



# Simi Valley Council On Aging

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## **Simi Valley Council On Aging Annual Meeting**

### Agenda

Monday, March 9, 2026

1:00 p.m.

Simi Valley Senior Center

3900 Avenida Simi, Simi Valley, CA 93063

1. Call to Order and Pledge of Allegiance
2. Roll Call
3. Agenda Review
4. Approval of Minutes
5. Council On Aging (COA) Report (Janice Del Santo)
6. City Representative Reports
  - a. City Council (Mike Judge and/or Joseph D. Ayala)
  - b. City Manager's Office (Anna M. Medina)
  - c. Senior Center (Kimberly Post)
7. Public Statements

This time is reserved for individuals who wish to make public statements or comments on items within the subject matter and jurisdiction of the COA.
8. Informational Presentation
  - a. COA Preliminary Budget for Fiscal Year 2026-27 presentation (Lika Garg)
9. Appointments
  - a. Representative for the Community Projects Grant Review Committee
  - b. Ad Hoc Committee Chair for the Stars and Stripes Ice Cream Social
10. Officer, Liaison, Representative and Ad Hoc Committee Reports
  - a. Officer Reports
    1. Recording Secretary
    2. Corresponding Secretary
    3. Treasurer (see attached)
  - b. Liaison Reports
    1. Housing Liaison (Bob Cottle)
  - c. Representative Reports
    1. Ventura County Area Agency on Aging Advisory Council Representative (Al Brown)

### **Council On Aging Mission Statement**

The mission of the Simi Valley Council On Aging is to identify and serve the needs of Simi Valley seniors through the advocacy, development, support, funding and implementation of programs, events and services that provide seniors with maximum independence, safety, security, health and quality of life.

- d. Ad Hoc Committees Reports
  1. COA Budget Committee (Lika Garg)
  2. COA Dance Committee (Teri Hypes)
  3. Fundraising Event Committee (Bette King and/or Josephine Perini)
  4. Bingo Bonanza (Janice Del Santo)
11. Continued Business
  - a. Discussion/Action on a request for direction on the 2026 Wellness Expo
12. New Business - None
13. Announcements of Upcoming COA/Senior Center Events/Programs
  - a. COA Dance, March 20, 2026
  - b. COA Bingo Bonanza, March 28, 2026
  - c. Easter Breakfast for Seniors, April 5, 2026
14. Suggested agenda items for the COA meeting on April 13, 2026
15. Adjournment

If any individual has a disability that may require an accommodation to participate in this meeting, please contact the Simi Valley Senior Center at (805) 583-6363. Upon advance notification of the need for accommodation, reasonable arrangements will be made to provide accessibility to the meeting.

**DRAFT MINUTES**

1. Call to Order and Pledge of Allegiance – Janice Del Santo called the meeting to order at 1:00 p.m. Bill Oliver led the Pledge of Allegiance.
2. Roll Call – Jamuna Ramnath called Roll Call. Members present were Janice Del Santo, Nancy Garcia, Lika Garg, Bette King, Deborah Laine, David Lewis, Mark Luker, and Jamuna Ramnath.

Candace Skor joined the meeting during Item 6a.

Jamuna verified there was a quorum present.

3. Agenda Review – Janice Del Santo noted that Council Member Joseph Ayala has replaced Mayor Pro Tem Elaine Litster as the City Council COA Representative (alternate).

By consensus of the Executive Board, the agenda was approved as presented.

4. Approval of Minutes

Nancy Garcia moved to approve the minutes of the meeting on January 12, 2026, and Mark Luker seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

5. Council On Aging (COA) Report - No report. Interim Chair Janice Del Santo welcomed the new Board members.

6. City Representative Reports

- a. City Council

Council Member Mike Judge welcomed the new COA Executive Board members. He said five new restaurants have opened in Simi Valley, and the Simi Valley Brewery will open in March. Al Brown commented that the Neighborhood Councils oppose Short-Term Rentals (STRs), and Council Member Judge said the City Council has not decided on that issue. He responded to a question about voting in City Council elections and referred those in attendance to the City's website, [www.simivalley.org](http://www.simivalley.org), to find their City Council District. He also said that District maps are available at City Hall.

