

SACRAMENTO COUNTY

2012 Senior Needs Chart

Most of the needs fall into broad categories of issues commonly reported by older adults. The descriptions below are general; not every example within a category was cited.

The first column to the right represents input from all attendees at the Town Hall Meetings (n=46). The second column reflects Community Services Questionnaire results from people age 60+ only (n=89). The third column represents data from 2-1-1 Sacramento (n=16,403).

The overall rankings were computed using a simple point system. The letter "T" indicates a tie. For more details, see the 2012 Supplemental Needs Assessment Report (www.a4aa.com)

What should leaders focus on?
(2012 Town Hall Meetings)

Issues Important to Seniors (2012
Community Services Questionnaire)

Top needs expressed, FY 2011-12
(Senior Information & Assistance)

Overall Rank				
T-1	TRANSPORTATION Including but not limited to: understanding options & programs; access to clean, safe, reliable choices, including public transit, non-emergency medical transit, private transit services and not-for-profit programs; and, ability to pay for transportation costs (both car owners and transit riders).	1	2	
T-1	HEALTH CARE Including but not limited to: understanding health insurance and care options; access to appropriate medical care; ability to pay for medical care, dental care and medicines; coping with chronic health problems; and, coping with mental health problems such as depression.	T-2	1	
3	HOUSING Including but not limited to: shelter for homeless seniors; understanding housing options & programs; an adequate supply of clean, safe, accessible housing units; ability to paying for housing costs (rent/mortgage/taxes/repairs); and, access to reliable and reputable handymen/contractors.	4	4	2
4	IN-HOME CARE (Non-Medical) Including but not limited to: understanding insurance and care options; access to reliable and reputable in-home care workers; and, ability to pay for in-home care or adult day care.	T-2	3	
5	FINANCIAL ADVICE Including but not limited to: understanding options & programs; access to reliable and reputable financial advisors, tax preparers, and money managers; and, ability to pay for financial assistance costs.			1
6	FOOD Including but not limited to: understanding options & programs; access to healthy food sources; an adequate supply of healthy food through a variety of channels, including senior lunch sites, home delivered meals, surplus and commodities programs and soup kitchens; and, ability to pay for food.			3
T-7	LEGAL ADVICE/ASSISTANCE Including but not limited to: understanding options & programs; access to reliable and reputable legal advisors; and, ability to pay for legal costs.			4
T-7	OTHER: OPPORTUNITIES FOR SOCIALIZATION and/or EDUCATION	5	5	
9	OTHER: CONSUMER PROTECTION			5