



Aging, Disability, and Veterans Services Division
Aging Services Advisory Council (ASAC)
 Tuesday, October 21, 2025, 10:00 am – 12:00 pm
 Five Oak Building, 209 SW 4th Ave, Portland, OR 97204
 Pine Room, 1st floor

Zoom link: <https://multco-us.zoom.us/j/94294725561?pwd=8ZEEiVfu9sCg74q4yUeayQEF5HVkl2.1>

Meeting ID: 942 9472 5561 – Passcode: Sac.2025

Time	Agenda Item	Lead
Attendees:	John Halfmoon, Dave Daley, Anne Lindsay, Lawrence Macy, Monique Torres, Scott Moore, Lauren Moran	
Members		
ADVSD	Cheri Becerra, John Henry Crippen, Deric Anderson, Alex Garcia Lugo, Marina Khalina, Lars Fujisato, Jason Normand, Kennedy Concepcion, Jeremy Nguyen, Hayden Farris, Nicole Galport, Irma Jimenez	
Guests		
10:00	Meeting open for sign on	All
10:00	Opening – Zoom review, microphone use, accessibility, and land acknowledgment Introductions – Please share your name and pronouns. What is something that makes you happy/smile? Meeting goals – <i>call for public testimony</i>	Alex Garcia Lugo
10:20 30 min	Aging, Disability Resource Connection (ADRC) • Update on Open Enrollment and SHIBA Appointments/Scheduling - John Henry shared that Open Enrollment started on October 15th and will consist of 15 events, which will take place at public libraries, SE branch, and East branch. At events, people can meet with SHIBA volunteer counselors to discuss Medicare plans. SHIBA has done radio ads, targeted mailers, print ads, press releases, and have posters that come in 11 different languages. Appointments have filled up fast and there are only nine appointments remaining (at the time of meeting). 1-800 Medicare and the state SHIBA line are other resources for people. The SHIBA program has been improving and scheduling has become easier. SHIBA has a survey for people to complete after appointments to reflect on their experience. Survey results have been great and will allow the program to continue to improve. - Anne said she is a volunteer and likes the new scheduling	Emily Berndt

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	tool. Although it's open enrollment, SHIBA is also doing normal appointments for people moving to Medicare for the first time. There is a Medicare class at MT. Hood Community College which has been a great resource.		
Next Steps and Action Items •			
10:50	Break		
11:05 20 min	Follow up: OPI-M - Marina shared that in July, we completed the move of the OPIM consumers from Partner agencies to the Community Services team and continue moving consumers from OPI-classic to OPI-M. As the state has decreased the budget for OPI-Classic, we need to stay on target for moving consumers to OPI-M. We have approved 278 people for OPI-M with 509 referrals and 115 pending cases. Our target date to move everyone is by April of 2026. - Dave asked if we have the funds to move those people over to OPI-M? - Marina said in preparation for OPI-M, we have front loaded the program and have funding until April of next year. There is also a projection that 60-100 consumers might be left on OPI-Classic, however if there are more than 60-100 consumers remaining, services will need to be reduced after April 2026.		Marina Khalina
Next Steps and Action Items •			
11:25 5 min	Age Friendly business certification program - Jacob said the team received feedback on this project, including launching it as a pilot, which is what will be done. The team is also reaching out to people from Elders in Action for details on their former program, and the team will also reach out to the district centers. In the future, we are wanting to ask people to form a focus group for this project.		Jacob Mestman

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	- Anne shared that she is a part of a nonprofit village which is freestanding, and there are other villages throughout the county. Members often make recommendations and have age friendly suggestions. Villages might be helpful with this project. - Lauren mentioned that she also knows of a village and thinks it would be interesting to hear from one. - Jacob said the team will be working to vet people and businesses. We aren't wanting to do a checklist anymore because we don't want to screen people or businesses in or out. - Dave asked if this certification includes aging-friendly hiring and staffing practices. - Jacob responded that this project is not for employee practices, but rather for customers. There are other certifications for hiring practices. - Irma said we would need to make sure that is legal, but we need to stay in our scope and focus on the consumer aspect.		
Next Steps and Action Items ● Contact a village to present at an ASAC meeting (Anne and Lauren have contacts).			
11:30 15 min	State of Oregon and Federal changes to the budget (SNAP) - Irma said SNAP benefit change on November 1st, including the possible halt of benefits. There are updates to H.R.1 regarding able-bodied people without dependents. People will need to meet work requirements (80 hours), and if they don't meet requirements after 3 months they will lose benefits. Refugees will not meet requirements moving forward, and anyone receiving utilities/energy assistance will see a reduction in benefits. - Marina shared that energy assistance does not count towards income and will not reduce benefits by putting people over the income limit. - Irma said we are expecting an increased amount of foot traffic in the branches. Food banks are also preparing for an increase in people. - Marina shared the governor's office has issued resources,		Irma Jimenez/ Marina Khalina