Council Member Joseph Ayala shared that Southern California Edison is offering workshops at the Senior Center covering topics such as Public Safety Power Shutoffs, rebate programs, and battery backup options and rebates. He also announced that in honor of the nation's 250th birthday, the City is planning an expanded July 4th celebration and will host events on both July 3 and 4, 2026, including a 4th of July Parade. Veterans will be recognized during the festivities.

b. City Manager's Office

Anna M. Medina welcomed the new COA Board members and reported on the activities at the Simi Valley Cultural Arts Center (SVCAC), including Love & Laughs, a fundraiser for the Simi Valley Public Library on February 12, the musical Legally Blonde playing from February 21 through March 22, and a free open house for the "Legacy in Color" art exhibit on February 26. She encouraged everyone to take the "Your Voice Matters" survey on the SVCAC website at [www.svcac.org](http://www.svcac.org) to be entered in a drawing to win four tickets to any show.

c. Senior Center

Community Services Manager Kimberly Post announced upcoming events, including Senior Scam Stopper, Simi Valley Transit Training, a Succulent workshop, and an "Interpreting the New USDA Guidelines" nutrition presentation. The COA's Valentine's Dance is on February 20. The Senior Center will be closed from February 14 to 16 for Presidents Day.

7. Public Statements

Simi Valley Library Director Stephanie Wronka announced upcoming events: "Love & Laughs," a comedy night fundraiser on February 12, featuring, a dessert reception; "Blind Date with a Book" continues through February; and a "It's a New Day" Back to the 80's concert in the Rose Garden on February 24, 2026.

8. Informational Presentations

Bette King said the Harmony for Hunger fundraising concert, "Country Queens," is on June 14, 2026, and that there will be a Broadway show on August 30, 2026, and shared a video highlighting performers from each event. Tickets will be \$40 and \$50 depending on the section selected, and all proceeds go to Meals On Wheels to support homebound seniors. Veterans will be honored during the Harmony for Hunger show.

9. Appointments

a. Election of COA Chair

Janice Del Santo was self-nominated.

There were no other nominations, and nominations were closed.

Janice Del Santo was appointed unanimously as the Chair.

b. Election of COA Officers

Vice Chair

Janice Del Santo nominated Nancy Garcia.

There were no other nominations, and nominations were closed.

Nancy Garcia was appointed unanimously as the Vice Chair.

Recording Secretary

Janice Del Santo nominated Jamuna Ramnath.

There were no other nominations, and nominations were closed.

Jamuna Ramnath was appointed unanimously as the Recording Secretary.

Corresponding Secretary

Janice Del Santo nominated Mark Luker.

There were no other nominations, and nominations were closed.

Mark Luker was appointed unanimously as the Corresponding Secretary.

Treasurer

Janice Del Santo nominated Lika Garg.

There were no other nominations, and nominations were closed.

Lika Garg was appointed unanimously as the Treasurer.

10. Officer, Liaison, Representative, and Ad Hoc Committee Reports

a. Officer Reports

1. Recording Secretary - No report.

2. Corresponding Secretary

Mark Luker reported that the COA received a \$300 private donation for Meals On Wheels.

3. Treasurer

Lika Garg presented the Profit & Loss Statements and Balance Sheet, which showed net income of \$20,502.91 for the period December 29, 2025, to January 28, 2026, and Year-to-date net income of (\$9,274.73).

b. Liaison Reports

1. Housing Liaison – No report.

c. Representative Reports

1. Ventura County Area Agency on Aging Representative

Al Brown provided an update on the current situation at the VCAAA, noting that proposed program changes will significantly affect community resources. He explained that June 30, 2026, will be the final day the VCAAA administers the nutrition grant, and the County is now seeking another agency to take over the program. He added that the Aging & Disability Resource Center (ADRC) will also be affected.

He said he attended a Senior Job Fair at the Goebel Center in Thousand Oaks on January 21, 2026, and expressed hope that Simi Valley will host a similar event in the future.

d. Ad Hoc Committees

1. COA Dance Committee

Teri Hypes reported that 60 people attended the January dance and they were able to secure door prizes for the event. The theme for the next dance on February 20, 2026, is Valentine's Day, featuring the Zaremba band. Admission is only \$10 and includes refreshments and a dance lesson.

2. Fundraising Event Committee

Bette King said the committee is seeking sponsors and advertisers for the two upcoming fundraising concerts. The Legends of Soul concerts netted close to \$8,000. It was announced to see Bette after the meeting if you would like to be on the fundraising committee.

3. Bingo Bonanza

Janice Del Santo stated the next Bingo Bonanza will be held on March 28, 2026. Tickets are available now through March 20, 2026, for \$40, which includes lunch.

11. Continued Business – None.

12. New Business

a. Discussion/Action on a request for direction on the 2026 Wellness Expo

Motion made by Janice Del Santo and seconded by Candace Skor to discuss whether to postpone the 2026 Wellness Expo or cancel it.

Audience	6 Ayes	6 Nays	1 Abstentions
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Board	4 Ayes	5 Nays	0 Abstentions
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Motion was not approved.

Janice Del Santo made a motion to postpone the discussion on the 2026 Wellness Expo until the next COA meeting on March 9, 2026. Mark Luker seconded the motion.

