

Kitsap County Division of Aging & Long Term Care Advisory Council

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Advisory Council Meeting

Date: June 18, 2025

Time: 11:30am- 1:30pm (11:15am for pre-meeting technical assistance)

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A G E N D A

11:30am 1. Call To Order

2. Introduction of Council members and public members- expectations for public input
(please reference page 2 of agenda for protocol during hybrid meetings)

3. Public Comments.

4. Meeting Agenda- Approval

5. April Meeting Notes, Attachment 1- Approval

12:00pm 6. Legislative Activities

a. WA state legislative budget, Attachment 2

b. Federal impacts:

- CR passed March 14th, (\$800B Medicaid & SNAP reductions). Passed the House and currently in the Senate for consideration
- FFY 2026- President's Budget (maintains OAA 2025 funding levels), Attachment 3
- USAgings reported: Administration for Community Living (ACL) closure and re-assignment to Administration for Children & Families (ACF)

12:30pm 7. Council Workplan Goal: Combating Social Isolation- discussion

12:45pm 8. Council Member Report of Activities - Outreach form, Attachment 4

a. 1/10th Community Advisory Committee- Charmaine Scott

b. Kitsap Accessibilities & Public Works Transitions Plan- Ranae Beeker

c. Member Report of Community Outreach

1:10pm 9. Aging Services:

- 2025 Dashboard, Attachment 5- 1st quarter call volume topics
- Plans for FY 2026: Fill vacancies, expand Nurse capacity for Medicaid program, expand WA CARES staff, allocate senior nutrition funds, launch Health-Related Social Needs programs (new)

1:20pm 10. 2024 Advisory Council Business: 2025 Calendar of Events (Attachment 6)

a. Council recruitment status- OAA membership and resignation

b. July 16th picnic: 10:30am- 12:30pm; Karol's home in Keyport

1:30pm ADJOURN

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Public comment may also be submitted in advance to be read by staff or the chair during the meeting. Email comments by 12:00 p.m. the day before the meeting to Stacey Smith at sasmith@kitsap.gov

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April 16, 2025 Aging Advisory Council Meeting Minutes

Zoom

1. Convened at 11:31 a.m.

Members Present: Steve McMurdo, Laney Calhoun, Theresa Lambert, Ranae Beeker, Elizabeth Safsten, Linette Zimmerman.

Members Excused: Karol Stevens, Charmaine Scott.

Members Unexcused: None.

Guests Present: None.

Staff Present: Stacey Smith, Cristiana Fillion.

2. Public Address: None.

3. Approval of Agenda: The meeting agenda was reviewed.

- Theresa made a motion to approve the agenda, Laney seconded, and the agenda was approved.

4. Approval of Minutes:

- Laney made a motion to approve the March meeting minutes. The motion was seconded by Elizabeth. The minutes were approved.

5. Legislative Activities – State & Federal

- Steve attended a townhall in Seattle hosted by Representative Pramila Jayapal, where he voiced concerns about Governor Ferguson's proposed furloughs. Stacey explained that the caseload forecast released this month was worse than expected, and the upcoming June report may be even more concerning. A short session may be held to make adjustments, and further budget cuts could be necessary next year.
- Both the House and Senate included funding for nutrition programs in their budgets, allocating \$27.9 million over two years. Once the funds are released in

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July, ALTC will coordinate with food bank partners. Stacey anticipates receiving approximately \$450,000 annually.

- The House and Senate budgets take different approaches to furloughs. The Senate's budget mimics the governor's plan of one furlough day per month. The House budget does not include furloughs, instead it aims to roll compensation back to 2020–2022 levels, eliminating caseload funding gains over the last few years and reducing Care Transitions staffing by 0.5 FTE.
- Other expected impacts include cuts to the health-home program, paused or discontinued committees, and broader program reductions. The June revenue forecast may show a need for tax increases, and if the budget isn't finalized next week, an extended session is likely.
- At the federal level, the March 14 continuing resolution cut \$880 billion from Medicaid and \$245 billion from SNAP. DSHS is receiving daily updates from the executive branch and coordinating with the Washington State Attorney General's office. The state is focused on maintaining operations until final budget decisions are made.
- Washington is merging the Aging and Long-Term Support Administration and Developmental Disabilities Administration. Federal reductions have also decreased the Administration for Community Living regional offices from ten to five, and the IRS saw nearly 30% of its workforce resign voluntarily.
- The Senior Farmers Market Nutrition Program applications will be released next week, and applications will be accepted beginning in May.

