

**AREA 12 AGENCY ON AGING ADVISORY COUNCIL  
MEETING NOTES**

**Monday, April 20, 2026, at 10:00 a.m.**

**Meeting Location:  
Calaveras County Library, 1299 Gold Hunter Rd, San Andreas, CA 95249  
(209) 754-6510**

**I. CALL TO ORDER**

Meeting called to order at 10:08 am by Rich Corvello Chair. Quorum is met.

**II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

**II. ROLL CALL & INTRODUCTIONS**

**Advisory Council Members**

Amador Co.

Chris Kalton (P)  
Barbara Long

Calaveras Co.

Andrew Schleder  
Rich Corvello  
Susan Tomasich  
Marian Coahran

Mariposa Co.

Lydia Arre (P)

Tuolumne Co.

Denise Simpson  
Dick Southern

**Excused/Unexcused Absences:**

Amador Co.

Calaveras Co.

Mariposa Co.

Don Fox

Tuolumne Co.

Barbara Farkas  
Cathie Peacock  
Leon Casas (P)

**Guests:**

Leo Marroquin, HICAP Program Manager

**A12AA Staff:**

Chris McCoy – Assistant Director, ADRC Program Manager

Joycelyn Preston – Executive Director

Doreen Schmidt – Deputy Director

Gabby Chipponeri – Planner/MIS Specialist

**IV. PUBLIC COMMENT** - The public may speak on any item not on the printed agenda. No action may be taken by the Advisory Council. The public will also be given the opportunity to comment before or during the Council's consideration of an item [§54954.3(a)].

**V. CONSENT AGENDA**

**A.** Consider approving the Minutes of the February 9, 2026, meeting.

Motion: It was moved by D. Southern and seconded by M. Coahran to approve the minutes of the February 9, 2026, meeting.

Motion Carried: 9 – 0

- VI. PRESENTATIONS:** Leo Marroquin, Program Manager of Health Insurance Counseling and Advocacy Program - HICAP  
HICAP, a program of A12AA, assists Medicare recipients with Medicare choices including Part D during open enrollment, Medigap coverage, Medicare/Medi-Cal recipients, Advantage plans, and fraud/scams relating to Medicare. Leo answered questions related to HICAP and where there are limitations in how HICAP can assist when it comes to Medi-Cal. Leo also shared outreach and volunteer opportunities for HICAP.
- VII. BUSINESS REQUIRING ACTION**
- A.** Consider approving the FY 2026-2027 Area Plan Update.  
Motion: It was moved by S. Tomasich and seconded by D. Simpson to approve FY 2026-2027 Area Plan Update.  
Motion Carried: 9 – 0
- B.** Consider approving Denise Simpson for CSL Senior Assemblymember.  
Motion: Moved by S. Tomasich and seconded by M. Coahran to approve Denise Simpson for CSL Senior Assemblymember  
Motion Carried: 9 – 0
- VIII. DISCUSSION ITEM**
- A.** Advisory Council Role and Description of Programs  
Joycie provided handouts of Advisory Council Role and Description of Programs to provide a better understanding and highlight the roles and responsibilities.
- B.** Committee breakout sessions.
- IX. STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS**
- A.** Legislative Committee – Marian Coahran  
Marian Coahran will be ending her term as CSL Senior Senator Representative in October. Denise Simpson will start her term during the same month as a CSL Senior Assemblymember. Marian provided Legislative Report on CSL Sponsored Bills/Top Priorities with their current status hyperlinks. She expressed wanting input on how the state can tackle fraud and scams for seniors.
- B.** Membership & Recruitment Committee – Rich Corvello  
Rich Corvello stated that he has been attending outreaches and handing out bags with information in order to recruit members. He has been enjoying getting to speak with people directly about the council and A12AA services.
- C.** Nutrition Committee – Vacant  
Chris Kalton discussed exploring the interest of starting a congregate site in Sutter Creek. Meals on Wheels of America has received a grant of \$70 million and will be working on a plan, hoping to see the money pushed towards providers. Amador is seeing a higher need for meals on wheels than Calaveras and will possibly move to a waitlist closer to May for Amador. Additionally, Amador is exploring the continuation of Senior Peer Visitor Program in Calaveras as the county lost its funding. They are looking for a volunteer driver for Valley Springs area.
- D.** Public Awareness Committee – Susan Tomasich  
Susan states that Calaveras Senior Provider Network is not getting enough attendees in order to continue monthly meetings. Susan is planning to instead do 2 community resource events for the public with vendors and speakers, and 4 seasonal meetings. She will provide further dates and information as they are currently tentative.

**X. OTHER REPORTS**

**A.** Joycelyn Preston, A12AA Executive Director

[See Attached, 4-20-26 Directors Report](#)

**B.** Marian Coahran, Senior Senator member, CSL

**C.** Rich Corvello, TACC, Executive Committee

[Meeting every 3 months via Zoom with current focus on the counties' Behavioral Health programs. Currently, Integrated Plans are being drafted and submitted for 2026-2029.](#)

[Meeting adjourned at 11:50AM.](#)

The next Advisory Council meeting is scheduled for Monday, June, 15, 2026.

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