

# Assessing Progress:

## *First Year “Wins” for California’s Master Plan for Aging*

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# For Today

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- 1. Background and Context:  
Crisis brings Opportunity**
- 2. Year 1 of the Master Plan for Aging:  
Assessing Progress**
- 3. Where We Go From Here (Our Work Isn't Done!)**

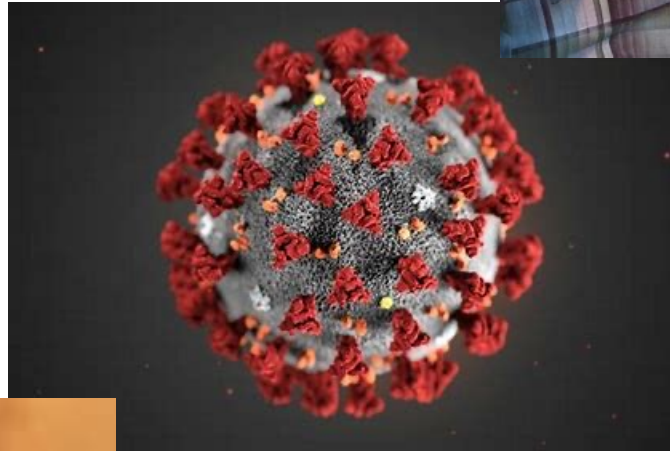
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# **Background and Context:**

## **Crisis brings Opportunity**

# Crisis...

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# ...And Opportunity



Investments in HCBS



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# **Year 1 of the Master Plan for Aging: Assessing Progress**

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# Year 1 of the Master Plan for Aging:



## Historic Investments and a Strong Start

# Assessing Progress Across the Five Bold Goals



**Housing for All  
Stages & Ages**



**Health  
Reimagined**



**Inclusion & Equity,  
Not Isolation**



**Caregiving That  
Works**



**Affording Aging**





# Goal 1: Housing

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- Project Roomkey and Homekey
- Community Care Expansion (Board and Care/RCFEs)
- Community-Based Residential Continuum Pilots
- HomeSafe Expansion
- Housing and Disability Advocacy Program
- Adult Family Homes Pilot
- Housing and Homeless Incentive Program (Managed Care)

# Goal 2/Health Care

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- Medi-Cal for Undoc. Adults 50+
- Eliminate Medi-Cal Asset Test
- Alzheimer's Prevention and Preparedness
- Office of Medicare Innovation & Integration
- Telehealth Flexibilities
- Geriatric Workforce Training
- HICAP Modernization

# Goal 2/ LTSS & HCBS

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- In Home Supportive Services
- Multipurpose Senior Services Program (MSSP)
- Aging and Disability Resource Centers
- Assisted Living Waiver – Eliminate the Waitlist
- Alzheimer's Day Care Resource Centers
- Older Adult Resiliency and Recovery
- LTSS Data Transparency

# Goal 3: Inclusion and Elder Justice

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- APS Expansion
- Office of the LTC Patient Representative
- Access to Technology for Older Adults & Adults with Disabilities
- Improving Language Access Services
- Elder and Disability Justice Coordinating Council

# Goal 4: Caregiver Workforce

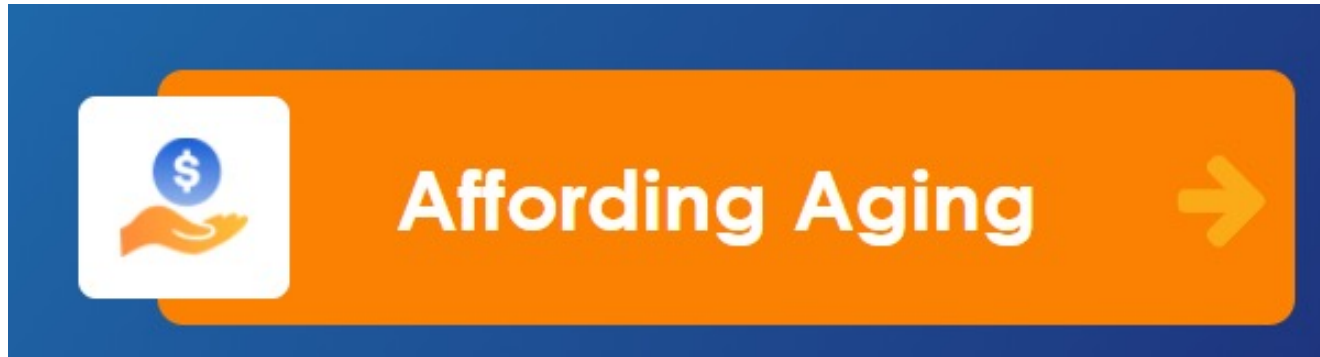
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- Building Career Pathways
- Direct Care Workforce Training and Stipends (non IHSS)
- IHSS and Non-IHSS Care Economy Payments
- Home and Community-Based Clinical Workforce
- Expansion of TBI Program
- Caregiver Resource Centers

# Goal 5: Economic and Food Security

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- SSI/SSP Grant Increase
- Senior Nutrition Program
- CalFresh – Streamlined Application Process
- CA Food Assistance Program – Future Expansion

# State Leadership

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- Governor's Senior Advisor on Aging, Disability and Alzheimer's
- MPA Implementation/ Department of Aging



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# **Where Do We Go From Here?**

## **(Our Work Isn't Done!)**



# Identifying Opportunity

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- Fighting Poverty
- HCBS Access for All
- Infrastructure Development
- Accessible Transportation
- Housing
- ...And More



# Considerations:

## Building a Plane While Flying It



- State and local capacity
- Planning and implementation
- Time considerations

# Next Steps

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- Engage in local implementation
- Identify areas for continued improvement
- Strategize and coordinate messages with stakeholders
- Communicate need to state and legislature

# For more information

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- The SCAN Foundation Budget/HCBS Spending Plan Overview: [Summary of the California Enacted 2021-22 Budget and Home- and Community-Based Services Spending Plan](#)
- Department of Finance: [www.ebudget.ca.gov](http://www.ebudget.ca.gov)
- Dept. of Aging: Budget/Spending Plan Overview: <https://www.aging.ca.gov/download.ashx?lE0rcNUV0zamquGeyM2ETg%3d%3d>
- Dept. of Health Care Services: HCBS Spending Plan: <https://www.dhcs.ca.gov/Documents/DHCS-HCBS-Spending-Plan-Web-Package-7-12-21.pdf>

## Our Vision:

A society where older adults can access health and supportive services of their choosing to meet their needs.

## Our Mission:

To advance a coordinated and easily navigated system of high-quality services for older adults that preserve dignity and independence.



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