6. Council Member Report of Activities

- The Council reviewed the new outreach form. No additional revisions. Form is final.
- a. 1/10th Community Advisory Committee- Charmaine Scott
 - Charmaine was not in attendance.
- b. Kitsap Accessibilities and Public Works Transitions Plan- Ranae Beeker
 - Ranae reported no new updates on the ADA Transition Plan. The Accessible Communities Advisory Committee is organizing an accessible walk at Harper

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Park on April 26; Ranae will share the flyer. The "Bikes for All" event is still scheduled for September 10, and details for the Clear Creek trail ride will be shared when finalized.

c. Council Member Report of Community Outreach

- Ranae attended multiple town halls and the Manette Bridge rally on April 5, where she came across Representative Emily Randall. She also attended events with Representatives Greg Nance and Terra Simmons, and Senator Drew Hansen. She also volunteered to schedule meetings with the offices of Senators Patty Murray and Maria Cantwell, as well as Representative Adam Smith. During a discussion with Cantwell's staff, she expressed concerns about Medicaid cuts, emphasizing their impact on vital services. She later sent an email to Senator Murray's team and received a response the next day. Ranae will be traveling to Washington, D.C. in June with the United Spinal Association.
- Theresa has been volunteering for Meals on Wheels Kitsap, completing routes in Bremerton, Silverdale, and Seabeck, with plans to do another this Thursday. She also participated in the Night to Shine prom for individuals with special needs. She hopes to volunteer weekly or biweekly and is trying the Bremerton route next week and hopes to build connections and support the community.
- Laney leads the Silverdale Senior Center committee researching how to expand programs, funding and a permanent location. They've been discussing the construction of a new building for the senior center and are currently trying to identify potential renters once the building is complete.
- Steve attended the Hands Off! rally in Seattle on April 5th.
- Linette expressed appreciation for the congressional contact emails and shared that she will be speaking with 250 Soroptimists next week, where she will have the opportunity to discuss the Area Agency on Aging in home long-term care services.

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7. Aging Services

- The Council reviewed the April dashboard report.
- Stacey explained that ALTC had an all-staff meeting. She explained how federal and state funding decisions do not impact the daily operations of Kitsap Aging; but may result in revisions to program capacity.
- ALTC has one open recruitment for a Medicaid case manager and may bring on a part time nurse case manager. ALTC is also looking to hire two more staff members in July, subject to new revenue contract funding.
- May is Older Americans month. Jason Doty, Information & Assistance Supervisor, is working on a workshop distribution plan. The national theme this year is “flip the script on aging.” There will be several workshops including a virtual and in-person overview of ALTC services, “Fact or Myth: Falls are Part of Normal Aging,” “Where to Turn: The Right Program for the Right Time,” and “Medicare Basics.”

8. 2024 Advisory Council Business

- a. Council Recruitment Status
 - There have been no new Council member applications.
- b. 2025 Calendar of Events was reviewed
 - The Council agreed to cancel the May meeting. Stacey stated that with all the legislative happenings, June’s meeting may be a busy one.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 1:06 p.m.

Steve McMurdo, Chair



Post 2025 Legislative Session Connect

Good afternoon! Thanks for being here. We'll get started
at 3:02 pm

Agenda

- **Introductions and Remarks from Assistant Secretary Bea Rector**
- **Successes of the 2025 Legislative Session**
 - Bills of interest
 - Group Discussion
- **Challenges of the 2025 Legislative Session**
 - Budget
 - Federal reconciliation update
 - Bills of interest
 - Group Discussion
- **Open discussion**
 - What work are you/your organization hoping to see this interim?



Introductions --- Welcome to HCLA!