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	including the state Food Finder and ADRC contact information. Meals at senior centers and Meals on Wheels will continue as normal. - Dave asked if there are disabilities that are exempted from the cuts. - Marina responded that SNAP has their own disability criteria and it is different from SSA criteria which is more restrictive. More people are considered disabled under SNAP criteria vs SSA criteria. - Irma said that backpay might not happen, but when the shutdown reopens they will likely receive their normal amount for that month. - Marina shared that according to the state's FAQ section, Payments will be backpaid. - Irma said we just went through a budget exercise for a rebalance. There aren't many changes to ADVSD, although vacant positions have been reduced, and we saw a slight increase in the budget. The State is doing a 5% reduction, and there is an exercise for where the reductions will be. - Dave asked to what extent are we exposed to those general APD cuts? - Jacob said that according to O4AD, it could impact AAA's by paying a step 4 instead of a step 5, which is lower than what the County pays. We buy Medicaid dollars and many of our programs are funded by Medicaid. By reducing Medicaid, that will reduce general funds. We won't know the full impact until February. There might be County general fund reductions since there is a cap on property taxes and an increase in inflation. We are still trying to find out what this all means. - Dave gave a reminder that we need to be watchful that the federal government doesn't take too much money from APD. - Jacob shared there are unknowns that we are trying to prepare for. - Irma said we are also trying to prepare for our next fiscal year. Our budget forecast is expected to come out soon.		
Next Steps and Action Items ●			

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11:45 10 min	Public testimony– if time was requested during agenda review. - Scott shared that because the federal cuts are coming in different waves, it is destabilizing all of these programs and the whole system. It is affecting the communities we serve and we need to stay aware.		Alex Garcia Lugo
Next Steps and Action Items ●			
11:55	Closing and check out		
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12:00 pm	Adjourn!		

Upcoming Meetings:

- ASAC: Nov 18, 2025
- DSAC: Nov 20, 2025

Common acronyms used in ASAC Meetings – While we strive to avoid acronyms and jargon here are some you may hear in ASAC meetings

- ADRC - Aging, Disability Resource Connection (Center)
- ADVSD - Aging, Disability and Veterans Services Division, DCHS
- APD - Aging and People with Disabilities, Oregon Department of Human Services
- APS - Adult Protective Services
- ASAC - Aging Services Advisory Council
- BIPOC - Black, Indigenous, and other People of Color
- DCHS - Department of County Human Services (Multnomah)
- DSAC - Disability Services Advisory Council
- LTSS - Long Term Services and Supports
- NEMT - Non-Emergent Medical Transportation
- O4AD - Oregon Association of Area Agencies on Aging and Disabilities
- OAA - Older Americans Act
- ODHS - Oregon Department of Human Services (also called DHS)
- OPI and OPI-M - Oregon Project Independence (- Medicaid)
- SHIBA - Senior Health Insurance Benefits Assistance



