

South Bay Cities Council of Governments

Services for Seniors Working Group

Tuesday, March 28, 2017 Meeting Minutes

By Grace Farwell

In Attendance: Jacki Bacharach, SBCCOG; Aaron Baum, SBCCOG; Diane Brown, City of Hawthorne; Norma Burns, PVE-CARES; Colleen Cotter, Palos Verdes Peninsula Village; Alexa Davis, City of Rolling Hills Estates; Ghislaine Davis, City of Torrance Commission on Aging/South Bay Village; Grace Farwell, SBCCOG; Laurie Glover, Silverado Beach Cities; Britt Huff, Chair, City of Rolling Hills Estates Council Member, H.E.L.P.; Michelle Jordan, City of Inglewood; Steve Lantz, SBCCOG; Jane Long, Coast to Coast Seniors; Adriana Mendoza, AARP; Lao Moua, PATH; Mohja Rhodes, SBCCOG; Sylvia Richards, Palos Verdes Library District; Wally Siembab, SBCCOG; Cindy Snodgrass, City of Torrance; Hillary Theyer, Torrance Public Library; Bea Virobik, City of Torrance Commission on Aging/South Bay Village; Fran Wielin, Palos Verdes Peninsula Village; Hope Witkowsky, City of Torrance Senior Scene TV

1. Welcome and Self Introductions
2. Minutes from the January 27, 2017 meeting were approved. Motion made by Ghislaine Davis and seconded by Bea Virobik. Minutes received and filed.
3. Silverado Beach Cities and the City of Redondo Beach – Dementia-Friendly City
Laurie Glover shared the work of Silverado Beach Cities to assist Redondo Beach in becoming a Dementia Friendly Community (see attached document):
 - Redondo Beach would be the first in the South Bay; working with City Council
 - Some of the plans include:
 - Planned training (certificate) for first responders, police chief, fire chief
 - Business would have a sticker in their window to identify “Dementia-friendly” business
 - Laurie will be working with Chamber of Commerce to help implement and promote
 - Once a month businesses that have become “dementia-friendly” will be recognized at City Council with signed certificate
 - Online training will be available as well as in-person training
 - Offer train the trainer and incorporate into new hire orientation
 - Silverado’s certified training
 - Virtual Dementia Tour – go through 5 everyday tasks as person with impairment; offered once a month
 - Hillary Theyer asked if there was a way to provide sensitivity training for library staff, and to offer it independently of Dementia friendly city; perhaps offer Virtual Dementia Tours at libraries
 - Adriana Mendoza asked if this was part of Dementia Friendly America?
Requires commitment from municipalities and counties.



4. Vision of the South Bay in 2030 and Strategies to Get There
Wally Siembab and Mohja Rhodes provided an overview of Land Use and Transportation in the South Bay (see attached document):
- Research began in 2003 with a study looking at 8 different neighborhoods
 - Neighborhood Oriented Development (NOD), adopted in 2010
 - Concept:
 - Mobility – NEV (neighborhood electric vehicle)
 - Mobility – BEV (battery electric vehicle)
 - Land Use – Marine Avenue re-development simulation
 - South Bay Sustainability Strategy, adopted in 2010
 - Industrial/manufacturing is on its way out; retail business is next
 - Retail space will be available and will be converted to residential
 - Need network service; high speed broadband
 - Develop Smart City
 - Example of new wave of transportation in Manhattan Beach
 - Downtowner
 - Uses smart phone
 - NEV; currently free rides (but tip the driver)
 - Pilot project – trying to extend it
 - City of Manhattan Beach stores NEVs in parking garage
 - Funded by advertising on vans
 - Will invite Downtowner to come to a future meeting
 - Neighborhood Center at major intersections
 - Reorganize current density
 - Mobility Issues
 - Electrify all passenger vehicles
 - LUVs (local use vehicles) are key
 - Slow speed network
 - Impact on older adults
 - Potential to continue driving
 - Safer from accidents
 - Questions:
 - What are technology needs of senior community?

5. PATH Homeless Update
Lao Moua provided an update and report:

June 2016-March 1, 2017

122 total registered clients

City	55 + Client Registered
Carson	39 (1)
Gardena	4 (2)
Harbor Gateway	5 (4)
Hawthorne	3 (3)
Hermosa Beach	1
Inglewood	6 (4)
Lawndale	5



Lomita	2 (2)
Manhattan Beach	2
Redondo Beach	30 (7)
San Pedro	4 (3)
Torrance	16 (1)
West Carson	3 (3)
Wilmington	2
Total	122 (30)

Note: () Registration Increase from 12.01.2016-03.01.2017

24 (6) Senior Clients Permanently Housed (55+)

- Shared Housing
- SSI / Pension (Source of Income)

PATH Outreach Hotline Report:

4.27.16-2.28.17

	Total calls	Total days	Average calls per day	Type of Caller					Avg. response time
				Individual	Agency/ Business	City/ gov't official	Law Enforcement	Other	
4.27 – 2.28	1714	280	6.12	71%	12%	1%	2%	14%	50 hours

6. Legislative Update

- Assembly Member Mike Gipson's office provided information on AB 286 – Medi-Cal: beneficiary needs: home upkeep allowances: transitional person needs funds (see attached document)

7. Update on Purposeful Aging Los Angeles Initiative

Adriana Mendoza provided an update:

- Launched almost 1 year ago (May 2016)
- 5-year plan commitment
- Survey launched last week – 2 phases
 - City / County employees (~100,000 employees)
 - External audiences
 - Requesting feedback on 8 domains of livability
- AARP 8 domains of livability
 - Outdoor Spaces and Buildings
 - Transportation
 - Housing
 - Social Participation
 - Respect and Social Inclusion
 - Civic Participation and Employment
 - Communication and Information
 - Community and Health Services
- AARP will be conducting Listening Sessions
 - 2 areas per Supervisorial District
 - District 2 – Baldwin Hills



- District 4 – Long Beach and Torrance (SBCCOG is working with AARP to schedule a Listening Session)
- 30-35 people per each Listening Session, facilitated by AARP staff
- Goal is to have all Listening Sessions completed by June

8. Announcements

- Adriana Mendoza announced the 1st Annual Older Adult Summit will be held on April 12th at the Cathedral of Our Lady of Angels in Los Angeles

9. Next meeting

- **Tuesday, May 23, 2017 @ 9:30 am**