Housekeeping note: This is a Zoom Webinar. If you have a question, drop it in the chat or use the 'raise hand' function. Laura will read questions out or allow folks to unmute throughout the presentation.

Success from 2025 Legislative Session

Bill Number	Title	Key Points
HB 1142 (ARL)	Standardizing basic training and certification requirements for long-term care workers who provide in-home care for their family members, including spouses or domestic partners	Regardless of administrative employer: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• In-home caregivers caring only for family members in 35 BT category, no certification required• Beginning July 1, 2026, all spouses in 21 BT category, no certification required
HB 1490 (ARL)	Concerning Fingerprint Background Checks	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Changes background check statute to better align with FBI expectations• Adds Transitional Care Facility
SB 5079 (ARL)	Addressing the burden of unintentional overpayments on older adults and adults with disabilities served by DSHS	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Allows the department to waive overpayments to clients when the overpayment is the department's fault

Success from 2025 Legislative Session

Bill Number	Title	Key Points
SB 5691	Adopting the department of social and health services report recommendations addressing a regulatory oversight plan for continuing care retirement communities	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Broader application of Consumer Protection Act in CCRC RCW• Expecting additional work in the interim with Rep. Macri and Sen Cleveland
SB 5337	Creating a Certification for Memory Care Services	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Creates new certification for ALFs operating restricted egress facilities or advertising as “memory care” facilities• Rule writing in progress, interested party meetings between July and September 2025
SB 5291	Implementing the recommendations of the long-term services and supports trust commission.	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Creates supplemental private long-term care insurance market• Allows pilot to test WA Cares systems beginning January 2026

Success from 2025 Legislative Session

Bill Number	Title	Key Points
SB 5253 (OSPI ARL)	Extending Special Education Services to Student with Disabilities until the end of the school year in which the student turns 22	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Extends public edu. services till the year student turns 22• Cost savings for HCLA (DDA)
SB 5394 (OFM ARL)	<i>Reducing the developmental disabilities administration's no-paid services caseload services</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Limits case management services for those on no paid services caseload
N/A -- Budget	Office of Civil Legal Aide legal assistance to Medicaid residents in LTSS facilities	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Allows Medicaid LTSS clients to access legal assistance for discharge/transfer related issues• CR-102 filed May 8. Public hearing is June 24 at 10 a.m.



Group Discussion

Challenges from 2025 Legislative Session -- Budget

The Good	The Not as Good
Overall budgets increased. 24% for section 204 (ALTSA), 13.5% for section 203 (DDA)	Increases to licensing fees for most licensure types (reimbursement for portions of licensing fees attributed to Medicaid beds)
Rate increases: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Adult Family Homes• Individual Providers• Home Care Aides• DD Residential Rates	Meaningful Day Program eliminated
\$27 million GF-S over biennium for Senior Nutrition Services	Significant reductions to DSHS staff– HCLA will need to eliminate approx. 220 positions (number includes some that are currently vacant)
Funding to support transitions from Rainer School to community settings	

Challenges from 2025 Legislative Session -- Bills

Bill Number	Title	Key Points
HB 1130	Concerning utilization of developmental disabilities waivers.	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Creates statutory requirements for prioritization of waiver services, different than what is currently in WAC• Requires public reporting of certain data related to waiver utilization
SB 5393	<p>Closure of Rainer School</p> <p><i>**Note: Klamath Cottage's one time funding from 2023-25 was not renewed, will cease operations July 1, 2025</i></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• As of June 30, 2027, no new admissions to Rainer School• Limited readmissions for clients who had transitioned from the school to the community and want to come back• Full closure when census reaches zero

Challenges- Federal Uncertainty

- House passed reconciliation bill, H.R. 1, *One Big Beautiful Bill Act* yesterday.
 - Significant cuts to many social programs, including Medicaid
- Reconciliation process allows for bills to pass the Senate by simple majority
- If H.R. 1 passes, State will need to figure out what to do with gaps in funding it creates



Group Discussion

Open Discussion

Lessons learned during this session? Good things? Bad things?

What are you hoping to see worked on this interim?

What are you/your organization working on ahead of 2026?

