



VENTURA COUNTY AREA AGENCY ON AGING ADVISORY COUNCIL MEETING

July 8, 2026

9:00 a.m. to 11:00 am

Ventura County Office of Education (VCOE) –
Conference and Educational Services Center
5100 Adolfo Road, Camarillo 93012

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The council will be meeting in person. Members of the public are welcome to attend in person or via Zoom.

VCAAA Advisory Council Role – To provide leadership, input, and advocacy as facilitators between VCAAA and the community, in support of VCAAA's mission.

VCAAA Role – VCAAA is the responsible agency to seek, serve, administer, and manage available funding to ensure resources are allocated to serve Ventura County, creating integrated community-based services where older adults and people with disabilities can age in their community with dignity and respect.

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| 9:00 a.m. | 1. | Call to Order and Agenda Review | Sue Tatangelo |
| | 2. | Pledge of Allegiance | Gloria Massey
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| | 3. | Roll Call and Motion to Accept Online Virtual Attendance for those declaring "Emergency Circumstances" | Alisa Sanchez |
| | 4. | Approval of Area Agency on Aging Advisory Council Minutes of March 25, 2026. | Sue Tatangelo |
| | 5. | Public Comments | Sue Tatangelo |

Procedure: The public is welcome to comment. All comments not related to items on the agenda may be made at the beginning of the meeting only. Comments are limited to three minutes per person.

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| 6. | Consent Agenda Items – Committee Reports | Sue Tatangelo |
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Procedure: The Advisory Council will approve these reports

all at once unless an Advisory Committee wishes to remove a report from the consent agenda and discuss and approve it separately.

6.1 ADRC Committee – 05.20.26

6.2 Workforce Committee – 05.21.26

6.3 Housing & Transportation Committee – No meeting

6.4 Optimal Aging Committee – 05.27.26

6.5 Senior Nutrition & Health Committee – 05.20.26

6.6 Transition Taskforce Committee – 06.16.26

ACTION ITEMS

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| 7. | Dissolution of Housing & Transportation Committee – Continued Discussion | Sue Tatangelo |
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PRESENTATION/INFORMATIONAL ITEMS

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| 8. | Consultant Update | Martha Shapiro |
| 9. | Continued Discussion – Transportation Services | Ben Rhodes |
| 10. | AAA Contract Summary | Monique Nowlin |
| 11. | Advisory Council Bylaws Update | Monique Nowlin |
| 12. | Introduction of Advisory Council Members | Sue Tatangelo |
| 13. | HSA Leadership Update | Monique Nowlin |
| 14. | HSA Communications Manager Update | Roger Horne |
| 15. | Other Committee Meetings: <i>*2 months of updates May/July</i> | |
| | a. California Senior Legislature Update | Brenda Birdwell
Tony Gitt
Jordana Lawrence |
| | b. VCAAA Foundation Update | James Schicker |
| | c. LGBT+ Aging Coalition | Dr. Ron Berkowsky |
| | d. Dementia Friendly Ventura County | Denise Noguera-Valenzuela |
| 16. | Meeting Calendar FY 2026-2027 | Sue Tatangelo |
| 17. | Other Business | Sue Tatangelo |
| 18. | Comments from the Chair | Sue Tatangelo |

19. Future Agenda Items

Sue Tatangelo

11:00 am 20. Adjournment

Sue Tatangelo

VENTURA COUNTY AREA AGENCY ON AGING
Advisory Council Meeting Minutes
5100 Adolfo Road
Camarillo, CA 93012
May 20, 2026

Advisory Council Members Present:

