

**MEETING NOTICE
AAA4 ADVISORY COUNCIL**

(916) 486-1876

DATE: July 18, 2019
TIME: 10:00 AM – 12:00 PM
PLACE: Placer County
Bernhard Museum Winery
291 Auburn Folsom Road
Auburn, CA 95603



AGENDA

I. CALL TO ORDER; PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE; ROLL CALL; WELCOME & INTRODUCTIONS

II. COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC

The Advisory Council welcomes comments from the Public on any Agenda item as it is discussed. In the interest of time, individuals will be limited to 3 minutes; 10 minutes for group presentations. Comments from the Public on items not part of the Agenda may be made following the business portion of the meeting.

III. CONSENT CALENDAR

A. Adopt Agenda/Minutes 05/30/19..... 3 min.

IV. CORRESPONDENCE..... 2 min.

V. PRESENTATION

A. "SENIOR411.ORG" *presented by* Mary Towne, Elevate PR & Marketing..... 30 min.
B. Placer County's ADRC (Aging and Disability Resource Connection) *presented by* Eldon Luce..... 30 min.

VII. ACTION ITEM

A. Approve Legislative Committee Recommendations..... 30 min.

VIII. REPORTS

A. Executive Director..... 5 min.
B. Executive Committee..... 3 min.
C. Ad Hoc Parity Committee..... 5 min.
D. Legislative Committee..... 2 min.
E. Governing Board..... 3 min.

IX. ROUNDTABLE: OLD BUSINESS, BIRTHDAYS, ANNOUNCEMENTS.....5 min.

X. ADJOURNMENT

COMMITTEE MEETINGS

9:30 A.M. – 10:00 A.M. ~ EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

12:00 P.M. – 12:30 P.M. ~ DIVERSITY COMMITTEE

Please visit www.agencyonaging4.org for additional information

Attachments to be sent under separate cover

- Draft Letters of Support for AB 970, SB 500 & SB 562
- Assembly & Senate Committee Analyses for AB 50, AB 970, SB 500, SB 512 & SB 562

If you need a disability-related reasonable accommodation to participate in this meeting, please contact Cindy Reigert at (916) 486-1876, or creigert@agencyonaging4.org at least 3 days in advance with your accommodation request. Every effort will be made to accommodate. However, we cannot guarantee we will be able to honor requests received less than 3 days in advance.

AGENCY ON AGING | AREA 4

JOINT MEETING

Governing Board and Advisory Council Meeting Minutes

Date: May 30, 2019

Location: Sacramento County, AAA4

I. Call to Order / Pledge Of Allegiance / Roll Call / Welcome & Introductions:

GB Chair, Chris Parent called the Joint meeting of the *Agency on Aging Area 4 (AAA4)* to order at 10:00 a.m. The Council, guests and staff stood and recited the pledge of allegiance. There was a quorum.

| County | | AC Members/Present - 16 | Absent - 0/Excused – 7 |
|------------------|-------------|--|------------------------------|
| Nevada | 3 vacancies | J. Marroletti | |
| Placer | 1 vacancy | G. Plasencia, J. Williams, | M. Rose (E), D. Wiltsee (E) |
| Sacramento | 3 vacancies | C. Koss, D. Pevny, M. Wilkerson | L. Young (E) |
| Sierra | 4 vacancies | | |
| Sutter | 3 vacancies | P. Epley, T. Thomas | P. Bihala (E) |
| Yolo | 0 vacancies | L. Bourne, S. Brunner, C. Dorsey, E. Yeh | |
| Yuba | 2 vacancies | | G. Diamond (E), S. Gee (E) |
| CSL members | 1 vacancy | C. Dorsey, G. Plasencia | D. Wiltsee (E), L. Young (E) |
| At-Large members | 4 vacancies | W. Pearce | C. Buckley (E) |

AAA4 Staff Present: Pam Miller, Will Tift, Mike Selland, Nancy Vasquez, Margaret Borowiak, Linda Berry, Teja Payne, Mary Schleeter, Anson Houghton, Yvonne Pacheco, and Cindy Reigert.

Guests Present: Tex Ritter, Nevada County; Michelle Nevins, Del Oro; Stephanie Vierstra, Seniors First; Ian Evans, Homeless Programs Manager, Yolo County HHSA, Eldon Luce, Placer ADRC; Barbara Hanna, Caring Choices; and Lydea Baunn, Yolo County.

