



The Unified Voice for Older Adults in Yolo County

Collaboration, Coordination, Information & Assistance Committee

MINUTES

Monday, November 22, 2021, 9:00AM-11:00AM, via Zoom

PRESENT:

Theresa Ava (Gerontology intern)	Emily Miyaoka (Resources for Independent Living)
Julie Baumgartner (VOA Veteran Services)	Michelle Nevins (Del Oro Caregiver Resource Center)
Isaac Blackstock (Yolo County Housing)	Christine Prater (West Sacramento Community Center)
Craig Blomberg (Sutter Davis Hospital)	Monique Preciado (Yolo 211)
Dana Carey (Yolo Co. Office of Emergency Services)	Liz Ramero (Yolo Hospice/Yolo Cares)
Beth Conn-Ossenfort (Yolo Adult Day Health Center)	Heather Steward (Northern Valley Indian Health)
Bambi Eagle (Northern Valley Indian Health)	Jan Taylor (Comfort Keepers)
Josephia Elliot (Yolo Adult Protective Services)	Joan Tuss (Yolo Co. Library-Senior Programs)
Mark Fink (Yolo Co. Library)	Michelle Prenez (Iris Health)
Rene Galindo (In Home Supportive Services-IHSS)	Monique Presiado (Yolo 211)
Jessica Gorjkovich (Yolo Public Guardian)	Cindi Unger (ApexCare)
Victoria Harling (CA Phones)	Loran Vetter (St. Luke's Comm. Resource Navigators)
Lindsey Hall (Yolo DA Elder Protection Unit)	Lupita Vital (Yolo Co. Immunization program)
Emily Jacob (Yolo Adult Day Health Center)	Stacy Vue (MSSP)
Tracy Keenan (Yolo Hospice-Citizens who Care)	Carolynn Washington (HICAP)
Daysi Lawton (Yolo Meals on Wheels)	
Omega Lee (UCD Veterans Program)	
Ricardo Lopez (Yolo Co. Children's Alliance)	Sheila Allen, staff (Executive Director, YHAA)
Tina Luo (Welcome Homecare)	Julie Langston, staff (Program Coordinator, YHAA)
Ella Manashil (Yolo Food Bank-Eat Home Yolo)	Ahmed Kiran (Outreach Specialist, YHAA)
Pedro Matura (Co-op Homecare)	(39 people present)

1). Introductions and announcements (Sheila Allen)

2). Accept Minutes 8/23/21 meeting MOTION: Moved by Isaac Blackstock, Craig Blomberg 2nd, passed unanimously.

3). Follow up- YHAA Annual Cross Training Thank you to all that participated in our September 2021 Annual Cross Training. We heard from and about all 125 organizations that are a part of the YHAA Collaboration Committee. You can find the cross training video at our committee's page on the YAAA website. <https://www.yolohealthyaging.org/collaboration>. Here you can also find our Cross Training list of providers, minutes from our meetings and presentations.

4). Office of Emergency Services (Dana Carey) Although we have had rain lately we continue to be in a drought. All Yolo residents are encouraged to conserve water. To receive emergency information sign up for Yolo Alert at <https://member.everbridge.net/453003085611271/new>

5). COVID update, boosters and outreach to remaining unvaccinated 50+ (Sheila Allen) Sheila gave a brief update on the status of COVID in Yolo County. There has been a dip in the positivity rates in Yolo. Now in California those 18 years and above are eligible for a booster. Can mix and match between vaccine types. Booster rates in 65 years and up are low. Hospitalization continues to be flat and primarily those who are unvaccinated. Craig still seeing a few COVID positive people in hospital at all times. YHAA and Yolo County EMS boosted 92 residents at Rancho Yolo recently. It is very important that everyone gets their booster shot as immunity from initial vaccination is waning.

6). Aging and Disability Resource Connection update (Anson Houghton-AAA4, Brandi Bluell-RIL, Sheila Allen-YHAA) The 3 core partners of the ADRC submitted paperwork to CA Dept. on Aging for full authorization. Awaiting response from the state. With full authorization the Yolo Aging and Disability Connection will have ongoing funding to connect persons to services, provide case management and assist with transitions from hospitals and skilled nursing facilities to home.

7). Provider spotlight: New/Updated Programs

a. Yolo Cares-formerly Yolo Hospice (Tracy Keenan) All volunteers are now called “Citizens who Care”. When a person is initially assessed will be giving a Supportive Care levels (where Citizens who Care now resides) depending on need. If someone is interested in the Saturday Club or Home visits call the main number and they will be placed in proper program. Question from Randy Dinning, Yolo ombudsman: How is an unrepresented placed in hospice. Response from PG: skilled nursing facility or APS will make a referral to hospice and then public guardian will immediately start the process. There is no charge for any services at Yolo Hospice including for Palliative Care. Recruiting for friendly visitors or respite care. Can serve veterans in all counties. Hospice only in all the counties. Other levels (palliative and home visitation) only in Yolo County. Galileo Place (Adult Day Program) is hiring staff and hoping to open in Jan. Call to get on the waitlist.

b. Northern Valley Indian Health (Bambi Eagle/Heather Steward) Medical, dental, specialty services (dietary, pain management, etc.) Expanded into County Fair Mall’s 20,000 ft. of new clinic programs. Behavioral Health significantly expanded. Can provide specialty mental health services. Partnership with local school district for mental health services also. Anyone in the community, not just tribal affiliation can receive care including those with Medi-Cal and no insurance. Also providing community COVID outreach events. Working with Yolo Co. for homeless population for vaccine outreach. Brief referral form with note that person consented for services then they can reach out to them.

c. Welcome Home Care (Tina Luo) In home care services provides ADL and IADL, supplemental staffing to assisted and skilled facilities, pet care, is a vendor for Veteran Aide and Attendant program. Staff are TB tested, background checked.