Blair Barker (Service Provider)	Jonnie Lisman (City of Port Hueneme)
Stephanie Belding (Thousand Oaks COA)	Gloria Massey-Chinea (City of Oxnard)
Dr. Ron Berkowsky (LGBT+ Population)	Luis Mendez II (City of Port Hueneme)
Brenda Birdwell (CSL)	Dr. Maria Munguia (City of Santa Paula)
Colleen Bogdanich (City of Ventura)	Peggy Parra (City of Santa Paula)
Alvin Brown (Simi Valley COA)	Nancy Phillips (BOS District 3)
Denise Calhoun (BOS District 2)	Carmen Reyes (Camarillo COA)
Fred Chase (City of Ojai)	Michelle Rios (Service Provider)
Smita Dandekar (BOS District 4)	Anita Ruiz (BOS At-Large)
Carina Forsythe (City of Fillmore)	Peter Schreiner (Behavioral Health Population)
Tony Gitt (CSL)	Martha Shapiro (Service Provider)
Dr. Karen Gorback (CSL)	Alice Sweetland (City of Oxnard)
Annette Halpern (City of Ventura)	Sue Tatangelo (Consumer Population)
Maureen Hodge (Family Caregiver Population)	Gayle Von Eissler (City of Moorpark)
Carol Leish (Disability Population)	

Advisory Council Members Absent:

Lynette Harvey (Medical Provider)	Nita Vaidya (Thousand Oaks COA)
Jeanette Sanchez-Palacios (BOS District 1)	Susan Voll (Camarillo COA)
Sylvia Taylor-Stein (BOS District 5)	

VCAAA Staff Members Present:

Roger Horne (Communications Manager)	Ben Rhodes (Division Manager)
Martin Marquez (Program Assistant)	Alisa Sanchez (Program Assistant)
Monique Nowlin (AAA Director)	Sonia Vaughn (Program Manager)

Members of the Public Present:

Dani Anderson	Jordana Lawrence
Jay Evans	James Schicker
James Importante	

Virtual Attendees:

Chris Ball
Tracy Gallaher

Alexa Martin
Raquel Wirth

BOS (Board of Supervisors) Supervisorial Appointees:

District 1 – Supervisor Matt LaVere
District 2 – Supervisor Jeff Gorell
District 3 – Supervisor Kelly Long

District 4 – Supervisor Janice Parvin
District 5 – Supervisor Vianey Lopez

- 1) **Call to Order and Agenda Review** – The May 20, 2026, Advisory Council meeting was called to order at 9:03 am by Chair Dr. Maria Munguia.
- 2) **Pledge of Allegiance** – The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Vice Chair Martha Shapiro (Service Provider).
- 3) **Roll Call and Motion to Accept Online Virtual Attendance for Those Declaring “Emergency Circumstances”** – Alisa Sanchez called roll. Quorum was reached.
- 4) **Approval of Area Agency on Aging Advisory Council Minutes of March 25, 2026.**

Motion: Approve March 25, 2026 Minutes

Moved by: Al Brown, seconded by Stephanie Belding

Result: Motion passed

- 5) **Public Comments** – Dr. Karen Gorback commented that she was fortunate enough to serve on the California Senior Legislature for the last seven and a half years and states that she learned a ton during her time. She shared that she wants to bring attention to the following statewide advocacy groups and thinks it is important to stay in touch and follow them on social media: California Commission on Aging, Leading Age California and Justice in Aging. Stephanie Belding shared that Thousand Oaks-based group, America Supporting Americans is hosting a Salute to the Troops event on June 13, 2026, at Heroes Park in east county. There will be music, bands and presentations as well as a raffle. If you are interested in purchasing raffle tickets, Stephanie has them for sale. Michelle Rios shared that she is a fellow in the American Society on Aging's RISE program and they are currently completing their capstone project. The team is

looking to learn more about the experiences of solo agers that have recently experienced a change in care (addition of a specialist, hospitalization or skilled nursing facility in the last 12 months) and are seeking focus group participants for their study. At this time they are specifically looking for African American, Black or Latina women 65 years of age or older. Michelle brought flyers and can provide a link to those interested in participating. Member of the public, Jay Evans commented that he is representing Osher Lifelong Learning Institute and is here to promote their program, Summer Taste which will run from the middle of June through July. Registration for Summer Taste opens on May 26th and Jay encourages Advisory Council members to share this information with their communities/constituents and has flyers to share.

