign statements. And in no way will I mislead or deceive potential voters while campaigning. I will abide by the final election results and decision of the CSL JRC.
12. I promise not to use my office as a CSL member in any manner that reflects negatively on the high moral standards of the CSL, or negatively on any CSL member.
13. I accept and promise to comply with the STATEMENT OF COMMITMENT.

I have read and accept the code of ethics and intend to follow the code to the best of my ability.

Print Your Name: _____ Date: _____

Signature: _____

CALIFORNIA SENIOR LEGISLATURE

VOLUNTEER AGREEMENT AND WAIVER OF LIABILITY

In consideration of my desire to serve as a volunteer for the California Senior Legislature (CSL), I hereby agree to the following terms:

- I fully understand the nature of the volunteer activities that I will be performing on behalf of CSL and hereby confirm that I am qualified, in good health, and in proper physical condition to participate in such activities.
- I currently have no known mental or physical condition that would impair my capability for full participation as intended or expected of me.
- I hereby assume all responsibility for any and all risk of property damage or bodily injury that I may sustain while participating in any voluntary capacity including the use of equipment and facilities in connection with CSL volunteer duties.
- I acknowledge and agree that CSL, its directors and officers, its volunteers or any of its representatives, are not liable to me for any injuries, damages, liabilities, losses, judgments, costs or expenses which I might suffer or sustain in connection to the performance of my volunteer activities for CSL.
- Further, I, for myself and my heir, executors, administrators and assigns, hereby release, waive and discharge CSL and its officers, directors, employees, agents and volunteers of and from any and all claims which I or my heirs, administrators and assigns ever may have against any of the above for, on account of, by reason of or arising in connection with such volunteer activity or my participation therein, and hereby waive all such claims, demands and causes of action. I will indemnify, defend and hold CSL harmless from and against any claims, lawsuits, injuries, damages, losses, costs or expenses sustained by any person in connection with my participation in CSL activities and elections.
- If I suspend volunteer activities, or upon request, I will promptly return all CSL supplies, equipment, records, moneys and other items in good, clean, serviceable condition.. This Agreement is binding upon CSL, CSL representatives, me and my respective heirs, successors, assigns, executors and personal representatives.
- I hereby grant and convey to CSL all right, title and interest in any and all photographic images in which I appear including video or audio recordings, made by CSL or others on CSL's behalf during my volunteer work for CSL, including, but not limited to, any royalties, proceeds, or other benefits derived from such photographs or recordings. I expressly agree that this Waiver is intended to be as broad and inclusive as permitted by the laws of the State of California, and that this Waiver shall be governed by and interpreted in accordance with the laws of the State of California. I agree that in the event that any clause or provision of this Waiver shall be held to be invalid by any court of competent jurisdiction, the invalidity of such clause or provision shall not otherwise affect the remaining provisions of this Release which shall continue to be enforceable.

Further, I have carefully read the foregoing Agreement and Waiver and understand the contents thereof and sign this release as my own, free act. I agree to abide by every term specified above and will not dispute or challenge them in any way form or fashion.

Signed on this ____ day of _____, 20____

Printed Name of CSL Volunteer

Signature of CSL Volunteer

CALIFORNIA SENIOR LEGISLATURE

STATEMENT OF COMMITMENT

Responsibilities of Members of the California Senior Legislature

(Note: This is to be signed by the candidate and attached to her or his application.)

As a member of the CSL I:

1. Shall be non-partisan.
2. Shall represent the best interests of state-wide California Older Adults.
3. Shall express the major concerns of California Older Adults.
4. Shall speak for the CSL on CSL-approved issues only. Otherwise, shall identify myself as a CSL member expressing own personal views.
5. Shall use only CSL - authorized cards and stationery.
6. Shall identify myself as "Senior Senator" or "Senior Assemblymember" or "Senior Assemblywoman" or "Senior Assemblyman." If given "Emeritus" status one should identify themselves as either "Senior Senator – Emeritus" or "Senior Assemblymember/woman/man – Emeritus".
7. Shall accept the responsibility for submitting at least one proposal every two years.
8. Shall accept the responsibility for attending and participating in all meetings of the Annual Session, except when an extreme emergency arises.
9. Shall develop working relationships in my PSA (Planning and Service Area) with the Area Agency on Aging, the Advisory Council or Commission on Aging and other senior groups and caucuses; and shall routinely attend their meetings and report on CSL activities.
10. Shall develop working relationships with my State and National Legislators and their staffs, particularly with my Legislators' District's staffs.
11. Shall develop and maintain a local legislative advocacy program, keeping up a two-way communication with my constituents.
12. Shall activate letter and phone campaigns to support CSL priority proposals.
13. Shall respond to calls (Alerts) from the Joint Rules Committee (JRC) to write letters, make phone calls, and visit my State Legislators and their District offices on behalf of CSL priority issues.
14. Shall develop and carry out local public relations and publicity for goals established by the CSL.
15. Shall study the Annual Schedule of Suggested Activities and follow this schedule whenever its items are applicable to my local situation.

16. Shall maintain a professional working relationship with all members of CSL as well as with the Area Agency on Aging and the Advisory Council or Commission on Aging.
17. Shall endeavor to raise funds throughout the year in order to meet the funding needs of CSL for travel and reimbursement of expenses of the Annual General Session and for meetings..
18. Shall promote CSL fund-raising activities on a local and statewide level.

As a member of CSL I acknowledge that:

19. Failure to submit at least one original proposal in any one of two consecutive years constitutes failure to live up to this commitment.
20. **Failure to live up** to the STATEMENT OF COMMITMENT and the CODE OF ETHICS is grounds for review, reprimand and possible removal from office by JRC Executive Committee action.
21. All decisions regarding my candidacy, election and/or recall are the responsibility of the CSL JRC and are final and binding.
22. There is no salary connected with this position and that lodging, meals and transportation costs will be furnished for the Annual Session, provided funds are available.
23. Lodging, meals and transportation costs may be furnished for Legislator visits ("Walk the Halls") during the course of the year provided funds are available.
24. Expenses for postage, copying, printing and telephone usage during the year are my responsibility. Transportation costs not referenced above are my responsibility as well.

To Be Signed by the Candidate:

I have read and accept responsibilities noted above and intend to follow these responsibilities to the best of my ability.

Print or Type Your Name: _____ Date: _____

Signature: _____