



CARA Alert – February 5, 2018

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MEDICARE FOR ALL RALLY AND HEARING!!! WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 7TH / 9AM RALLY – NORTH STEPS / 10AM HEARING

Please try to attend this very important Select Committee on Universal Health Care hearing on health care, when SB 562 (the Healthy CA Act) will finally be heard! Hopefully, you have already signed up for a bus to attend this event, or you are planning to meet us at the Capitol by 9:30am on the North Steps. The hearing will begin at 10am in Room 4202. The nurses are providing snacks and lunch will be served on the North Steps at noon (the committee will take a short lunch break).

For those of you in L.A. County (and Southern CA), there is a simultaneous event being scheduled at Speaker Rendon's office. Please join us. It is a press event/tug of war, followed by a Select Committee Watch Party. See below for the LA event and the Select Committee details.

Tug O' War for Future of Healthcare SB 562 –

Which side is Speaker Rendon On? (Los Angeles Area)

RSVP Link: <http://bit.ly/2BwbMJd>

Facebook event: <https://www.facebook.com/events/566430707052951/>

DATE: Wednesday, February 7, 2018

WHEN: Noon - 2:00pm (until 6pm for Select Committee Watch Party)

WHERE: Assemblymember Anthony Rendon's District Office, 12132 Garfield Ave, South Gate, California 90280

Bus Locations & Routes for Feb. 7th Select Committee on Health Care Hearing in Sacramento:

You MUST RSVP for a seat by calling CARA at 510-663-4086 OR signing up online at www.bit.ly/sb562-jan17-rsvp

GRASS VALLEY - AUBURN (ADA) 50 Passenger bus

- STOP 1: Departs @ 7:05am Kmart, [111 W McKnight Way, Grass Valley CA](#)
- STOP 2: Departs @ 7:40am Burger & Cream, [403 Grass Valley HWY, Auburn CA](#)
- STOP 3: Departs @ 8:10am United Domestic Workers, [4220 Rocklin Rd, Rocklin CA](#)

OAKLAND - BERKELEY (ADA) 50 Passenger bus

- STOP 1: Departs @ 6:50am from CNA Headquarters, [250 22nd Street, Oakland CA](#)
- STOP 2: Departs @ 7:20am from Ed Roberts Campus across from Ashby Bart, [3075 Adeline St, Berkeley CA](#)

SAN JOSE - WALNUT CREEK (ADA) 50 Passenger bus

- STOP 1: Departs @ 6:15am from South Bay Labor Council, [2102 Almaden Rd, San Jose, CA](#)
- STOP 2: Departs @ 7:30am from Walnut Creek Bart: [200 Ygnacio Valley Rd, Walnut Creek, CA](#)

SAN FRANCISCO - RICHMOND (ADA) 50 Passenger bus

- STOP 1: Departs @ 6:50am from San Francisco Public Library, [150 Fulton Street, SF CA](#)
- STOP 2: Departs @ 7:30am from Target, [4500 MacDonald Ave, Richmond CA](#)

FRESNO/MODESTO - STOCKTON (ADA) 50 Passenger bus

- STOP 1: Departs @ 5:10am from Old Mervyn's, [4150 N Blackstone Ave, Fresno CA](#)
- STOP 2: Departs @ 7:00am from CVS, [2020 W Briggsmore Ave, Modesto, CA](#)
- STOP 3: Departs @ 7:40am from Clarion Hotel, [4219 East Waterloo Rd, Stockton, CA](#)

SAN LUIS OBISPO (24 passenger bus) not ADA

- STOP 1: Departs @ 3:10am from Home Depot Parking [Lot: 1551 Froom Ranch Way, San Luis Obispo, CA](#)



Take Action to Take Back our Country in 2018

Become a Senior Ambassador!

- **The 2018 elections could decide the future of programs that seniors depend upon** – especially Medicare, Medicaid and Social Security. The current national leadership has made cuts and privatization of these programs a top priority – in fact they have already started making these cuts with more to come. Unfortunately, several of our California Congressmembers have voted to support these plans. We must let them know that seniors and our families, regardless of

party preference, will not vote for someone who votes to support these devastating cuts to these essential, popular American programs.

- **CARA's Seniors Vote 2018 is targeting 5 Congressional races** where the incumbents continue to vote to dismantle our social insurance programs – programs that we paid for. We know that seniors could be the deciding votes in these districts (seniors comprise almost 50% of the regular voters in these districts in mid-term elections). Many of these senior voters are isolated, and don't get a lot of information besides what they see on television, hear on the radio, or read in their mail. They vote for incumbents because they recognize their name, have voted for them before, or hear and see their name on advertisements, etc. Many of these voters do not even know that the people they elected are voting to cut the programs that they love and need.
- **CARA's Seniors Vote 2018 will recruit seniors throughout California to "adopt a list" of 20 seniors in one of these key Congressional districts** to call on a regular basis (3-5 times over the year). They will provide important information to help these voters make more informed decisions using candidate answers to questionnaires, scorecards, etc. CARA will not endorse a candidate, but our callers will help provide information so that these seniors can make more informed decisions.
- **Our goal is to talk to up to 10,000 senior voters in the 5 targeted Congressional districts.** We will need hundreds if not thousands of seniors to call a list of 20 people throughout the year (5 times max). This is where you and your friends, family, colleagues, and neighbors come in.
- **Please sign up today to be a Senior Phone Ambassador.** We can take back our country and elect representatives who represent the interests of seniors and our families if we all join the CARA Senior Vote Project. Fill out our Seniors Vote 2018 – Take Action Card today. **You can click [here](#) to download the form** or call the CARA office if you want to sign up or need more information at 877-223-6107 (toll free).

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