



# Santa Cruz County Seniors Commission

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## Notice of Public Meeting and Agenda

**DATE** Tuesday, June 17, 2025  
**TIME:** 12:30 PM – 2:30 PM  
**LOCATION:** United Way of Santa Cruz County  
4450 Capitola Road, Ste 106, Capitola, CA 95010

*\*\*As a courtesy to those who are affected, kindly attend the meeting **scent-free** and **smoke-free**.\*\**

### AGENDA

1. Call to Order/Roll Call/Agenda Review
2. Approval of *April 15, 2025 Meeting Minutes*
3. Public Comment  
*Any member of the public may address the Commission for a period not to exceed 3 minutes on any issue within the jurisdiction of the Commission not on the agenda.*
4. New and Continuing Business/Action Items:
  - 4.1. Senior Resource Fair Report
  - 4.2. Assisted Living Waiver Program Implementation Update
5. District Reports
  - 5.1. District 1
  - 5.2. District 2
  - 5.3. District 3
  - 5.4. District 4
  - 5.5. District 5
6. Senior Legislature Report
7. Staff Report
8. Correspondence
9. Emerging Matters and Commissioner Announcements
10. Adjournment

**Next Regular Meeting: August 19, 2025 at 12:30 PM United Way, Capitola CA 95010**

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## Meeting Minutes

DATE: Tuesday, February 18, 2025  
TIME: 12:30 PM  
LOCATION: United Way, 4450 Capitola Road, Ste 106, Capitola CA 95010  
PRESENT: Suzanne Doty (*Chair - 1<sup>st</sup> District*), Dena Taylor (*1<sup>st</sup> District*), Mark Johannessen (*2<sup>nd</sup> District*), Lois Sones (*3<sup>rd</sup> District*), Katie Limas (*Vice Chair - 4<sup>th</sup> District*), Carol Childers (*5<sup>th</sup> District*)  
EXCUSED: Antonio Rivas (*2<sup>nd</sup> District*), Alicia Rodriguez (*3<sup>rd</sup> District*)  
ABSENT: None  
STAFF: Kaite McGrew (*Commissions Manager*)  
GUESTS: No members of the public were present.

1. Call to Order/Roll Call/Agenda Review

Meeting convened at 12:38 PM.

2. **Motion to Approve December 17, 2024 Meeting Minutes**

**Motion to approve minutes.**

Motion/Second: Taylor/Sones

**Motion passed unanimously.**

3. Public Comment: None

4. New Business/Action Items:

4.1. Ad Hoc Senior Resource Fair Outreach and Planning Subcommittee Report

Subcommittee has not yet convened. Taylor reported Mid-County Senior Center expressed enthusiasm. London Nelson Center has already scheduled one for February 28<sup>th</sup>. Felton Community Hall is holding an all-age resource fair. Commissioners Taylor and Doty will meet with Mid-County Senior Center to determine their interest and report back. Limas will meet with Watsonville Senior Center to determine their interest and report back. Commissioners will send the subcommittee their suggested vendors.

4.2. Ad Hoc Legislative Subcommittee Report

Johannesson summarized the five CSL legislative priorities that the subcommittee identified as being most relevant to the seniors community in Santa Cruz County. They included SP-4 Ralph M. Brown Act Teleconferencing, AP-10: Hospitals: Patient Discharge Summary, Ap-2: Caregiving Grandparents support, and AP-6 Health Facilities: Transfer of Patients: Requirements. If authorized, Staff will work with Johannessen to draft a letter to the Board of Supervisors advocating for their support of these legislative priorities and copy it to CSL.

**Motion authorizing Co-Chairs to send a letter advocating with the Board for their support**

Motion/Second: Johannessen/Sones

**Motion passed unanimously**

#### 4.3. Commission Strategic Action Planning for 2025

Commission made the following amendments to their 2024 Strategic Action Plan for 2025: specified collaborative resource fairs with County senior centers, revised 3A to include safety net services for all vulnerable seniors, added advocacy for Assisted Living Waiver to 3B, revised 3D to include monitoring implementation, revised 4A to pertain to monitoring the status of restoring the ombudsman program, added natural disasters to 4C, and added 4D to monitor the impact of new immigration law enforcement on undocumented Latinx seniors.

#### **Motion to approve and adopt the 2025 Strategic Action Plan.**

Motion/Second: Childers/Taylor

**Motion passed unanimously.**

#### 4. District Reports

##### 5.1. District 1:

Doty shared information on a recent 8-week balance class that is going to be at the Volunteer Center. She requested additional information on the cost of funding additional opportunities from the organizers. Doty attended a senior's line dancing event. Taylor had no report.

##### 5.2. District 2

Johannessen provided an AAA report: met on Jan 15<sup>th</sup>, Senior Network Services was evicted in February, though the Community Bridges lease was extended for two years. CORE funding for Advocacy, Inc. (the County's Ombudsman contractor) was eliminated this year, though CORE safety net services (health care, meals, etc.) are still being prioritized. California Dept of Aging (CDA) allocated one-time monies in support of the Santa Cruz and San Benito Counties' AAA.

##### 5.3. District 3: No Report

##### 5.4. District 4: No Report

##### 5.5. District 5:

Childers reported minimal damage from recent storms in the San Lorenzo Valley.

#### 6. Senior Legislature Report: No Report

#### 7. Staff Report:

Staff reported on the new payment system and will invite the District Attorney's Office to present on senior scams at an upcoming meeting.

#### 8. Correspondence: None

#### 9. Emerging Matters and Commissioner Announcements: None

#### 10. Adjournment: Meeting adjourned at 2:03 PM.

Respectfully submitted by: Kaite McGrew, *Commissions Manager*