6) Consent Agenda Items

6.1 ADRC Committee – 3.18.26

6.2 Workforce Committee – 3.19.26

6.3 Housing & Transportation Committee – No meeting

6.4 Optimal Aging Committee – 1.28.26 & 3.25.26

6.5 Senior Nutrition & Health Committee – No report

Received and Filed

ACTION ITEMS

- 7) CSL Elections** – The CSL four-year term starts July 1, 2026, and ends June 30, 2030. The following individuals applied for and are eligible to fill the open seats: Brenda Birdwell, Tony Gitt and Jordana Lawrence. The redacted applications of the candidates were passed out for the Advisory Council to review and were collected back after the election.

Motion: To Accept the CSL members as certified by CSL and presented by the Nominating Committee.

Moved by: Dr. Karen Gorback, seconded by Gloria Massey Chinaea

Abstentions: The candidates abstained from voting.

Result: Motion passed

- 8) Advisory Council Officer Elections** – Advisory Council Secretary Alice Sweetland served as Chair of the Nominating Committee alongside committee members Al Brown, Denise Calhoun, Carol

Leish, Michelle Rios and Gayle Von Eissler. AAA Director Monique Nowlin and Program Assistant Alisa Sanchez served as staff on the committee. Alice Sweetland shared that it is time to elect Advisory Council officers for the term of July 1, 2026- June 30, 2027. The Nominating Committee received applications from the following candidates for the officer seats as follows: Sue Tatangelo (Chair), Martha Shapiro (Vice Chair) and Blair Barker (Secretary). Alice made a call for any nominations from the floor. No floor nominations were received. Because no floor nominations were received and there was only one application per officer seat, there was no need to vote with ballots. The applications of the candidates were passed out for the Advisory Council to review (non-redacted as these applications contain no personal information) and were collected back after the election.

Motion: To Accept the slate of Advisory Council officers as proposed by the Nominating Committee Chair.

Moved by: Brenda Birdwell, seconded by Al Brown

Abstentions: The candidates abstained from voting

Result: Motion passed

- 9) **Dissolution of Housing & Transportation Committee** – The committee has been unable to meet due to low attendance and inability to reach a quorum. The group discussed the dissolution and was not ready to make a decision or take a vote and therefore Chair Dr. Munguia decided this agenda item is being tabled and will be on the next meeting's agenda (July meeting) for further discussion.
- 10) **Establishment of New Transition Taskforce Committee** – The Chair, Dr. Munguia presented the establishment of a new subcommittee.

Motion: To Establish a new Transition Taskforce Committee Moved by: Blair Barker, seconded by Michelle Rios

Result: Motion passed

- 11) **Strategic Plan Update** – Monique Nowlin provided an overview of this year's update to the Strategic Plan. Federal and State regulations require HSA AAA to develop and submit a master area

or strategic plan every four years and an annual update for each of those three intervening years which we are in. Prior to submission to California Department of Aging (CDA), the annual update is shared with the Advisory Council and then approved by the Ventura County Board of Supervisors. The updates were shared with the Advisory Council as well as shared on the VCAAA website. Monique's PowerPoint presentation detailing the updates was sent to the Advisory Council members post meeting. The Public Hearing for the Strategic Plan update will take place Tuesday, May 26, 2026, at 855 Partridge Dr, Ventura, CA 93003.

