



CARA Alert – June 26, 2020

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BLACK LIVES MATTER

BUDGET VICTORY– FOR NOW.....

We did it! The Governor agreed to keep the programs important to seniors and people with disabilities in the budget, for now..... but with the stipulation that we will revisit these and other cuts after reviewing the states' July 15th revenues, and getting other revenue measures passed like the federal HEROES Act (that will bring billions to the states), and other revenue measures which are being considered.

It took each of you who made calls, sent emails, signed letters, and more to convince the Governor that the programs on the chopping block are essential – and saving lives – especially in this moment with COVID 19 surging in California. We must continue to monitor the situation, and advocate for new revenues to avoid future cuts. Our advocacy works and it must continue!

REGISTER FOR OUR JULY 31st CELEBRATION & TOWN HALL

***Protect, Improve, and Expand Medicare, Medicaid, Social Security,
U.S. Postal Service, ADA and Women's Right to Vote***

Register at July31.cara@gmail.com

In late July and early August, our country will be celebrating the anniversaries of some of these most important programs for seniors and people with disabilities. Many of these programs keep us alive and healthy, especially in this time of COVID 19. Please join CARA on **July 31st at 12 noon** for a celebration, town hall, and Call to Action. This will be a Zoom meeting and will feature guest speakers, music, a flash mob (in our chairs) and more. You must rsvp to CARA at July31.cara@gmail.com

CARA has developed some signs celebrating these programs. You can start the celebration today by printing these signs (in either [black and white](#) or in [color](#)) and decorating your home, car, lawn, etc.



CARA Senior Vote/Regional Conventions Going Virtual Register Today!! [Click here](#)

CARA is sponsoring 14 Senior Vote conventions in September and October of this year. Due to the surge in Covid-19 cases in California and the reality that many of our pre-arranged venues will not be open for large gatherings, nor will it be safe for us to participate in group events of this type in person, CARA has decided that all 14 of our Senior Vote Conventions will be held virtually - via ZOOM/Teleconference.

You must register for these events and pay the registration fee. CARA will MAIL you the materials for the event, plus some surprises, including a gift card for a lunch at a future date. There are scholarships available if you cannot afford the registration – just check that box on the registration form. T

Each event will have keynote speakers, candidates running for key offices in that area, presentation on the state ballot measures, and lots of fun and games.

You must register in advance for these events. **Click on these logos for more information.**



CARA ON LINE APPEAL EXCEEDS OUR GOAL!!

Thank you to everyone who donated to CARA for our June 16th on-line appeal. We hoped to raise \$2500 in this appeal – and we raised close to \$4000!!!! These funds will help us fund our Senior Vote Program and Regional Conventions this summer and fall.

SCHOOLS & COMMUNITIES FIRST: SENIOR TO SENIOR PHONE BANKS TO START IN JULY

Now that SCF has officially qualified for the November Ballot, we must begin talking to seniors about this important measure that will bring over \$12 **billion** back to our local communities and schools by making corporations pay their fair share. We need YOU to call senior voters in your county to let them know that this measure will help their communities, and encourage them to vote YES. If you are willing to call a list of seniors in your area (we will provide a script, the list, and any materials you need),

please email us with your name, email address, phone number and which county you wish to call. Send this information to jreid.cara@gmail.com. Thank you.

Get Social With CARA. Did you know that CARA is on Facebook? Learn about our local activities and meetings, town halls and about other news affecting retirees. **[Be sure to like our CARA Facebook page here.](#)** Make sure your friends and family like this page too. Help retirees build power by liking CARA's Facebook page. Every like and share helps spread our message.

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