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AGENDA

CONTRA COSTA COUNTY Advisory Council on Aging

Monday, October 20, 2025

10:00 AM

500 Ellinwood Way, Pleasant Hill, CA Classroom

Housing Committee https://cccounty-us.zoom.us/j/81296954794

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10:00 Call To Order / Welcome – Kevin Donovan, Chair

Introductions

Review/Approve: Agenda and Minutes

Housing 09-15-25 DRAFT Minutes

25-4312

Attachments: Housing 09-15-25 DRAFT Minutes

- 10:10 Update Federal Budget and Housing Impact Janessa Oriol, District Director, Office of Congressman DeSaulnier
- 10:20 Presentation: Khayla Digiorgio, Policy & Government Affairs Manager, Hope Solutions
- 11:05 Update: "No Place to Call Home" Outreach Presentations Kevin Donovan, Marilyn Fowler
- 11:15 Update: Home Match Logan Robertson, Director, Home Match Contra Costa
- 11:20 Review: Year-End Report Kevin Donovan

Housing Committee 2025 Report Draft# 19-232025

25-4020

Attachments: Housing Committee 2025 Report Draft# 19-232025

11:30 Update: Support Letter for Fast Track Housing Package – Kevin Donovan

11:35 Information Sharing

11:50 Plan Next Meeting

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CONTRA COSTA COUNTY

1025 ESCOBAR STREET MARTINEZ, CA 94553

Staff Report



CONTRA COSTA COUNTY

Committee Meeting Minutes - Draft

Advisory Council on Aging

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10:00 Call To Order / Welcome – Kevin Donovan, Chair

Committee Members Present: Kevin Donovan (Chair), Roger Boaz, Michelle Hayes, Marilyn Fowler, (ACOA); Uche Uwahemu (Co-Chair, Center for Elders' Independence); Victoria Snyder (Contra Costa Senior Legal Services); Logan Robertson (Front Porch – Home Match)

Introductions

Review/Approve: Agenda and Minutes

Present Roger Boaz, Kevin Donovan, Marilyn Fowler, Michelle Hayes,

Logan Robertson, Victoria Snyder, and Uche Uwahemu

08.18.25 Draft Minutes 25-3753

Attachments: 08.18.25 Draft Minutes

Motion: Fowler Second: Robertson

Aye: Boaz, Donovan, Fowler, Hayes, Robertson, Snyder, and

Uwahemu

Result: Passed

10:10 Presentation: Bay Area Eviction Study – Alex Werth, Research Consultant for Raise the Roof Coalition and Bay Area Housing Finance Authority (BAHFA)

Purpose: To address the lack of data and establish a dataset for regional comparisons.

- The study was completed in summer 2025.
- The first round of findings was published in July 2025.
- Additional data, including county-specific information, will be available in October.

Legal Eviction Filings in Contra Costa:

- Filings declined by 75% during the pandemic.
- Following the end of protections, filings surged to 33% above pre-pandemic levels.
- This increase may reflect a backlog of cases as well as households that never fully recovered from the pandemic.

Eviction Filing Rates:

- East County and West County communities recorded the highest eviction filing rates, particularly in Antioch, Pittsburg, San Pablo, Rodeo, and Pinole. These rates were among the highest in the Bay Area.
- 42% of filings resulted in a default judgment against the tenant. This trend generally correlates with lower levels of tenant assistance, including access to legal services.

Tenant Legal Services (TLS) in Contra Costa:

- Four legal services agencies were survey: Contra Costa Senior Legal Services, Bay Area Legal Aid, Eviction Defense Center, and Centro Legal De La Raza.
- In fiscal year 2023-2024, TLS providers had a combined 11 FTE attorneys doing eviction defense.
 - This represents the third lowest ratio of attorneys to eviction filings in the Bay Area.

Cities and Counties Investment in TLS:

- In fiscal year 2024–2025, local governments spent \$1.2 million on tenant legal services (TLS).
 - This equals approximately \$16 per low-income household.
- This represents the fourth highest ratio in the Bay Area of spending to low-income renter households.
 - 88% (\$1 million) of the funding came from the County's Measure X Housing Fund.
- Most cities do not contribute funding for tenant legal services, apart from Richmond and Antioch.