PRESENTATION/INFORMATIONAL ITEMS

- 12) **HSA Leadership Update** – Monique Nowlin introduced James Importante (Program Management Analyst from County Executive Office) and Dani Anderson (Disability Access Manager from County Executive Office). James Importante informed the Advisory Council that pursuant to the Board's direction in March, the CEO's office will conduct a comprehensive analysis regarding the transition of the AAA services in our community. James added that he is the point of contact if there are any questions about the evaluation. James shared that later today, 5 pm on May 20th the Request for Proposal (RFP) would be released, the RFP is seeking an independent consultant to conduct the evaluation. James also stated that the contract for the evaluation will be awarded around July 1st. James and Dani expect that the consultant hired will have a draft of their report by November to share with the Advisory Council and the Board of Supervisors so that a decision can be made in December by the Board of Supervisors. James and Dani took and answered questions from the Advisory Council. James agreed to send the link to the RFP to Monique/Alisa to distribute to the Advisory Council once it was released later that day for easier access but also ensured the group it is being posted to the public. Monique closed the leadership update with sharing that Sylvia Taylor-Stein's term ends at the end of May and that she will not be renewing her term therefore there will be a vacancy for supervisorial appointee District 5 (Supervisor Lopez).
- 13) **HSA Communications Manager Update** – Chair Dr. Munguia tabled this agenda item for the next meeting.
- 14) **Transportation Service Presentation** – Ben Rhodes, ADS Division Manager, who supports Adult Protective Services, In-Home Support Services, Public Authority and Public Administrator program shared

a comprehensive PowerPoint presentation with the particulars including a graph showing funding sources, funding constraints, ride types and service units. Ben took and answered questions from the Advisory Council regarding transportation services and funding. Due to time constraints and having additional action items to address, Chair Dr. Munguia tabled this item to further discuss at the next Advisory Council meeting in July. Ben's PowerPoint presentation was emailed to the Advisory Council post meeting.

15) Other Committee Meetings:

a. California Senior Legislature (CSL) Update – Chair Dr. Munguia tabled this agenda item for the next meeting.

b. VCAA Foundation Update – Chair Dr. Munguia tabled this agenda item for the next meeting.

c. LGBT+ Aging Coalition – Chair Dr. Munguia tabled this agenda item for the next meeting.

d. Dementia Friendly Ventura County (DFVC) – Chair Dr. Munguia tabled this agenda item for the next meeting.

16) NEW Meeting Calendar FY 2026-2027 – Chair Dr. Munguia shared that the new calendar is attached to the Agenda Packet.

17) Other Business – Stephanie Belding reminded the Advisory Council that the Workforce Committee is meeting tomorrow May 21st.

18) Comments from the Chair – Dr. Munguia shared her gratitude for the time that she was Chair of the Advisory Council and the progress made. She also stated she looks forward to continuing on as a member of the Advisory Council with her fellow members. Dr. Munguia closed with a quote by one of her mentors, Dr. Gloria Azangoa, “we can't afford to stop in the middle of the bridge with arms crossed. We need to keep going, and we need to keep moving ahead”.

19) Future Agenda Items – None were submitted.

20) Adjournment – Meeting was adjourned at 11:05 AM. The next regular meeting for the Advisory Council will be held on July 8, 2026, at Ventura County Office of Education (VCOE) Conference and Education Center located at 5100 Adolfo Road, Camarillo, CA 93012.

ADRC Subcommittee Meeting Minutes

Date: May 20, 2026

Time: 1:00 PM – 2:00 PM

Location: Virtual Meeting

Chair: Ronald Berkowsky

Attendees

- Ronald Berkowsky (Chair)
- Al Brown
- Carol Leish
- Vanessa Acain (ACC)
- Emily Bridges (AAC)
- Denise Noguera-Valenzuela
- Roger Horne
- Tony Gitt

Key Discussion Points

1. Check-in on VCAAA Transition

- Denise Noguera-Valenzuela reported that ADRC operations continue “business as usual.”
- The Information & Assistance team is proceeding with Quarter 4 training efforts with Access Central Coast.
- Denise and Vanessa will begin planning next fiscal year’s ADRC trainings and meetings as routinely scheduled.
- No operational changes to ADRC services were reported at this time.

