



## COUNTY OF SONOMA

575 ADMINISTRATION  
DRIVE, ROOM 102A  
SANTA ROSA, CA 95403

### SUMMARY REPORT

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**Agenda Date:** 4/20/2021

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**To:** Board of Supervisors

**Department or Agency Name(s):** Human Services

**Staff Name and Phone Number:** Paul Dunaway 565-3673, Victoria Allen 565-2742

**Vote Requirement:** Majority

**Supervisorial District(s):** Countywide

**Recommended Action:**

Adopt a Gold Resolution declaring May 2021 as Older Americans Month in Sonoma County

**Executive Summary:**

Sonoma County is committed to honoring older adults and celebrating the contributions made by older people in our communities. To demonstrate this commitment, the Board of Supervisors annually proclaims May as Older Americans Month in Sonoma County. This year's Older Americans Month theme is "Communities of Strength."

**Discussion:**

Each May, the Administration for Community Living leads our Nation's observance of Older Americans Month (OAM). The 2021 theme "Communities of Strength", recognizes the important role older adults play in fostering the connection and engagement that build strong and resilient communities.

In tough times, communities find strength in people-and people find strength in their communities. In the past year, we've seen this principle come alive time and time again in the communities of Sonoma County as friends, neighbors, and businesses have found new ways to support each other.

In our community, older adults are a key source of this strength. Through their experiences, successes, and difficulties, they have built resilience that helps them to face new challenges. When communities tap into this wisdom, they also become stronger.

Strength is built and shown not only by bold acts, but also through the small acts of day-to-day life-a conversation shared with a friend, working in the garden, trying a new recipe, or taking time for a cup of tea on a busy day. And when we share these activities with others-even virtually or by telling about the experience later-we help them build resilience too.

The Sonoma County Human Services Department, Adult and Aging Services Division and the Area Agency on Aging Advisory Council members will participate in community events in honor of Older Americans Month.

**Prior Board Actions:**

Every year since May 2012, the Sonoma County Board of Supervisors has proclaimed May as Older Americans Month in Sonoma County.

April 28, 2020 - proclaimed May 2020 - Older Americans Month  
April 30, 2019 - proclaimed May 2019 - Older Americans Month  
May 8, 2018 - proclaimed May 2018 - Older Americans Month  
May 16, 2017 - proclaimed May 2017 - Older Americans Month  
May 24, 2016 - proclaimed May 2016 - Older Americans Month  
May 12, 2015 - proclaimed May 2015 - Older Americans Month  
May 20, 2014 - proclaimed May 2014 - Older Americans Month  
May 14, 2013 - proclaimed May 2013 - Older Americans Month  
May 15, 2012 - proclaimed May 2012 - Older Americans Month

**FISCAL SUMMARY**

<b>Expenditures</b>	<b>FY 20-21 Adopted</b>	<b>FY 21-22 Projected</b>	<b>FY 22-23 Projected</b>
Budgeted Expenses			
Additional Appropriation Requested			
<b>Total Expenditures</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>
<b>Funding Sources</b>			
General Fund/WA GF			
State/Federal			
Fees/Other			
Use of Fund Balance			
Contingencies			
<b>Total Sources</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>

**Narrative Explanation of Fiscal Impacts:**

None

<b>Staffing Impacts:</b>			
<b>Position Title (Payroll Classification)</b>	<b>Monthly Salary Range (A-I Step)</b>	<b>Additions (Number)</b>	<b>Deletions (Number)</b>

**Narrative Explanation of Staffing Impacts (If Required):**

None

**Attachments:**

Resolution - Older Americans Month

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**Related Items “On File” with the Clerk of the Board:**

None