

Board Report

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- a. Approve Department of Social Services Area Agency on Aging 2013-2014 Area Plan Update; and
- b. Authorize the Chair of the Board of Supervisors to sign the Area Plan Update Transmittal Letter.

RECOMMENDATION:

It is recommended that the Board of Supervisors:

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SUMMARY/DISCUSSION:

This report is an annual update to the 2012-2016 Area Plan and is submitted annually to the California Department of Aging in compliance with Older Americans Act requirements. The update report provides an opportunity to make adjustments to the Area Plan. This update report is limited in scope and addresses only those areas from the 2012-2016 Area Plan that require a change. The Area Plan Update Checklist on page two identifies the components being updated in this report. The 2012-2016 Area Plan remains the primary source of information for local planning and system development efforts.

The findings from the needs assessment conducted in support of the Area Plan remain unchanged. As reported in the 2012-2016 Area Plan, the needs of greatest importance to seniors are food, transportation, access to affordable health care and insurance, affordable housing and assistance with legal affairs that round out the top five needs identified by Monterey County seniors.

The goals and objectives reported in the 2012-2016 Area Plan remain relevant and stand unchanged. The AAA continues to lead local efforts in a redesign of the service delivery system to better integrate and coordinate Long Term Services and Supports, also known as social supports, with health care services. On the advocacy front, the AAA Advisory Council has been active in identifying issues important to seniors and working with policy makers to strengthen social security and Medicare, bring attention to the problem of elder and dependent adult abuse, and call for parity in the provision of mental health services and treatment for older adults.

OTHER AGENCY INVOLVEMENT:

The Area Agency on Aging Advisory Council participated in the development of the 2013-2014 Area Plan Update.

FINANCING:

There is no fiscal impact to the County General Fund associated with receiving the 2012-2016 Area Plan. Prepared by: Sam Trevino, Area Agency on Aging Director, 4447

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Attachments: Area Agency on Aging 2013-2014 Area Plan Update

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