2. Legislative Update – ADRC “Fix-It” Bill (SB 1261)

- Vanessa Acain shared that she checked with Alexa Martin-Eisenberg and there were no new or pertinent updates at this time.
- Roger Horne and other members also confirmed they had not received additional information regarding the bill’s status.
- Discussion reiterated that the purpose of the bill is to preserve ADRC designation and associated state funding if VCAAA services transition from the County to a nonprofit structure.

3. Funding & Consultant RFP Discussion

- Members discussed questions regarding current ADRC and VCAAA funding sources amid concerns about federal and state funding changes.
- Cross-training underway to support ADRC and Information & Assistance (I&A) services.
- Roger Horne shared an update from the VCAAA Advisory Council meeting that the County CEO’s Office planned to release a Request for Proposal (RFP) for a consultant to evaluate the current VCAAA structure and provide recommendations.
- Timeline discussed:

- Consultant RFP expected to be released May 20, 2026
- Consultant anticipated to begin work by July 2026
- Findings/report expected by November 2026
- Presentation to Board of Supervisors anticipated in December 2026
- Clarification was provided that this consultant RFP is separate from the previously paused California Department of Aging RFP regarding AAA transition efforts.

4. Community Input & Advisory Council Involvement

- Tony Gitt shared concerns raised during the VCAAA Advisory Council meeting regarding limited community input during earlier transition discussions.
- Discussion included the importance of ensuring stakeholder and ADRC representation throughout the consultant review process.
- Ronald Berkowsky emphasized the importance of coordinating with the future consultant to ensure ADRC perspectives and community priorities are represented.
- Ronald also noted that he plans to share a student research project related to ADRC operations and community needs with the consultant once finalized.

5. Proposed VCAAA Task Force Committee

- Tony Gitt shared that the Advisory Council discussed forming a new task force committee related to the VCAAA transition and consultant review process.
- The committee may serve as a liaison/interface with the consultant and provide organized stakeholder input.
- Discussion included the importance of ensuring representation from ADRC and other advisory groups.
- Additional details regarding committee membership and structure are expected at future meetings.

6. ADRC Outreach & Program Updates

- Vanessa Acain reported that ADRC staff are planning a high-level ADRC overview training for newer VCAAA staff involved with ADRC services.
- ADRC annual planning for the upcoming fiscal year has been completed.
- Focus areas for next year include:
 - Increased community outreach and education regarding ADRC services
 - Strengthening community partner engagement
 - Expanding ADRC training and presentations
- Vanessa also shared that quarterly ADRC reporting data has recently been submitted and offered to provide summary data to the committee at a future meeting.

Action Items

- Denise Noguera-Valenzuela & Vanessa Acain:
 - Continue planning FY 2026–2027 ADRC trainings and meetings.
 - Coordinate ADRC overview training for newer AAA staff.
- Vanessa Acain:
 - Prepare and share quarterly ADRC reporting data and service statistics with the committee
- Ronald Berkowsky:
 - Share ADRC-related student research project with future consultant once finalized.
- Committee Members:
 - Continue monitoring VCAAA consultant RFP process and future Advisory Council developments.

Next Meeting

- Next ADRC Subcommittee Meeting scheduled for July.

Adjournment

Meeting adjourned at approximately 1:30 PM.

TO: VCAAA Advisory Council Members

FROM: Stephanie Belding, Chair

DATE: June 29, 2026

SUBJECT: Workforce Committee (WC) Report from May 21, 2026

Committee Members Present:

Stephanie Belding
Dr. Karen Gorback
Brenda Birdwell
Al Brown
Michelle Rios

Committee Members Absent:

Dr. Nita Vaidya

Interested Members of the Public

Absent:

Alice Sweetland
Dr. Maria Munguia

VCAAA Staff Members Present:

Sonia Vaughn (HICAP Manager)
Roger Horne (HSA-AAA Public
Information Officer)