Use raise hand function, and Laura will allow you to unmute in the order that hands pop up

Wrap up



Thank you!



FY 2022-2025 Labor/HHS Appropriations

As of May 30, 2025 (Dollars in thousands)

Increases over prior year final funding are noted in **BOLD**. Decreases are noted in *italics*. For the FY 2026 President's budget, asterisks denote where the budget rounded numbers up or down—this shouldn't result in any actual losses or gains.

Older Americans Act and Other Key Aging Programs	FY 2022 Enacted Mar. 2022	FY 2023 Enacted Dec. 2022	FY 2024 Enacted 3.23.24	FY 2025 House Comm. 7.9.24	FY 2025 Senate Comm. 8.1.24	FY 2025 Continuing Resolution Enacted 3.14.25	FY 2026 President's Budget 5.30.25
Title III							
B: Supportive Services & Centers	398,574	410,000	410,000	415,000	410,000	410,000	410,000
C1: Congregate Meals	515,342	540,342	565,342	<i>543,342</i>	565,342	565,342	\$1,100* combined
C2: Home-Delivered Meals	291,342	366,342	381,342	<i>366,342</i>	381,342	381,342	\$1,100* combined
NSIP	160,069	160,069	<i>112,000</i>	132,000	112,000	112,000	\$1,100* combined
D: Preventive Health	24,848	26,339	26,339	26,339	26,339	26,339	26,000*
E: Family Caregivers Support	193,936	205,000	207,000	210,000	209,000	207,000	207,000
Title V SCSEP (DOL)	405,000	405,000	405,000	0	405,000	405,000	0
Title VI							
A: Grants to Indians	36,264	38,264	38,264	42,264	38,264	38,264	38,000*
C: Native American Caregivers	11,306	12,000	12,000	16,000	12,000	12,000	12,000
Title VII							
Ombudsman/Elder Abuse	24,658	26,658	26,658	26,658	26,658	26,658	27,000*
Elder Rights Support + APS	18,874	33,874	33,874	<i>18,874</i> [no APS]	33,874	33,874	34,000*
Title II							
Aging Network Support Activities	18,461	30,461	30,461	<i>21,796</i>	30,461	30,461	30,000*
ADRCs	8,119	8,619	8,619	8,619	8,619	8,619	9,000*
Program Admin.	42,063	47,063	48,063	49,063	48,063	48,063	Unclear
RDE Center		5,000	5,000	5,000	Unclear	5,000	Unclear
Other AoA/ACL Programs							
State Health Insurance Asst. Program	53,115	55,242	55,242	55,242	55,242	55,242	55,000*
Community Care Corps	4,000	5,500	TBD	0	Unclear	Unclear	Unclear
CDSMP	8,000	8,000	8,000	8,000	8,000	8,000	0
Alzheimer's Disease Program Initiative	29,500		31,500	31,500	31,500	31,500	<i>17,000*</i>
Elder Falls Prevention	5,000	7,500	7,500	7,500	7,500	7,500	<i>3,000*</i>
Lifespan Respite Care	8,110	10,000	10,000	10,000	11,500	10,000	10,000
Senior Medicare Patrol			35,000	35,000	35,000	35,000	35,000
Other HHS							
Social Services Block Grant	1,700,000	1,700,000	1,700,000	1,700,000	1,700,000	1,700,000	1,700,000
Community Services Block Grant	755,000	804,383	804,383	<i>780,000</i>	<i>770,000</i>	804,383	0
LIHEAP: Low-Income Home Energy Assist.	3,800,304	4,000,000	4,025,000	4,040,000	4,125,000	4,025,000	0
CNCS: AmeriCorps Seniors	230,768	236,917	TBD	Likely level funded	236,917	Unclear	0

Aging Advisory Council Community Outreach Tracking Form

Month: _____

Name: _____

Summary of Activities

Date of Activity	Describe Activity: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> AC Meeting Community outreach or event (name) Social Media/Email Material Dissemination Advocacy Alert Action Other: Describe 	Topic: (optional) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> General Aging Info (programs, services or events) General Caregiver Info (programs, services or events) Memory Loss Other: Describe 	Total Duration of Time (include prep & travel)	Approx. number of individuals reached (per activity), as applicable