II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE – Led by AC Member Pam Epley

III. COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC

The Governing Board welcomes comments on any agenda item as it is addressed. Individuals will be limited to five minutes; fifteen minutes for a representative of a group. Comments may be made on any subject not on the agenda. The specific time limit will be established based on the number of persons wishing to speak, for a total of fifteen minutes per subject.

IV. CONSENT CALENDAR

Consent items are expected to be routine and noncontroversial. The Governing Board will act upon them at one time without discussion unless any Board member, staff member or member of the public requests that an item be removed from the consent calendar for discussion.

A. Adoption of 5/30/2019 Agenda and 4/18/19 Minutes

The agenda was approved as printed.

A motion was moved/seconded, Carl Burton/Becky Bowen to approve the consent calendar, including the agenda as printed. Motion passed by consent.

An amendment was moved/seconded, Dr. Sheila Allen/Supv. Heidi Hall to defer the April 18, 2019 minutes to the next Governing Board meeting. Motion passed by consent.

A motion was moved/seconded, Dave Pevny/Pam Epley to approve The consent calendar, including the agenda and April 18, 2019 minutes. Motion passed by consent.

V. CORRESPONDENCE

Letter from Legal Services of Northern California was read by Pam Miller regarding Notice of Termination/Non-Renewal of Contract for Senior Information and Assistance in Yolo County; Contract #1249-18.

VI. INSTALLATION OF VICE CHAIR (Advisory Council Only) Gloria Plasencia was sworn in as Vice Chair.

VII. PRESENTATION

Ian Evans LMFT, Homeless Programs Manager, Yolo County HHSA, gave a Power Point presentation on *Homelessness and Older Adults in Yolo County*.

VIII. ACTION ITEMS

A. Approve JPEC Recommendations: Third Quarter of SFY 2018-19

The Joint Program Evaluation Committee (JPEC) met on May 9th to review compliance and performance through the third quarter for all AAA4-funded programs for SFY 2018-19 (July 1 through March 31).

JPEC made recommendations on thirty-six items which were described in the final pages of the Funded Partner Activity Report that was attached in the 5/30/19 agenda. Also attached was the Third Quarter Performance Chart.

A motion was moved/seconded, Supv. Heidi Hall/Nancy Pennebaker, to separate Item E³ from the rest of the JPEC recommendations, and approve the balance of the items. (Y = 13, N = 0)

A motion was moved/seconded, Supv. Heidi Hall/Dr. Sheila Allen to deny the fiscal analysis of the redirection of the \$6,000. An amendment was also made/seconded, Supv. Heidi Hall/Maxine Milner-Krugman to continue keeping Caring Choices Caregiver Respite on Watch status. Motion passed. (Y = 7, N = 6)

B. Approve Assignment of Title III-E RFP Funds in Yuba-Sutter

No eligible proposals were submitted in response to the 2019-23 Request for Proposals (RFP) for Title III-E Caregiver Respite in Placer County. AAA4 Staff contacted Caring Choice, the current provider of this service, who expressed their desire to continue contracting with AAA4 in this category, even though they missed the opportunity to apply to the RFP because, as they stated, they did not realize an RFP had been issued.

At least two AAA4 Governing Board representatives expressed support for transitioning this service to the Del Oro Caregiver Resource Center since Caring Choices has had a series of administrative challenges in recent years, causing communication difficulties between the organization and AAA4 Staff including, but not limited to, timely and accurate data reporting which caused Caring Choices to be put on Probation in September 2018 after these issues were sent to JEPC.

Historically, Caring Choices has met or surpassed their annual scope of service for Caregiver Respite; however, AAA4 Staff project the program will fall short of its goal in Yuba County this year.

Caring Choices is the only Title III-E provider operating in the Yuba-Sutter area. Thus, at this point in time, it is not possible to keep these dollars in Yuba-Sutter without contracting with another entity that is willing and able to utilize Title III-E funds there.

Del Oro is to receive an annual award of \$32,244 if approved.

A motion was moved/seconded, Miko Sawamura/Maxine Milner-Krugman to Approve Assignment of Title III-E RFP Funds to Del Oro. Motion passed. (Y = 13, N=0)

C. Approve Assignment of Title III-D RFP Funds in Placer County

No Eligible proposals were submitted in response to the 2019-23 Request for Proposals (RFP) for Title III-D Disease Prevention/Health Promotion services in Placer County. Once the RFP process had concluded, AAA4 Staff contacted the current provider, Caring Choices, who indicated that they had not realized an RFP had been issued but expressed Their desire to continue contracting with AAA4 in this category.