Audience	9 Ayes	0 Nays	3 Abstentions
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Board	7 Ayes	0 Nays	2 Abstentions
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Motion approved.

b. Discussion/Action on a request to allocate an amount not to exceed \$10,000 to establish a Fiscal Year 2025-26 Harmony for Hunger concert budget

Motion made by Janice Del Santo and seconded by Mark Luker to approve the request.

Audience	8 Ayes	0 Nays	1 Abstentions
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Board	9 Ayes	0 Nays	0 Abstentions
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Motion approved.

c. Discussion/Action on a recommendation to invest \$160,000 of Council On Aging funds with the City's investment pool in accordance with the City of Simi Valley's financial and investment policies

Motion made by Janice Del Santo and seconded by Jamuna Ramnath.

Audience	9 Ayes	0 Nays	0 Abstentions
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Board	9 Ayes	0 Nays	0 Abstentions
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Motion approved.

13. Announcements of Upcoming COA/Senior Center Events/Programs
  - a. COA Dance, February 20, 2026
  - b. COA Bingo Bonanza, March 28, 2026
  - c. Easter Breakfast, April 5, 2026
14. Suggested agenda items for the COA meeting on Monday, March 9, 2026  
Discussion of Wellness Expo.
15. Adjournment at 2:23 p.m.



## MEMORANDUM

**DATE:** March 9, 2026  
**TO:** Simi Valley Council On Aging  
**FROM:** Lika Garg, Council On Aging Treasurer  
**SUBJECT:** PROFIT AND LOSS AND BALANCE SHEET SUMMARY

The Profit and Loss (P&L) reports (attached) summarize the Council on Aging's (COA) total income and expenses from January 29, 2026, to February 24, 2026, and Year-to-date (YTD).

During the current period, the COA received \$5,507.43 in income: \$300.00 in Designated Contribution for Meals On Wheels, \$1,300.00 for Bingo Bonanza sponsorship, Miscellaneous Revenue of \$107.63 for coffee concessions, and \$349.80 from Friday Bingo. The COA received \$2,680.00 for ticket sales for Bingo Bonanza and \$770.00 for COA dances.

The COA incurred expenses of \$4,412.85 including bookkeeping services, Community Support for the Rancho Simi Recreation and Park District 50+ Community Games, video rentals, coffee supplies, Meal Site and Senior Share food, and musician and band expenses for Meal Site events.

### January 29, 2026, to February 24, 2026 – Profit & Loss:

REVENUES:	\$ 5,507.43
EXPENSES	<u>\$ 4,412.85</u>
NET INCOME:	\$ 1,094.58

### July 1, 2025, to February 24, 2026 – YTD Profit & Loss:

REVENUES:	\$70,277.88
EXPENSES:	<u>\$79,420.37</u>
NET INCOME:	(\$ 9,142.49)

### February 24, 2026 – Balance Sheet:

The February 24, 2026, Balance Sheet (attached) shows the COA's financial solvency of \$409,759.54 with \$409,674.49 in assets and an \$85.05 credit in liabilities due to the correction of a posting error.

Staff will be available to answer any questions at the March 9, 2026, meeting.

**Simi Valley Council On Aging**  
**Profit and Loss**  
**January 29, 2026 - February 24, 2026**

Agenda Item  
No. 10.a.3.

	Total
<b>Income</b>	
<b>4 Contributed Support</b>	
4020 Designated Contribution	300.00
<b>Total for 4 Contributed Support</b>	\$300.00
<b>5 Earned Revenues</b>	
5490 Miscellaneous Revenue	1,757.43
5560 Ticket Sales	3,450.00
<b>Total for 5 Earned Revenues</b>	\$5,207.43
<b>Total for Income</b>	\$5,507.43
<b>Expenses</b>	
<b>7200 Contract Services</b>	
7540 Professional Services	528.00
<b>Total for 7200 Contract Services</b>	\$528.00
<b>8100 Operating Expenses</b>	
8125 Video Rentals	27.98
8135 Investment Charges/Losses	-85.05
<b>Total for 8100 Operating Expenses</b>	-\$57.07
<b>8500 Program Expenses</b>	
8510 Supplies	401.05
8512 Food	1,735.82
8520 Advertising	85.05
8535 Community/Club Support	1,000.00
8560 Prizes	-720.00
8580 Musicians & Bands	1,405.00
8590 Special Expenses	35.00
<b>Total for 8500 Program Expenses</b>	\$3,941.92
<b>Total for Expenses</b>	\$4,412.85
<b>Net Income</b>	\$1,094.58

