



COUNTY OF SAN MATEO
Inter-Departmental Correspondence
Health System



Date: March 6, 2017
Board Meeting Date: April 25, 2017
Special Notice / Hearing: None
Vote Required: Majority

To: Honorable Board of Supervisors

From: Louise Rogers, Chief, Health System
Lisa Mancini, Director, Aging and Adult Services

Subject: Submission of the FY 2016-20 Area Plan Update for Services for Older Adults and Adults with Disabilities to the California Department of Aging

RECOMMENDATION:

Acting as the Governing Board of the Area Agency on Aging for the County of San Mateo, adopt a resolution authorizing:

- A) Submission of the FY 2016-20 Area Plan Update for Services for Older Adults and Adults with Disabilities to the California Department of Aging; and
- B) Execution of a Transmittal Letter to the California Department of Aging required to complete the submission process.

BACKGROUND:

In July 1992, Aging and Adult Services (AAS) convened a broad-based group of persons with disabilities, seniors, caregivers, and service providers to form the New Beginning Coalition (NBC). The purpose of the Coalition is to improve the quality of life for San Mateo County's diverse population of older persons and adults with disabilities. The primary vehicle for achieving that goal was the development of a long-range plan for a continuum of services that would be responsive to the needs of its consumers and would acknowledge and incorporate the diversity that exists in San Mateo County.

In 1995, after a lengthy planning process involving more than 500 individuals and organizations, the first Strategic Plan for Services to Older Adults and Adults with Disabilities was officially adopted by your Board, the Commission on Aging (CoA), and the Commission on Disabilities, as well as by community organizations throughout San Mateo County.

The Area Plan for Services for Older Adults and Adults with Disabilities (Plan) serves as the Area Agency on Aging Plan that is required by the California Department of Aging to

receive Older Americans Act (OAA) funding. Generally spanning a period of four years, the current plan is for 2016-2020.

DISCUSSION:

This 2017-2018 Strategic Plan Update (Update) addresses the second year of the current 2016- 2020 Plan. The Update reflects a comprehensive picture of the current needs of older adults and adults with disabilities in San Mateo County, and the services provided to this population. It also highlights the goals and objectives to be addressed, as well as the program development, advocacy and coordination of activities to be undertaken to enhance services for older adults and adults with disabilities.

Highlighted activities address the following four goals of the Plan:

- Promote community-based services that support independence, socialization and safety for older adults, adults with disabilities, and their caregivers;
- Support options for increased mobility;
- Promote/support affordable and accessible housing options in San Mateo County;
- San Mateo County will be an age-friendly community where older adults will be able to age in place.

In accordance with the OAA, the Plan has been approved by the CoA, which serves as the advisory body for the Area Agency on Aging.

County Counsel has reviewed and approved the resolution as to form.

The Plan contributes to the Shared Vision 2025 outcome of a Healthy Community by providing demographic and statistical information that allows AAS to determine the services most needed for at-risk individuals. Submittal of the Plan is necessary for final approval of the OAA funding needed to continue to provide senior services that would help older adults remain in the most independent setting possible. Through the submission of this Update and providing the community-based services funded through OAA, it is anticipated that 40,000 unduplicated older adults will be served by programs funded via the OAA.

PERFORMANCE MEASURE(S):

Measure	FY 2015-16 Actuals	FY 2016-17 Projected
Estimated unduplicated count of persons served by programs funded via the Older Americans Act	36,858	40,000

FISCAL IMPACT:

There is no Net County Cost resulting from the approval of the Plan.