When AAA4 Staff contacted Placer County's Governing Board representatives to discuss the situation and seek a recommendation, the Board's recommendation was to allocate the Funds to AAA4's Direct Services Department where the funds can be used to support DEEP (the Diabetes Empowerment Education Program) in the upcoming fiscal year, as well As support other evidence-based programming in the future, pending approval via the Area Plan process.

Caring Choices has had a series of difficulties within recent years caused by administrative Challenges which have led to communication issues between the organization and AAA4 Staff, along with programmatic problems with consistently trying to find new clients. Due to a lack of timely and accurate data reporting, Caring Choices was referred to JPEC and Placed on Probation in September 2018.

Title III-D funds are not transferrable and at this time, AAA4 is the only other approved Provider of a Title III-D service. AAA4 Direct Services award shall be \$46,299, if approved.

**A motion was moved/seconded, Maxine Milner-Krugman/Miko Sawamura to Approve Assignment of Title III-D RFP Funds to the AAA4 Direct Services Department.
Motion was passed. (Y = 13, N = 0)**

D. Approve One-Time Reallocation of Title III-B Funds in Placer County

AAA4 Staff have determined that \$105,000 of Title III-B Supportive Services funds Earmarked for Placer County would go unspent this state fiscal year (2018-19) unless the Governing Board authorized a reallocation.

Most of the funds in question (\$80,000) are currently allocated to Area Plan Objective 2.5(A) Framing In-Home Care as a wraparound Service. This new Program Development Activity is not yet underway, although some preliminary discussions have occurred. This new program's intent is to fill a service gap that was created when AAA4's contract with a Sacramento-based home care agency was discontinued on March 31, 2018.

The remaining \$25,000 is a portion of the baseline award for Placer Independent Resource Services (PIRS) to provide Minor Home Modification. PIRS declined additional "mini grant" funding this Spring because their warehouse was still full of equipment and supplies purchased during the prior year. They also had some disruptions to their volunteer base which temporarily reduced both their overall performance and their costs.

AAA4 Staff explored all potential reallocation options within the same county and within the same funding source. Both AAA4's Mature Edge Job Readiness Program and LSNC's Mother Lode Office have declined the offer to take on any more III-B dollars at this late Date. The only organization capable of utilizing the \$105,000 in Placer County in 30 days is Seniors First.

Thus, AAA4 Staff began discussions with Seniors First in April. A multi-faceted awareness Campaign was immediately identified as a viable project because a smaller scale effort was already in development in Placer County under the purview of the Older Adult and Aging Commission (OAAC), and the newly designated Aging and Disability Resource Connection (ADRC).

The proposed countrywide campaign would target older adults, family caregivers and key Stakeholders, and it would seek to do so in partnership with local senior centers, libraries, transportation agencies, housing providers and food banks.

The proposed project costs are as follows:

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|------------------------|-----------------|
| Planning & development | \$23,000 |
| Graphic design work | \$16,000 |
| Advertising placement | \$38,000 |
| <u>Printing</u> | <u>\$28,000</u> |
| Total | \$105,000 |

A motion was moved/seconded, Jamee Horning/Nancy Pennebaker to approve the Original Area Plan Update 2019-20. Motion passed. (Y = 9, N = 0/ Jamee Horning recused)

E. Select new Senior Information & Assistance Provider in Yolo County

On May 17th AAA4 received formal notification from Legal Services of Northern California (LSNC) that they have decided NOT to renew their contract for the provision Of Senior Information & Assistance services in Yolo County in SFYs 2019-21. LSNC cites increased “programmatically requirements and administrative burden,” coupled with flat funding as the key reasons for the decision. Nevertheless, LSNC has agreed to extend their agreement for 60 days to allow additional time for a transition plan to be developed.

AAA4’s Governing Board representatives were contacted to discuss the situation and seek a recommendation. A meeting was scheduled for May 29th but a new provider has yet to be determined. Approval for some course of action will be sought at the next Governing Board meeting.

The annual award for this program is \$41,224. The balance of the contract cycle is two years, beginning circa August 26, 2019 and ending on June 30, 2021.

