CARA Celebration and Call to Action for:
USPS - 245 years (July 1)
Older Americans Act – 55 years (July 14)
ADA – 30 years (July 26)
Medicare and Medicaid – 55 years (July 30)
Voting Rights Act – 55 years (August 6)
Social Security - 85 years (August 14)
Women’s Right to Vote – 100 years (August 26)

FRIDAY, JULY 31ST AT 12 NOON -1:30pm – ZOOM MEETING
Rsvp to: July31.cara@gmail.com to get zoom information

Given the continual drumbeat by the President and members of the GOP, to cut, privatize, defund, and ignore these important programs, we see their anniversaries this year as an opportunity to celebrate these essential programs and fight against these constant attacks. With the November 2020 elections before us, these anniversaries offer an opportunity to highlight their importance and to educate voters on where candidates stand on these issues.

CARA is sponsoring a Zoom/Teleconference on July 31st from noon – 1:30pm to Celebrate these programs and Take Action against proposals to cut, privatize, and undermine these programs.

**Here is the Agenda:**

11:55-12:05 Music/ Celebrate by Kool and the Gang playing as folks are admitted to the meeting.

12:05pm Welcome and Introduction by Emcees: Margaret Shelleda and Sandra Johnson

12:08pm A moment to remember and celebrate these programs – in the context of COVID, racial injustice, proposed budget cuts, etc.

12:20pm Why we celebrate these anniversaries, and pledge to fight to protect these programs: Presentations will include the history of the program, what it has achieved, what we must do to protect and improve it. The presentation will be 7 minutes followed by a personal testimonial by a CARA member about its’ importance to them.

12:20pm Medicare/Medicaid: Fernando Torres Gil, UCLA School of Public Policy
Testimonial: Judy Jackson
12:30pm  Flash mob to Respect (sitting down) – Kathe Burick, City college of SF Dance Instructor
(WE WILL ASK EVERYONE TO WEAR A HAT - ITS PART OF THE
CHOREOGRAPHY)

12:40pm  USPS: Omar Gonzalez, APWU Western Regional Director
Testimonial: Tish Ochoa, CARA Treasurer, Retired Postal Worker

12:50pm  ADA: Andy Imparato, Exec. Director of Disability Rights CA
Testimonial: Janie Whiteford, CARA Vice President and President of CICA

1:00pm  100 years of Women’s Right to Vote/ 55-year anniversary of Voting Rights Act:
Diana Madoshi, CARA V.P and Women’s History Project

1:05pm  Song by Pulp Vixen

1:10pm  Social Security: Nancy Altman
Testimonial: Pauline Brooks, CARA V.P., SEIU Retiree

1:20pm  Call to Action: Hene Kelly, CARA Legislative Director

   i.  **Call your US Congressmember and Senator** – Protect and Improve these
       Programs:  **866-828-4162**
   ii. **Print a sign** from CARA’s website and hang on your door, window, car – where
       ever it can be seen
   iii. **Register for one of CARA’s Senior Vote Town Halls this fall**
   iv. **VOLUNTEER for CARA’s Senior Vote program** and call older voters in your
       area and encourage them to vote, complete the census, etc.
   v. **See ARA toolkit for other ideas and actions on CARA website**

1:30pm  Adjourn