



PSA 2 Area Agency on Aging

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Dear Reader:

It is with pleasure that we provide to you the 2009-2012 Area Plan for Planning and Service Area 2 Area Agency on Aging (PSA2AAA).

The Older American's Act and the Older Californian's Act were established with the primary goal to offer services to the older adult population and persons with impairments which will help to keep them in their homes as long as possible with the utmost dignity, respect, & independence.

Further, the Acts' services focus on those least likely to receive services in other arenas: 75 years and older, the most frail, low-income, minority, isolated, lesbian, gay, bisexual and transgendered persons.

The Area Plan provides many informative tools such as:

- a brief description of each county
- a fiscal summary of funding provided through both Acts
- the number of service units expected to be provided, by type of program, and, most importantly,
- the Goals and Objectives which will drive the efforts of PSA2AAA throughout the upcoming three (3) years

The older adult population in Lassen, Modoc, Shasta, Siskiyou and Trinity is expected to grow considerably with the retirement of the Baby Boomers (those born between 1946 – 1964). The anticipated growth rate of those 60 years and older will increase nearly 30% - twice the rate for the State of California!

Due to this rapid population increase and the ongoing decrease in funding, now is the time for all generations to pull together and become less dependent on governmental assistance. It is through the development of our social capital that we become empowered to live within our desired standard of which we all deserve.

I am always interested in hearing from you, the reader. Please feel free to call me at any time. TOGETHER we make a difference!

Sincerely,

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&

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