See attachment to view Alex Werth's presentation.

Presentation to Council on Aging 9-15-25

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Attachments: Presentation to Council on Aging 9-15-25

Evictions in the Nine County Bay Area - BAHFA 7-27-2025

25-3744

Attachments: Evictions in the Nine County Bay Area - BAHFA 7-27-2025

Tenant Legal Services July 2025 - BAHFA 7-27-2025

25-3745

Attachments: Tenant Legal Services July 2025 - BAHFA 7-27-2025

- 11:10 Update: "No Place to Call Home" Outreach Presentations Kevin Donovan
 - Kevin Donovan and Nhang Luong did a presentation to the East County Senior Coalition. There were about 20 attendees.
 - Marilyn Fowler is scheduled to present to the Concord Rotary Club on October 22.
- 11:15 Update: Home Match Logan Robertson, Director, Home Match Contra Costa
 - There are currently 15 rooms available for rent 9 in West County and 6 in Central County.
 - A Home Match program is set to open in Santa Clara County.
- 11:20 Discuss: Support letter for Fast Track Housing Package Kevin Donovan
 - Motion: Marilyn Fowler moved to approve the support letter for the Fast Track Housing Package. The motion was seconded by Uche Uwahemu and approved unanimously.

Fast Track Housing Packet Letter 9-6 (004)

25-3746

Attachments: Fast Track Housing Packet Letter 9-6 (004)

Motion: Fowler Second: Uwahemu

Aye: Boaz, Donovan, Fowler, Hayes, Robertson, Snyder, and

Uwahemu

Result: Passed

- 11:30 Information Sharing
 - Senior safety summit at the Richmond Auditorium on September 25.
 - An announcement regarding Consolidated Housing Homeless Funds and Measure X funds will be coming soon.
 - Health Expo Concord Oct. 9, from 9 a.m. 12 p.m.
- 11:50 Next Meeting: Monday, October 20, 10 a.m. 12 p.m.

Adjourn

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1025 ESCOBAR STREET MARTINEZ, CA 94553

Staff Report

File #: 25-4020 Agenda Date: 10/20/2025 Agenda #:

Housing Committee Roster

	Organization
Kevin Donovan, Chair	Danville Commission on Aging
Uche Uwahemu, Co-Chair	Center for Elders' Independence
Roger Boaz	Resources for Older Americans and Retirees (ROAR)
Marilyn Fowler	Concord Commission on Aging
Michelle Hayes	Richmond Commission on Aging
Logan Robertson	Front Porch – Home Match
Victoria Snyder	Contra Costa Senior Legal Services

EHSD staff member Nhang Long strongly supported the Committee throughout 2025.

Housing Committee Goals:

- Supports initiatives that address the shortage of adequate and affordable housing for older adults in Contra Costa County.
- Advocates for legislation that promotes the development and preservation of low-cost housing for older adults.
- Provides educational outreach to local officials, commissions on aging, and the community to raise awareness about housing issues affecting older adults.

Accomplishments

2025's Committee's focus was on continuing to provide a forum for the discussion of current housing trends, challenges impacting housing availability and affordability as well as the ongoing issue of homelessness. Additionally, the Committee provided advocacy for pending legislation and information to increase community awareness of the challenges facing low-income seniors and the disabled.

The Committee actively presented the "No Place to Call Home" infographic and slide deck throughout the County. During 2025 the Committee presented the slide deck to eleven separate groups throughout the County.

Committee meetings became a venue for housing focused groups, representatives of state legislators and county staff to share information and advocate for specific programs. During 2025 twelve presentations were made to the Committee.

2026 Work Plan

The "No Place to Call Home" infographic and slide deck will be updated and revised as needed. The primary goal of the 2026 work plan will be to present the slide deck and infographic to groups throughout the county. We will continue to provide a forum for the discussion of housing and homeless issues and as requested provide support for the MPA Impact Committee's local playbook. Legislation impacting affordable housing and homelessness in Sacramento will continue to be monitored and support letters will be issued when warranted.