1. **Welcome-** Meeting was called to order by Stephanie Belding at 10:04 am.
2. **Public Comments-** One public comment was made by Stephanie Belding expressing appreciation and recognition for Karen Gorback's years of service, leadership, and contributions to the Workforce Committee and broader community.
3. **Committee Status/Members-** The committee discussed the need to recruit additional members, with potential new members expected to join in July. Emphasis was placed on bringing in new ideas and sharing workload among members.
4. **Future Workforce Collaboration Possibilities-** The committee discussed potential collaboration with the Workforce Development Board. Ideas included hosting job fairs, training opportunities, and joint events at Workforce Development facilities. Additional resources such as a mobile workforce unit (bus with computers) and partnerships to support underserved populations were considered. Members emphasized focusing on low-effort, high-impact activities and meeting people where they are (e.g., community locations rather than government buildings).
5. **Goebel Adult Community Center Presentations Planning-** The committee plans to host presentations/workshops at Goebel Adult Community Center and Simi Valley Senior Center. Target timeframe discussed: October (for holiday job prep) and March (for summer jobs). Proposed format: 2-hour sessions including a video presentation and discussion. Potential services include resume review, interview support, and follow-up sessions for one-on-one assistance. Action items include reserving space in advance, advertising in the Goebel Gazette, and finalizing dates at the July meeting.
6. **Other Business-** The committee discussed an article prepared for *LiveWell* magazine highlighting the Workforce Committee's efforts. Members expressed interest in sharing and repurposing the article, including distributing it to partner organizations and advisory members, posting it on the VCAA website, including it in senior center newsletters and potentially submitting

a condensed version to the Acorn newspaper. It was also suggested to attach the article to a future meeting agenda for broader access.

7. **Next meeting date** –The Workforce Committee’s next regular meeting will be held on Wednesday, July 16, 2026, from 10 AM – 11 AM.
8. **Adjournment-** Meeting adjourned at 10:36 AM.

TO: VCAAA Advisory Council Members

FROM: Alice Sweetland, Chair

DATE: June 30, 2026

SUBJECT: Optimal Aging Committee Minutes from May 27, 2026

Committee Members Present:

Alice Sweetland
Ronald Berkowsky
Denise Calhoun
Al Brown

VCAAA Staff Members Present:

Sonia Vaughn (HICAP Manager)
Roger Horne (HSA-AAA Public
Information Officer)

Committee Members Absent:

Dinah Frishling
Lyn Cotwright
Susan Zirnite
Sylvia Taylor-Stein

1. **Welcome-** Meeting was called to order by Alice Sweetland at 2:22 PM.
2. **Public Comments-** There were no public comments made.
3. **Legacy Award Status-** The committee reviewed updates to the Legacy Award process. The application was revised, including a reduction in the word limit from 500 to 300 words. Plans were confirmed to distribute and promote the application via the VCAAA website, email, and media outreach, with a typical three-month nomination period. Members were encouraged to help promote the application.

Discussion also included logistics for award materials, with potential funding sources identified if prior support is unavailable. Key dates were noted: nominations due September 1, review to follow, and award presentation planned for the November Advisory Council meeting.
4. **VCAAA Updates-** The committee received updates on VCAAA website enhancements, including improved public access to committee information and materials. An RFP for a consultant related to the county strategic plan was released, and updates were shared regarding the strategic planning process and recent public input.
5. **Other-** Additional discussion included future meeting scheduling (with a tentative in-person meeting set for September 9), committee leadership considerations, and concerns regarding transportation funding and broader structural challenges. The group also discussed the potential consolidation of committee topics and ongoing engagement issues.
6. **Next meeting date –**The Optimal Aging Committee’s next regular meeting will be held on Wednesday, July 22, 2026, from 2:00 PM – 3:00 PM via Zoom.

Update: As of June 30, 2026, the July 22, 2026 meeting has been cancelled.

7. **Adjournment-** Meeting adjourned at 2:40 PM.

