

**Contra Costa County Advisory Council on Aging (ACOA)  
Senior Mobility Action Council (SMAC) Workgroup  
Tuesday, April 18, 2023 • 10 am to 12 noon**

Call to Order: Jim Donnelly called the meeting to order 10:19 am.

Present (in-person)	Jim Donnelly
Virtual (Just Cause)	
Virtual (Emergency)	
Virtual	Jean Clark, Steve Cox, John Cunningham, Kevin Donovan, Rashida Kamara, Rosa Noya, Joanna Pallock, DeAnna Perry, Debbie Toth, Elaine Welch
Absent	
Leave of Absence	
Guests	
AAA Staff	Glenda Pacha

**Approval of Agenda/Minutes**

- Approve Today’s Agenda –Joanna made a motion to approve the agenda. Rashida seconded the motion. The agenda was unanimously approved.
- Approve March minutes – Joanna made a motion to approve the minutes. Debbie seconded the motion. The minutes were approved unanimously.

**Draft Letter of Support for AB 540**

- Become a two year bill, still meeting, still coordinating with State staff.
- Letter of conceptual support was sent to Buffy Wicks office.
- We will monitor the bill until it is reintroduced in January.
- John explained that there will be substantial changes to the bill when it is reintroduced in January.
- Debbie/John will send updates to Glenda who will forward to SMAC.

**Update to Accessible Transportation Survey**

- Reviewed the current version of the survey.
- Will add a contact info column.
- Working to add other information/areas.
- What areas need more service?
- If there are items that need correction, please tell Jim.

**Program Updates and Announcements**

- Mobility Matters moving on May 1<sup>st</sup> to 1280 Civic Suite 206, Walnut Creek. Phone and emails remain the same
- County Connection – issued an RFP for non-emergency medical transportation trips (e.g. dialysis).
- Tri Delta – conducting a 6 month means-based ADA fare trial. Interested people can call 211 to determine eligibility for free rides. The eligibility is based on housing and urban development income scale. Uber/lyft paratransit Mobility on Demand is very popular

- West CAT – starting travel training back up after COVID.
  - Adding San Pablo pilot trips from (southern) West County to trips to medical facilities for those 65+
  - Anyone who lives in zip code 94806 (which includes county land outside the city limits of San Pablo) is eligible. Initially, they will try to provide rides with existing San Pablo vehicles then supplement with Lyft/Uber/GoGo grandparent as needed.
  - Go Go Joanna! Rashida offered support as the program is developed.
  - Optimistic rollout goal is Fall 2023.
- Steve Cox – San Ramon – 2 van program with pickups and drop off within city limits.
  - Go San Ramon – discounted travel program, \$3 for residents.

#### **Advisory Council on Aging Updates**

- Several new ACOA members from West County do not drive.
- How can we change the Brown Act to allow for zoom attendance?
- Four Year Plan Update – draft survey questions will be shared with SMAC for input.
- Will be seeking SMAC input on the Four Year Plan Goals and Objectives.

#### **Public Comment**

- None

#### **Next Meeting -**

- Tuesday, May 16, 2023
- Note new meeting start time is 10 am (as of April)

#### **Future SMAC Presentations/Agenda Items -**

- Sarah Birdwell will present travel training at the May meeting.

The meeting was adjourned 11:29 am.