



CARA Alert – September 1, 2020

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CARA Senior Vote Forums in September/October are Virtual and FREE!

Registration Deadline TODAY (Sept.1) for events thru Sept. 23rd

Registration Deadline Sept 15th for events after Sept. 23rd

CARA is sponsoring 14 Senior Vote Forums in September and October of this year. All of these Forums will be held virtually - via ZOOM/Teleconference and they will be FREE. **You must register for these events.** CARA will MAIL you the materials for the event, the ZOOM link and teleconference number, plus some surprises.

You can register online OR you can email cynthial.cara@gmail.com with your NAME, ADDRESS, EMAIL AND WHICH EVENT(s) you want to attend and you will be registered!

Alameda	Tuesday, Sept. 8	Janny Castillo, St. Mary's Center	<i>AD 20, BOS 1, Reps. Lee & Swalwell (invited), Assessor La</i>
Placer	Wed. Sept. 9	Kevin Prindiville, Justice in Aging	<i>CD 4, AD 6, SD 1</i>
San Francisco <i>With SDA</i>	Thursday, Sept. 10	Supervisor Candidates for Districts 1, 5, 7, 11	<i>SD 11</i>
Contra Costa/Solano	Monday, Sept. 14	Sup of Education Tony Thurmond Rep. Mark DeSaulnier (invited) Senator Nancy Skinner Supervisor John Gioia Supervisor Monica Brown	<i>Elected officials on the state of the country, state, county</i>
Sonoma	Wednesday, Sept. 16	Congressman Mike Thompson Senator Mike McGuire, Supervisor Lynda Hopkins & Alicia Sanchez	<i>Elected officials on the state of the country, state, county</i>
Redding/5 county	Friday, Sept. 18	Kim McCoy Wade, CA. Dept on Aging	<i>CD 1, AD 1, SD 1</i>
Central Valley	Monday, Sept 21	State Controller Betty Yee	<i>CD 10, SD 5 AD 12, 13, 21</i>
Fresno and Bakersfield	Wednesday, Sept 23	Senator Melissa Hurtado	<i>CD 16, 21, 22, 23 AD 31, AD 32, AD 34</i>
Santa Clara <i>With FORUM</i>	Thursday, Sept. 24	Senator Jim Beall	<i>AD 25, SD 15 Sup Dist. 3 S.J. City Council 6</i>

Orange	Wednesday, Sept. 30	Ada Briceno, Unite/Here	<i>CD 39, 45, 48</i>
Inland Empire	Thursday, Oct. 1	Deborah Robertson, Rialto Mayor	<i>CD 8</i>
San Diego	Friday, Oct. 2	Assemblywoman Lorena Gonzalez Supervisor Nathan Fletcher	<i>CD 49, 50</i>
Los Angeles	Monday, Oct. 5	Ron Herrera, L.A. County Federation of Labor Supervisor Hilda Solis	<i>CD 25 District Attorney BOS #2</i>
Marin	Tuesday, October 6	Congressman Jared Huffman Assemlblymember Marc Levine	<i>Eli Gelardin, MCIL Drs. Matt Willis/Lisa Santoro, MDPH</i>

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MASTER PLAN ON AGING FINAL MEETING – SEPTEMBER 15TH

The CA Master Plan on Aging will be holding its' FINAL meeting on September 15th from 10am to 12pm and then from 1pm-3pm. This will be the last time to share your thoughts and suggestions for the plan before it is presented to the Administration and Governor. Public comment will be taken via chat and verbally at the end of each section.

Master Plan on Aging - Stakeholder Advisory Committee Meeting

When: Tue, September 15, 10am – 3pm (lunch break 12-1pm)

Where:

<https://zoom.us/j/91208319603?pwd=OXBpaXphN0kyd2F2Qm0zcHd5a3p5QT09>

Password: 357

Call-in: Toll-Free Phone: (888) 788-0099 Meeting ID: 912 0831 9603

If you cannot join the meeting on Sept. 15th, you can send your comments and recommendations for the Master Plan on Aging to Engage@aging.ca.gov

CALIFORNIA LEGISLATIVE SESSION ENDS – ON TO THE GOVERNOR

The CA legislature ended the 2020 legislative session at midnight on August 31st. Any bills that did not pass both houses by this deadline are dead for this session. With a shortened schedule this year due to COVID-19, many bills were pulled and will need to be introduced next year. Those bills that did pass both houses will move on to the Governor – and he will have until Sept. 30th to sign or veto these bills.

Unfortunately, several of our top priority bills that would bring in billions of dollars of much needed revenue to the state – AB 1253 (Santiago) which would tax income over 1 million, and AB 2088 (Bonta) – which would create a wealth tax both needed a 2/3 vote in both houses and failed to get that, so these proposals are dead for now.

Another key bill that CARA was following was AB 1436 (Chiu) would have extended eviction and foreclosure protections throughout the pandemic due to loss of employment and income. It also provided some financial support to landlords so they could continue to pay their bills and mortgage. This bill needed 2/3 and did not have the support, and at the last minute the Governor stepped in and helped to negotiate a compromise bill (AB 3088 – Chiu). This new bill is FAR from what we wanted, but does provide some additional protections, though could threaten existing local ordinances and protections depending on when they were enacted. To see a summary of this bill, go to: <https://caanet.org/app/uploads/2020/08/COVID-19-Relief-Act-Explainer-Final.pdf>

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