A motion was moved/seconded, Dr. Sheila Allen/Supv. Heidi Hall to Approve the Selection of a New Senior I&A Provider in Yolo County, along with the Amendment moved/seconded, Dr. Sheila Allen/Supv. Heidi Hall to extend LSNC contract for I&A in Yolo County for 60 days. Motion passed. (Y = 13, N = 0)

F. Approve Resolution #262 Authorizing Executive Director to Execute Agreement #AP-19-20-04 with California Department of Aging to Receive Area Plan Funds for SFY 2019-20.

Resolution #262 authorizes the Executive Director to execute an agreement, AP-1920-04 with the California Department of Aging to administer Area Plan Funds. Furthermore, the Resolution authorizes the Executive Director to execute all future amendments to the contract.

The Area Plan Contract is approximately \$9,433,538.

A motion was moved/seconded, Maxine Milner-Krugman/Miko Sawamura to Approve Resolution #262 Authorizing Executive Director to Execute Agreement #AP-19-02-04 with California Department of Aging to Receive Area Plan Funds for SFY 2019-20. Motion passed. (Y = 10, N = 0)

G. Approve Legislative Committee Recommendations (Advisory Council)

The list of bills below was supported by the Legislative Committee on April 5th but

tabled by the Advisory Council on April 18th pending further information. The Legislative Committee met again on May 24th to seek Council support of these bills.

- AB 506 (Kalra) Long-term health facilities
- AB 1382 (Aguilar-Curry) Master Plan on Aging
- SB 222 (Hill) Discrimination: veteran or military status
- SB 338 (Hueso) Elder and dependent abuse: law enforcement policies
- SB 453 (Hurtado) Older Adults
- SB 611 (Caballero) Housing: elder and individuals with disabilities

On May 24th the Legislative Committee also recommended the additional bill below for Council support:

- SB 623 (Jackson) Multifamily Housing Program: total assistance calculation

A vote of support by the Advisory Council authorizes the Council Chair to sign a letter to be sent to the author(s) of the bill/request, to the appropriate Committee members and to local elected officials. It also authorizes representatives of the Legislative Committee to verbally express the Council's support for the bill/request during hearings at the State Capitol.

Should a bill be edited, the Legislative Committee will re-assess the bill and may adjust Its recommendation to the Advisory Council.

In accordance with Parliamentary Procedure, a majority vote of eligible members present was required to pass a motion (members who abstained from voting are not eligible. Thus, abstentions would be deducted from the total number of voters).

A motion was moved/seconded, Dave Pevny/Pam Epley to Approve Legislative Committee Recommendations. Motion passed by consent.

VII. REPORTS

A. Executive Committee

Provided by Chris Parent

B. Audit/Finance Committee

Provided by Mike Selland

C. Ad Hoc Parity Committee

D. Provided by Will Tift

E. Executive Director

Provided by Pam Miller

IX. ANNOUNCEMENTS/FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

None.

X. ADJOURNMENT

With no further business, Governing Board Chair, Chris Parent, adjourned the meeting at 12:15 p.m.

ACTION ITEM VII.A.

TO: AAA4 ADVISORY COUNCIL

FROM: Legislative Committee

DATE: July 12, 2019

SUBJECT: Legislative Committee Recommendations

On June 21st the Legislative Committee met to review and discuss numerous bills pertaining to Older Adults; they are recommending the Advisory Council support the bills listed below. This is a time-sensitive item as we are nearing the end of the legislative year. Please read the latest analysis (attached) and be prepared to vote. Additional information can be found at: <http://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/>

- AB 50 (Kalra) Medi-Cal: Assisted Living Waiver program
- AB 970 (Salas) California Department of Aging: grants: transportation
- SB 500 (Morrell) Veterans: education
- SB 512 (Pan) Long-term services and supports
- SB 562 (Morrell) Property taxation: exemption: principal residence: veterans & unmarried surviving spouses

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Should a bill be edited, the Legislative Committee will re-assess the bill and may adjust its recommendation to the Advisory Council.

A roll call vote may be held upon request.



July 18, 2019

The Honorable Ash Kalra
State Capitol
P.O. Box 942849
Sacramento, CA 94249-0027

RE: AB 50 Support

The Agency on Aging \ Area 4 (AAA4) is a joint powers organization with non-profit status. We make federal Older American Act funded services available to over 500,000 seniors in Sacramento, Placer, Yolo, Yuba, Sutter, Sierra, and Nevada counties. Our mission is creating and supporting opportunities that enhance the lives of older adults and their families to be safe, healthy and independent.