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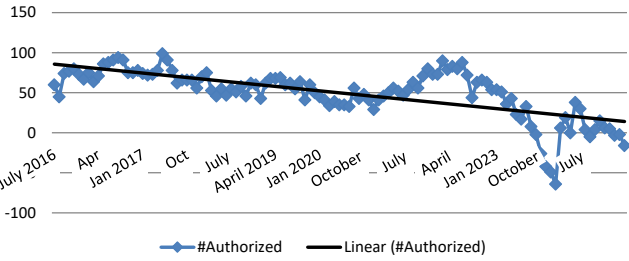
Please complete and return to Aging by the 5th of each month -mail or attach to an email.

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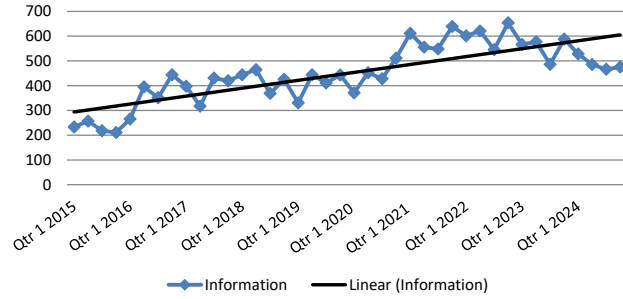
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Aging & Long Term Care Advisory Council Dashboard- June 2025

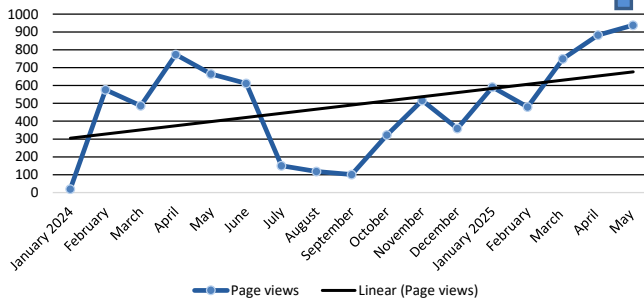
* Medicaid Opportunity Gap #Projected minus #Authorized



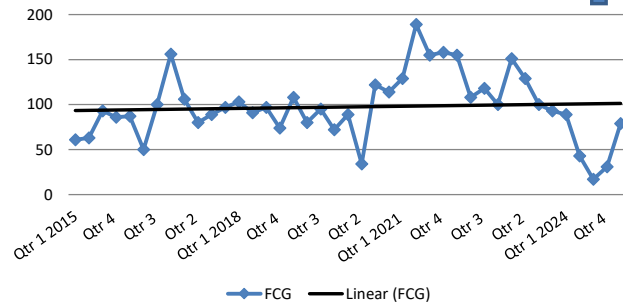
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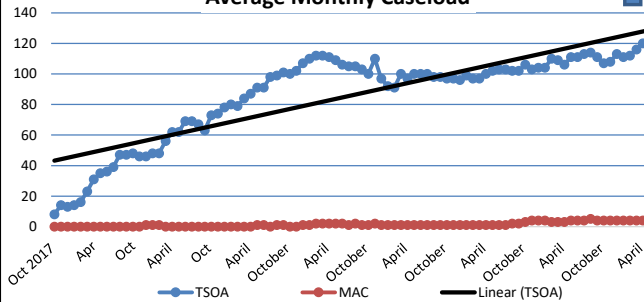
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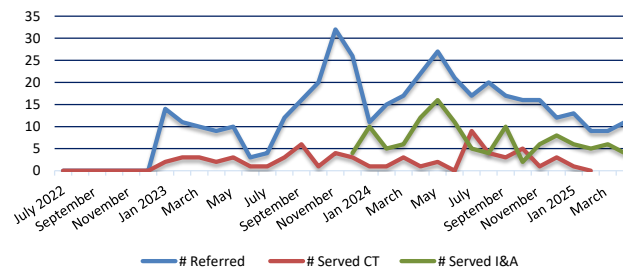
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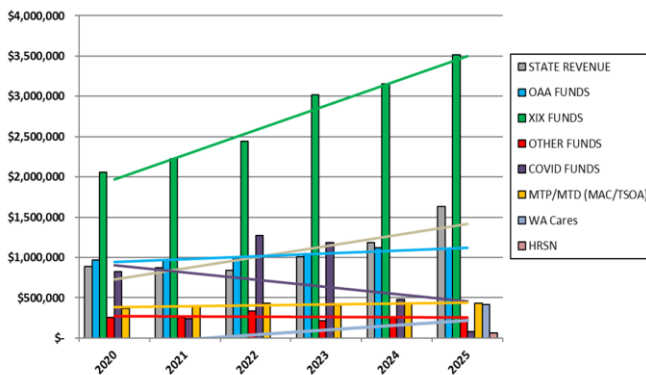
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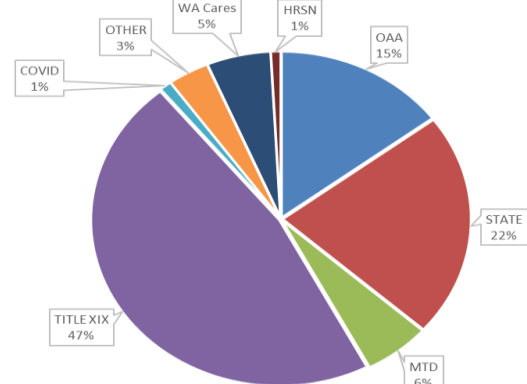
Hospital Care Transitions Older Adults