Accrual Basis Wednesday, February 25, 2026 11:15 AM GMTZ

**Simi Valley Council On Aging  
Profit and Loss  
July 1, 2025 - February 24, 2026**

	<b>Total</b>
<b>Income</b>	
<b>4 Contributed Support</b>	
4010 Individual Contribution	605.00
4015 Business Contribution	1,361.40
4020 Designated Contribution	4,310.00
<b>Total for 4 Contributed Support</b>	<b>\$6,276.40</b>
<b>5 Earned Revenues</b>	
5310 Investment - Gains/Losses	2,705.82
5450 Ads and Sponsorship	12,501.00
5490 Miscellaneous Revenue	8,571.06
5560 Ticket Sales	35,023.60
5580 Table Reservations	5,200.00
<b>Total for 5 Earned Revenues</b>	<b>\$64,001.48</b>
<b>Total for Income</b>	<b>\$70,277.88</b>
<b>Expenses</b>	
<b>7200 Contract Services</b>	
7540 Professional Services	3,348.00
<b>Total for 7200 Contract Services</b>	<b>\$3,348.00</b>
<b>8100 Operating Expenses</b>	
8110 Op Exp-Supplies	857.65
8120 Advertising	1,485.86
8125 Video Rentals	223.84
8130 Membership Fees	417.65
8135 Investment Charges/Losses	1,893.87
8138 QB Payment/Banking Fees	80.18
8140 Software License/Maintenance	492.60
8180 Furniture	6,725.00
<b>Total for 8100 Operating Expenses</b>	<b>\$12,176.65</b>
<b>8500 Program Expenses</b>	
8510 Supplies	3,391.84
8512 Food	18,599.50
8520 Advertising	3,511.05
8535 Community/Club Support	5,000.00
8560 Prizes	1,033.00
8580 Musicians & Bands	24,476.38
8590 Special Expenses	7,883.95
<b>Total for 8500 Program Expenses</b>	<b>\$63,895.72</b>
<b>Total for Expenses</b>	<b>\$79,420.37</b>
<b>Net Operating Income</b>	<b>-\$9,142.49</b>

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**Balance Sheet**  
**Simi Valley Council On Aging**  
As of February 24, 2026

	<b>Total</b>
<b>Assets</b>	
<b>Bank Accounts</b>	
1105 U.S. Bank Savings (1105)	110,992.74
2203 City's Pooled Investment Fund	160,000.00
5601 U.S. Bank Checking (5601)	107,958.63
<b>Total for Bank Accounts</b>	<b>\$378,951.37</b>
12000 Undeposited Funds	26.00
<b>Total for Other Current Assets</b>	<b>\$26.00</b>
<b>Other Assets</b>	
9601 VCCF Endowment Fund	30,697.12
<b>Total for Other Assets</b>	<b>\$30,697.12</b>
<b>Total for Assets</b>	<b>\$409,674.49</b>
<b>Liabilities and Equity</b>	
<b>Credit Cards</b>	
4178 COA Corporate Account	-85.05
<b>Total for Liabilities</b>	<b>-\$85.05</b>
<b>Equity</b>	
30000 Opening Balance Equity	390,734.23
32000 Unrestricted Net Assets	28,167.80
Net Income	-9,142.49
<b>Total for Equity</b>	<b>\$409,759.54</b>
<b>Total for Liabilities and Equity</b>	<b>\$409,674.49</b>

Accrual Basis Wednesday, February 25, 2026 11:23 AM GMTZ



## MEMORANDUM

**DATE:** March 9, 2026

**TO:** Simi Valley Council On Aging

**FROM:** Nancy Garcia, Council On Aging Wellness Expo Chair

**SUBJECT:** DISCUSSION/ACTION ON A REQUEST FOR DIRECTION ON THE 2026 WELLNESS EXPO

At the February 9, 2026, Council On Aging meeting, the Executive Board did not reach a decision regarding the 2026 Wellness Expo and voted to table the item until the March 9, 2026, meeting.

The annual Wellness Expo is currently scheduled to take place on May 20, 2026, and has historically received significant support from Senior Center staff, whose support is essential to the advance planning, coordination, and execution of this large-scale event.

The Senior Center has been short-staffed since early December 2025, limiting the support available for pre-event planning and day-of coordination. Given the size and complexity of the Wellness Expo and its reliance on staff oversight, this presents challenges to execute the event in its traditional format.

Considering these circumstances, I am respectfully requesting direction from the Council On Aging regarding how to proceed. The following options are presented for consideration:

1. Postpone the Wellness Expo to a future date when the Senior Center is fully staffed and able to adequately support the significant planning and coordination required to execute the event successfully; or
2. Cancel the 2026 Wellness Expo and focus fundraising efforts elsewhere for 2026 and reallocate resources to other programs or initiatives that rely less on staff resources.

Guidance from the Board will allow the Wellness Expo Committee to move forward with clarity and ensure that any decision made aligns with the Board's expectations while maintaining the quality and integrity of this valued annual event.

Thank you for your consideration.