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I am excited to join the Area 4 Agency on Aging as the new Executive Director. This is an exciting and challenging time as issues like Sequestration, Health Care Reform, Community-Based Adult Services, and many more are on the forefront in the aging arena.

Working with the aging community has long been a passion of mine. I have a Masters Degree in Social Work (MSW) from California State University, San Bernardino. I began my 28 year social service career in Adult Protective Services. Later, I was the Deputy Director over Adult Services in Riverside County. One of the things I am proudest about in my career was contracting with the National Council on Crime and Delinquency to develop a Structured Decision Making (SDM) tool for Adult Protective Services, which is now used by many counties. I have taught Gerontology in the social work program at La Sierra University. I also chaired the Adult Services Committee for the County Welfare Director's Association.

My most recent position was in Yolo County, where for 7 years I served as the Director over Employment and Social Services. The department included Adult and Child Protective Services, In Home Supportive Services, all of the welfare and employment programs.

I have many interests outside of my career. I grew up in Santa Monica and developed a love of the ocean and the sun. I was an avid sailor for many years and had a sailboat in Long Beach. I still never pass up an opportunity to be on the water. I like to garden and work on home improvement projects. But most of all, I love being with my family and just being a mom.

When I think about what is on the horizon, I see many challenges and opportunities. With the Baby Boomers reaching their senior years there will be an intensified need for services. My goal is to always put the seniors' needs first and to ensure that accessibility to services is as easy as I can make it. I am grateful to be following Deanna Lea's capable leadership as the longstanding Executive Director. I look forward to traveling around the 7 counties meeting new people and seeing firsthand the good work going on in the aging community.