The Advisory Council of AAA4 supports AB 50 because:

- Currently the Assisted Living Wavier Program (ALWP) is only available in 15 of California's 58 counties.
- ALWP provides a critical community-based alternative to institutionalization for eligible Older Adults and people with disabilities.
- We agree that changes to the ALWP seeking a wavier amendment to expand the number of participants, including the geographic reach of the ALWP payment increases, is a positive change in the right direction.
- AWLP benefits Older Adults and people with disabilities by offering the dignity to live fuller, more independent lives in assisted living facilities and for those who are medically qualified for skilled care and require minor additional support. We must also face the reality that the current number of slots is woefully insufficient to meet the need.
- Allowing AWLP to expand will create a significant cost savings to the State of California because the average annual cost for a skilled nursing facility is estimated to be around \$68,000 while the average annual cost of providing wavier services in a community setting is approximately \$27,108. This bill expands and addresses these issues by requiring the Department of Health Care Services (DHCS) to amend the ALWP in order to meet the needs of some of our most vulnerable residents.

Thank you for authoring this bill.

Sincerely,

Catheryn Koss, JD, PhD
AAA4 Advisory Council Chair

cc: Pamela Miller, AAA4 Executive Director
Chris Parent, AAA4 Governing Board Chair



July 18, 2019

The Honorable Dr. Richard Pan
State Capitol
Room 5114
Sacramento, CA 95814

RE: SB 512 Support

The Agency on Aging \ Area 4 (AAA4) is a joint powers organization with non-profit status. We make federal Older American Act funded services available to over 500,000 seniors in Sacramento, Placer, Yolo, Yuba, Sutter, Sierra, and Nevada counties. Our mission is creating and supporting opportunities that enhance the lives of older adults and their families to be safe, healthy and independent.

The Advisory Council of AAA4 supports SB 512 because:

- UCLA has estimated that 24% of all Californians age 65+ are among the “hidden poor,” meaning their income is above the Federal Poverty Level but below the median cost of living in their communities. Thus they often don’t qualify for public benefits but cannot afford to pay out of pocket for Long-Term Care either.
- It would establish the California Long-Term Services and Supports (LTSS) Benefits Board to oversee a program to provide LTSS to eligible Californians.
- It would establish the California LTSS Benefits Trust to manage and invest revenues made available to pay for LTSS for eligible Older Adults and persons with disabilities (mobility, sensory, intellectual/developmental, and mental health disabilities).
- It establishes the California LTSS Advisory Committee to provide recommendations to the Board.
- The bill is sponsored by the California Aging and Disability Alliance (CADA) of which Disability Rights California (DRC) is a member along with 21 other organizations.

We also support the companion budget proposal to appropriate \$1 million for the purpose of contracting for a feasibility study and actuarial analysis of LTSS financing and service options.