TO: VCAAA Advisory Council Members

FROM: Blair Barker, Chair

DATE: June 30, 2026

SUBJECT: Senior Nutrition and Health Committee Report from May 27, 2026

Committee Members Present:

Anita Ruiz
Alice Sweetland
Blair Barker
Lynette Harvey
Smita Dandekar
Maria Munguia
Raquel Wirth

VCAAA Staff Members Present:

Sonia Vaughn (HICAP Manager)
Roger Horne (HSA- AAA
Public Information Officer)

1. **Welcome-** Meeting was called to order by Blair Barker at 12:33 PM.
2. **Public Comments-** No public comments were received, and no members of the public were present.
3. **CalAIM Presentation by Deanna Handel- Health Care Agency**
 - Overview of CalAIM (California Advancing and Innovating Medi-Cal) initiative.
 - Focus on Enhanced Care Management (ECM) and Community Supports.
 - Key points:
 - Whole-person care approach addressing medical and social needs.
 - Services targeted to high-risk Medi-Cal populations, including seniors and dual-eligible (Medicare/Medi-Cal) individuals.
 - ECM includes intensive care coordination, health promotion, and transition support.
 - Community supports include housing assistance, home modifications, medically tailored meals, and respite care.
 - Referrals are coordinated through Gold Coast Health Plan.
4. **Other Business-** Committee reviewed five draft mission statement options. General preference emerged for Options 4 and 5, with emphasis on keeping the mission concise. Discussion highlighted the importance of including:
 - Mental health
 - Social health (e.g., isolation, loneliness)
 - A “whole person” or holistic health approach
 - Agreement to potentially includes broader health concepts in the mission and more detailed elements in priorities
 - 2nd part of presentation recorded via MS TEAMS and emailed to committee

members due to meeting ending automatically.

Option #4

“The mission of the Senior Nutrition and Health Committee is to promote the health, well-being, and independence of older adults in Ventura County through advocacy, education, collaboration, and support for accessible nutrition and healthy aging services.”

Option #5

“The mission of the Senior Nutrition and Health Committee is to identify needs, advocate for resources, and collaborate with community partners to strengthen nutrition and health services that empower Ventura County older adults to age with dignity and vitality.”

5. **Next meeting date** –The next regular meeting will be held on Wednesday, July 15, 2026, at 12:30 PM – 1:30 PM via Zoom.

Update: As of June 4, 2026, all future meetings will be scheduled from 12-1 PM via Zoom; email invite sent to all committee members.

6. **Adjournment-** Meeting automatically ended at 1:09 PM.

TO: VCAAA Advisory Council Members

FROM: Alisa Sanchez, Assistant to Monique Nowlin

DATE: June 24, 2026

SUBJECT: Inaugural Transition Taskforce Committee Report from June 16, 2026

Committee Members Present:

Stephanie Belding
Brenda Birdwell
Tony Gitt
Maria Munguia
Peggy Parra
Martha Shapiro
Sue Tatangelo

Committee Members Absent:

N/A

Interested Members of the Public Present:

N/A

VCAAA Staff Members Present:

Monique Nowlin (AAA Director)
Alisa Sanchez (AAA Program Assistant)

1. **Welcome-** Inaugural Transition Taskforce Committee Meeting was called to order by Monique Nowlin at 2:30 PM. AAA Director Monique Nowlin is assigned as the staff liaison of this committee. Program Assistant Alisa Sanchez will be assisting by taking notes/minutes of the committee's meetings. The Advisory Council members that reached out for the link to this Inaugural meeting and attended today are Stephanie Belding, Brenda Birdwell, Tony Gitt, Maria Munguia, Peggy Parra, Martha Shapiro and Sue Tatangelo. Advisory Council members can continue to join this committee and be added to the meeting series invite once it goes out for FY 2026-2027.
2. **Public Comments-** N/A
3. **Discuss Purpose & Goals/Mission of Transition Taskforce Committee-** The committee members discussed the need to set forth a mission and goals for this new committee. Committee members proposed possibly reviewing current services and proposed changes, evaluating population and possible risks/gaps.
4. **Voting of Chair & Co-Chair of Transition Taskforce Committee-** The committee discussed the need to vote on a Chair and Co-Chair of this committee. After discussion and voting, Chair of this committee is Martha Shapiro and Co-Chair is Stephanie Belding.
5. **Other Business/Open Forum-** The committee discussed the meeting cadence/series for this committee. This committee will meet on the 3rd Tuesday of every other month in concert with the Advisory Council meeting schedule and schedules of the other subcommittees beginning the start of the new fiscal year in July 2026. Martha plans to send out draft of goals and missions to Alisa to distribute to the committee members and continue discussions on this topic at the next

