



A G E N D A

Orange County Older Adults Advisory Commission

Friday, February 13, 2026

9:30 A.M.

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Location:

County Operations Data Center
Main Conference Room
1400 S. Grand Ave.
Santa Ana CA 92705

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1. CALL TO ORDER: Chair, Rachel Owens
2. INSPIRATION: Commissioner, Lynette Fujitani
3. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Commissioner, Lynette Fujitani
4. ROLL CALL: Secretary, Ken Higman
5. PUBLIC COMMENTS:
At this time, members of the public may address the Commission regarding any items within the subject jurisdiction, provided that no action is taken on off-agenda items unless authorized by law. (Comments shall be limited to three (3) minutes, unless the Chair pre-identifies a different time at the start of meeting for all public speakers).
6. INTRODUCTIONS: Chair, Rachel Owens
7. PRESENTATIONS:

Aging Programs and Services
Claudia Harris, Director, Strategic Initiatives – Aging Services
Orange County Office on Aging
8. DISCUSSION ITEMS:
 - A. 2026-2027 OAAC Goals and Objectives Ad-Hoc Committee Updates
 - B. New OAAC Orientation Packet
9. ACTION ITEMS:
 - A. 2026-2027 OAAC Goals & Objectives
Recommendation: Discuss, adopt, and present the 2026-2027 OAAC Goals and Objectives to the Orange County Board of Supervisors.
10. OC OFFICE ON AGING UPDATES: Claudia Harris, Director, Strategic Initiatives – Aging Services
11. CHAIR REPORT: Chair, Rachel Owens
12. SENIOR CENTER AND CITY LIAISON UPDATES: All Commission Members
13. ANNOUNCEMENTS: All Commission Members
14. ADJOURNMENT

Next OAAC Full Commission Meeting

March 13, 2026 – 9:30 a.m.

OAAC Executive Committee

February 27, 2026 – 9:30 a.m.

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2026-2027 Goals and Objectives

In support of the Orange County Master Plan on Aging (OC MPA) Priority Initiatives, the Older Adults Advisory Commission (OAAC) is establishing specific tasks to support the three priority initiatives:

1. Housing Security
2. Public Information and Resource Campaign
3. Enhanced Care Coordination

Goal 1: Information Access

- ***Promote community services for older adults and caregivers to boost awareness and access.***
 - a. Collaborate with the Office on Aging (OoA) to distribute readily available information on County, State, Federal, and non-profit services that enhance older adult's lives.
 - b. Promote OoA's Monthly Newsletter:
 - i. Launch a campaign to expand email subscriptions toward reaching older adults.
 - ii. Improve newsletter content by gathering and submitting updates from senior centers, libraries, and community events to the OoA to increase usability.
 - iii. Expand outreach to older adults via collaborations with senior centers, faith-based groups, libraries, healthcare partners, and public sector agencies and utilities.
 - iv. Support ongoing social media promotion and campaigns that highlight available programs and services.

Goal 2: Aging in Place

- ***Promote resources that support older adults to age safely and independently at home.***
 - a. Assist the County in developing a coordinated home-sharing program that matches older adults' homeowners with available spare rooms with individuals in need of affordable accommodations:
 - i. Planning: Research national best practices and engage stakeholders to design program guidelines, including rigorous background screening and matching criteria.
 - ii. Implementation: Support the process of securing sustainable funding and launching targeted outreach to help identify potential participants.
 - iii. Operations: Advocate for the future development of standardized agreements that clearly define household responsibilities and provide a formal process for dispute resolution.
 - b. Compile and promote resources for financial assistance and caregivers supporting older adults.
 - c. Participate in RFP evaluation panels for aging service contracts administered by the County to provide subject matter expert input.

To accomplish our Goals OAAC recommends the following:

- Form an Ad Hoc committee to determine OAAC's Key Performance Indicators (KPIs), metrics, and success criteria.
- Form an Ad Hoc committee to explore Home Share options.
- Participate in RFP evaluation panels for aging services.
- Participate in the OC MPA Action Teams that support the MPA Initiatives.

Welcome to the Older Adults Advisory Commission Orientation Packet 2026

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