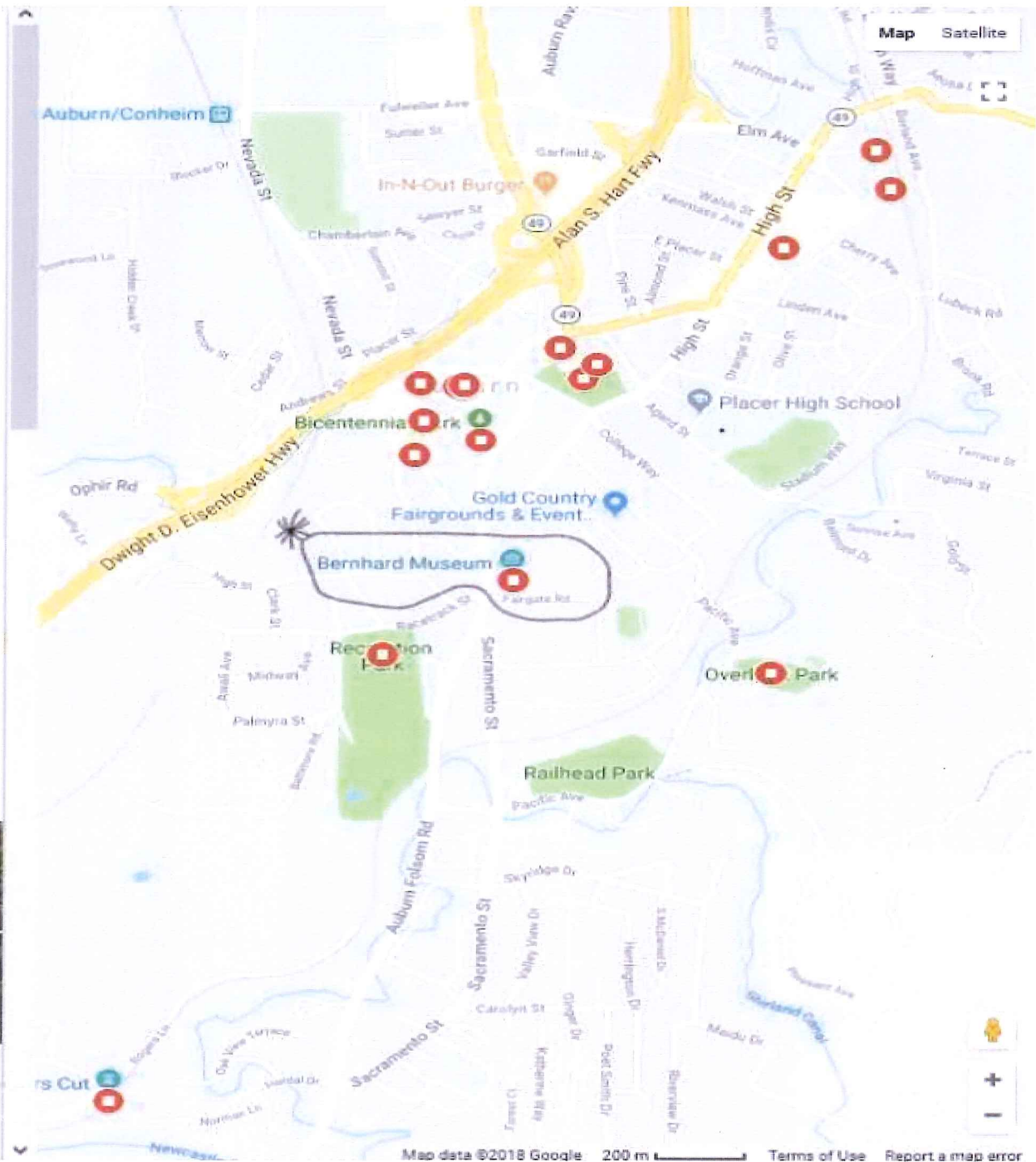
Thank you for authoring this bill.

Sincerely,

Catheryn Koss, JD, PhD
AAA4 Advisory Council Chair

cc: Pamela Miller, AAA4 Executive Director
Chris Parent, AAA4 Governing Board Chair

IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO SCHEDULE A TIME TO LISTEN TO THE FULL AUDIO OR
REQUEST MATERIALS FROM THIS MEETING, PLEASE CONTACT Cindy Reigert at
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Bernhard Museum Area

Yuba/Marysville area: Approx. 58 min/42 mi in good traffic. If on CA-20, CA-20 E becomes CA-70 S. Merge onto CA-65 S via **Exit 17** on the left towards Roseville. Then, in 11.98 mi turn left onto Riosa Rd. Turn **right** onto Sheridan Lincoln Blvd which turns into Lincoln Blvd. Turn **left** onto McBean Park Dr/CA-193. Continue to follow CA-193. Turn **right** onto Taylor Rd/CA-193. Take the I-80 ramp toward Reno. Turn slight **right** onto CA-193. Merge onto I-80 E/CA-193 E. Take the Maple St exit, **EXIT 119A**, toward Auburn. (See Davis/Sac directions for the rest.)

Nevada City/Grass Valley: Approx. 40 min/29 mi in good traffic. Merge onto CA-49 S toward Nevada City/Grass Valley. Turn right onto Lincoln Way. Take the 1st left onto Auburn Folsom Rd, which becomes Sacramento St. Destination is just past High St.

Woodland: Approx 50 min/49 m in good traffic. Take I-5 to I-80 East - then same directions as from Sacramento, (below)

Davis/Sacramento: Approx. 27 min/29 mi in good traffic I-80 East. Take the Maple St exit, **EXIT 119A**, toward Auburn. Keep **right** at the fork in the ramp. Merge onto Lincoln Way. Take the 2nd **right** onto Sacramento St. Take the 3rd **right** to stay on Sacramento St, which runs into Auburn-Folsom Rd.