8). Round table discussion from participants-updates on programs and services from members (all)

Adult Protective Services (APS) (Josephia Elliot) Holidays are usually calm but then there usually is an uptick in referrals after the holidays.

Public Guardian (Jessica Gojkovich) Working hybrid-remote or in office. Get referrals from wide range of referral sources including SNF, APS, psychiatric hospitals and jail.

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Yolo Adult Day Health Care (Emily Jacob) Day program assists with aging, especially those with cognitive impairments. Still doing small in person groups 6-8 per day. Next month 10-14 size groups. Still waiting to see if they will fully open in Jan. For now will be slowly re-opening.

Iris Health (Michelle Prenez) In home primary medical care, in home monitoring (covered by Medicare), in home wound care by a nurse practitioner. Accept all insurances.

Yolo 211 (Monique Preciado) still helping with home vax, can help find booster and can help register. Please let her know about any holiday distribution. Doing verification for information

Yolo Food Bank (Ella Manashil) looking for additional locations for food distribution for older adults such as senior living facilities.

Yolo County Libraries (Mark Fink/Joan) Books by Mail program Upon request can sending materials at no cost such as memory kits, mental health and wellness kits (anxiety, depression). Have a virtual program: Yolo Reads.

Isaac Blackstock (Yolo Housing Authority) Toy drive coming up through CHP, family self-sufficiency program in high demand as residents can earn money for our rent.

Yolo Meals on Wheels (Daisy Lawton) New Executive Director Joy Cohan start Jan. 3, Subaru Share the Love event is being directed to Meals on Wheels. Currently have a warm blanket drive to provide to their participants.

Comfort Keepers (Jan Taylor) In home care, now has a home care program for veterans, starting to get more care providers.

St. Luke's Resource Navigators (Loran Vetter) Working closely with the personal care pantry on North St. at the United Methodist Church in Woodland to provide personal care resources. Next distribution day is Dec. 1. Been very busy getting calls for service in the community.

HICAP (Carolyn Washington) Free Medicare information and assistance.

Yolo Ombudsman (Randy Dinning) Looking at data and finding serial providers that are problems so that they can be prosecuted. Working to resolve complaints to the satisfaction of the resident and the facility. Need to get buy-in from facilities. Form SOC341 is used to report physical abuse in a facility. This report goes to Ombudsman, police and CDPH. Ombudsman must have consent from resident or their guardian.

Dignity Woodland Hospital Care Coordination nurses and social workers (Alma Guzman Oliva/Jesus Aguilera) The information at these meetings are very helpful in their work.

Resources for Independent Living (Emily Miyaoka) Brandi Bluell is leaving. Interviewing new person. Recently was able to prevent someone from Yolo County from going into SNF by assisted with personal care services and special bed.

Co-op Home Care (Pedro Maturana) In home care. Now open and taking clients.

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Del Oro Caregiver Resource Center (Michelle Nevins) Helping family caregivers, hired a new family consultant to address high caseloads, planning in person events in the new year. 2 education events this year-The Art of Caregiveing, Fall Risk presentation were online.

ApexCare (Cindi Unger) Brain Booster Class is back! Series of 6 classes at the Woodland Senior and Community Center on Wednesdays 9am-11:30. Register with Cindi or just drop in.

Yolo DA (Lindsey Hall) Recent new scam email from Amazon website.

UC Davis Veteran Services (Omego Lee) Processes information for UCD student veterans to assure they receive all programs, supports and services they are eligible to be successful.

MSSP (Stacy Vue) Looking for a social worker and part time nurse in Yuba, now serve Sutter County. No waitlist in Yolo County. Closed Dec. 23

Volunteers of America-Veterans Assistance Program (Julie Baumbarten) Program serves homeless veterans or those at risk of homelessness, help with finding housing and helping with first month rent. "Shallow rental assistance" 2 years of rent assistance, employment assistance for items to support their work. Located at Mather Field. Have a housing specialist.

Sutter Davis Hospital (Craig Blomberg) Suggests that IHSS should be expanded to address mental health components as well as physical. Refer to the YHAA Advocacy Committee.

9). Update on Yolo Healthy Aging Alliance activities (Sheila Allen)

a. Friendly caller program- <https://www.yolohealthyaging.org/phone-friend-forms>

b. COVID outreach grants (Yolo County and ADRC)

c. Yolo Congregate Meals with Drewski's food trucks

d. Yolo Healthy Aging Alliance Advocacy Committee meets first Thurs. each month, 10am-noon via Zoom <https://www.yolohealthyaging.org/advocacy>

e. YHAA Annual Fundraiser- Sunday, April 3, 5p-7p, Galileo Place Healing Garden (new Adult Day Program, Davis)

10). Future agenda items

11). Announcements

12). Next meeting, Monday, January 24, 9am-11am, via Zoom