

Senior Services Coalition of Alameda County

19 Year Presence as a Unifying & Collaborative Force in Alameda County

Our Mandate

- Champion reliable and relevant funding for senior services
- Advocate for policy change that ensures seniors' economic security
- Advance policy and innovations that embrace community-based services as powerful determinants of health

What We Have Done Together

INVESTMENTS SECURED



\$900,000 + increase to service contracts administered by the Area Agency on Aging (2014 and 2015)

\$63,000 backfill to Federal sequester cuts to Older Americans Act services (2014)

\$280,000 backfill to federal sequester cuts to Older Americans Act services (2013)

\$70,000 secured to build HICAP capacity (2013)

\$80,000+ a year in foundation grants to support the SSC staffing infrastructure needed to advance our priorities

HOW WE DO IT



SSC policy forums engage stakeholders and policy makers in dialogue

SSC staff bring members' concerns to the table by speaking and presenting at public hearings and key meetings

SSC educates and informs policy makers and regulators

SSC prepares CBOs for new policy implementation

POLICY SUCCESSES



Senior Services Coalition has a seat on the planning committee to create a Alameda County's Plan for Older Adults (2015)

Alameda County commits to plan and implement a comprehensive approach to the provision of long term, health and supportive services to seniors (2014)

Access granted to HICAP to use Medi-Cal MEDS data to confirm coverage, saving hours each day (2013)

State realignment funding channeled to add capacity to Adult Protective Services (2013)

State budget includes equal benefits for grandparents caring for foster children (2014)

Legislation removes barriers to Food Stamp access for seniors (2013)

State budget preserves Medi-Cal Adult Day Health Care (2012)

METRICS



Average monthly web site unique visits: 215+

Email list subscribers: 555

Trainings per year: 10

Community-based services providers trained: 200+

Policy updates sent annually: 30+

White Papers and Reports released each year: 8+

Letters and comments sent to policy makers each year: 20+

Policy forums and meetings convened per year: 5+

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