committee meeting.

6. **Next meeting date** –The Transition Taskforce Committee’s next regular meeting will be held on Tuesday, July 21, 2026, from 2:30 PM – 3:30 PM.
7. **Adjournment-** Meeting adjourned at 3:24 PM.



**VENTURA COUNTY AREA AGENCY ON AGING
ADVISORY COUNCIL MEETING SCHEDULE
FY 2026-2027**

All Advisory Council meetings are held in person.

**All sub-committee meetings are held via
Zoom/TEAMS.**

	Advisory Council	ADRC	Housing & Transportation	Senior Nutrition & Health	Optimal Aging	Workforce	Transition Taskforce
July	Jul 8, 2026 9 - 11 a.m.	Jul 15, 2026 1 - 2 p.m.	Jul 21, 2026 2 – 3 p.m.	Jul 15, 2026 12 – 1 p.m.	Jul 22, 2026 2 – 3 p.m.	Jul 16, 2026 10 – 11 a.m.	Jul 21, 2026 2:30 – 3:30 p.m.
August							
September	Sept 16, 2026* 9 - 11 a.m.	Sept 16, 2026 1 - 2 p.m.	Sept 15, 2026 2 – 3 p.m.	Sept 16, 2026 12 – 1 p.m.	Sept 23, 2026 2 – 3 p.m.	Sept 17, 2026 10 – 11 a.m.	Sept 15, 2026 2:30 – 3:30 p.m.
October							
November	Nov 18, 2026** 9 - 11 a.m.	Nov 18, 2026 1 - 2 p.m.	Nov 17, 2026 2 – 3 p.m.	Nov 18, 2026 12 – 1 p.m.	Nov 25, 2026 2 – 3 p.m.	Nov 19, 2026 10 – 11 a.m.	Nov 17, 2026 2:30 – 3:30 p.m.
December							
January	Jan 13, 2027 9 - 11 a.m.	Jan 20, 2027 1 - 2 p.m.	Jan 19, 2027 2 – 3 p.m.	Jan 20, 2027 12 – 1 p.m.	Jan 27, 2027 2 – 3 p.m.	Jan 21, 2027 10 – 11 a.m.	Jan 19, 2027 2:30 – 3:30 p.m.
February							
March	Mar 10, 2027 9 - 11 a.m.	Mar 17, 2027 1 - 2 p.m.	Mar 16, 2027 2 – 3 p.m.	Mar 17, 2027 12 – 1 p.m.	Mar 24, 2027 2 – 3 p.m.	Mar 18, 2027 10 – 11 a.m.	Mar 16, 2027 2:30 – 3:30 p.m.
April							
May	May 12, 2027 9 - 11 a.m.	May 19, 2027 1 - 2 p.m.	May 18, 2027 2 – 3 p.m.	May 19, 2027 12 – 1 p.m.	May 26, 2027 2 – 3 p.m.	May 20, 2027 10 – 11 a.m.	May 18, 2027 2:30 – 3:30 p.m.
June							

*September AC meeting is off-cadence and will take place on 3rd Wednesday due to scheduling conflict

**November AC meeting is off-cadence and will take place on 3rd Wednesday due to Holiday on November 11th