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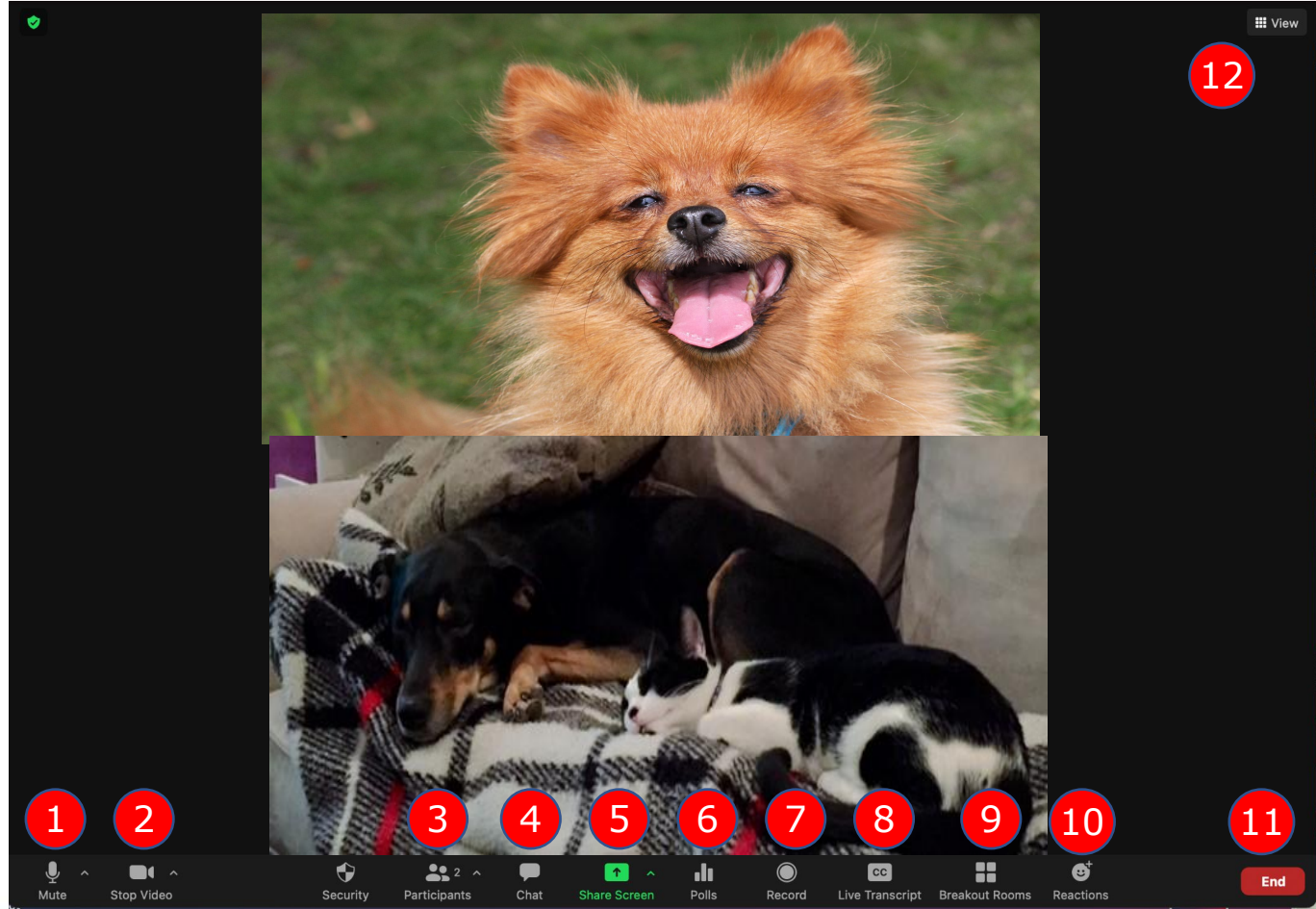
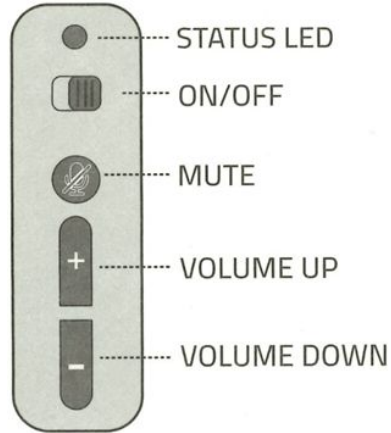
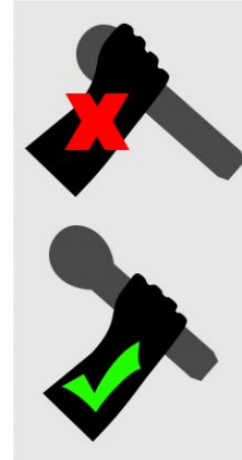


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- Taking time on slides.
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Land acknowledgement

We are located in Portland, Oregon, Multnomah county.

Today, we honor the Indigenous people whose traditional and ancestral homelands we stand on—the Multnomah, Kathlamet, Clackamas, Tumwater, Watlala bands of the Chinook, the Tualatin Kalapuya and many other Indigenous nations of the Columbia River.

It is important we acknowledge the ancestors of this place and to recognize that we are here because of the sacrifices forced upon them.

In remembering these communities, we honor their legacy, their lives, and their descendants.

Meeting goals

- Welcome and accessibility.
- Land acknowledgement.
- Introductions: members, County staff, and guests.
- OPI-M Follow up
- Age Friendly business certification program.
- State of Oregon and Federal Changes to the budget (SNAP)
- Public testimony.
- Future meetings.



Quick introductions

Please share:

- Your name
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- Prompt

What is something that makes you happy/smile?



OPI-M Follow Up

- Marina K.



Age Friendly Business Certification Follow Up

- Jacob Mestman / Alex Garcia Lugo





**I'M TAKING
A BREAK**

15-minute break

State of Oregon and Federal Changes to the Budget

- Irma Jimenez, Marina K.



Public testimony and council updates

- Please feel free to provide comments.



Reminders

- Please remember to answer Deric timely.
Transportation and food for in-person meetings must be completed several days in advance.



Wrap-up

- Thanks for attending!
- Next meeting — November 18, 2025
 - 10am-noon