TOTAL REVENUE: \$7,511,466



AGING & LTC REVENUE: 2025



* 1,146 caseload max

Community Outreach Activities:

June 5: Silverdale Senior Center, 1:00-2:00pm (Jason)
June 25: Bainbridge Island Caregiver Volunteers (Jason)
July 16: Presentation at Kitsap DDA Advisory Council
meeting (Jason) September 13: Suicide Awareness Walk

2025 Advisory Council Meetings & Activities

January 13	WA Legislature Begins (ends April 27, 2025)
January 15	* Advisory Council from 11:30am- 1:30pm
January 21	* w4a Legislative Training Webinar (Noon-1:00pm)
January 29	* Advisory Council Legislative Planning meeting (10:00-11:00am)
February 4-7:	* w4a Advocacy Days (appointments with elected officials)
February 19 (Wed)	* Advisory Council from 11:30am- 1:30pm
February 20:	* Virtual Spring Senior Lobby event
March 19 (Wed)	* Advisory Council from 11:30am- 1:30pm Topic: PW Accessibility Taskforce, Christy DeGeus
April 16 (Wed)	* Advisory Council from 11:30am- 1:30pm
May 21 (Wed)	* Advisory Council from 11:30am- 1:30pm
May Workshops TBD	<u>May Older Adults Virtual Workshops</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • May 8th- Kitsap Aging Services presentation, Kingston Library • May 14th Fall Prevention presentation, Silverdale Library • May 16th Kitsap Aging Services presentation, zoom • May 21st Kitsap Aging Caregiver Programs Overview, Port Orchard Library • May 29th- Medicare Basics, Port Orchard Library
June 18 (Wed)	* Advisory Council from 11:30am- 1:30pm
July 16 (Wed)	Optional Picnic
August 20 (Wed)	* Advisory Council from 11:30am- 1:30pm
September 17 (Wed)	* Advisory Council from 11:30am- 1:30pm Tentative Topic: PSRC Transportation, Coordinated Mobility Plan Jean Kim
October 15 (Wed)	* Advisory Council from 11:30am- 1:30pm CANCELLED 2024 AAA & State Council on Aging (SCOA) Conference
October 17 TBD	2024 Fall Senior Lobby Conference
November TBD	Kitsap Caregiver Fall Caregiver Workshops
November 19 (Wed)	* Advisory Council from 11:30am-1:30pm
December 17 (Wed)	* Advisory Council from 11:30am- 1:30pm

*Indicates zoom meeting; hybrid in-person available (as requested)

In-person meeting location: (South Kitsap) Givens Community Center, Cascade Room