



**NOTES FROM MIDDLE INCOME SENIOR OPPORTUNITIES (MISO) COMMITTEE MEETING  
 May 24, 2021**

**Commissioners Present: Dimas-Kahn (Chair), Barr, McMullin, Uhl Excused: Hastie  
 Staff Present: Anna Sawamura Board of Supervisors Liaison: Ann O'Brien  
 Public: Sandra Lang**

1. Call to Order	Chair Dimas-Kahn called the meeting to order at 8:31 a.m.
2. Public Comments	Ms. Lang voiced her support of the committee in addressing food insecurity by older adults in the County. The needs of GPD participants after the programs ends is important and she hopes to hear of what will be available for them.
3. Notes Taker	Commissioner Barr volunteered to take meeting notes.
4. Approve Agenda	Moved by Commissioner Uhl; Commissioner Barr seconded. Approved by the committee.
5. Approve April Minutes	Moved by Commissioner Barr; Commissioner McMullin seconded with edits. Approved by the committee.
6. Work Plan Update about the GPD Program	Ms. Sawamura provided update on the GPD phone surveys being conducted: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 500 have been completed providing a GPD “sample group” of respondents. 50% request meal delivery assistance</li> <li>• 50% request grocery delivery assistance</li> <li>• 50% expressed they were experiencing difficulty in meeting their food needs prior to the pandemic</li> <li>• 1/3 of all respondents felt they could return to relying on family and friends to help them when the program ends</li> <li>• For many in the program, the GPD program has highlighted a great new way to receive food</li> <li>• Request has been made to FEMA through CAL OES for a three month notification prior to the program ending to allow for planning and transition to other food support for those in need.</li> <li>• Current nutrition providers are a potential option but funding will need to be secured to increase their production and delivery capacity.</li> <li>• After reviewing current data, Chair Dimas Kahn highlighted that Daly City, South San Francisco and Redwood City have the largest number of recipients.</li> <li>• A Concept paper is being submitted by the planning committee to the County to identify if potential support can be provided at the County level</li> </ul>
7a. May 14 <sup>th</sup> MPA Event	Chair Dimas Kahn shared with the committee that the Master Plan on Aging event on May 14 <sup>th</sup> included mention of the MISO committee by many of the elected officials including Supervisor Canepa who was a supporter of MISO from its inception in 2019. Kudos to Supervisor Canepa and Ann O'Brien were



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	expressed by the committee. Food insecurity was highlighted making it an important item for advocacy for funding by this committee.
7b. May 18 <sup>th</sup> BoS Meeting	Chair Dimas Kahn asked for input from committee members who were able to attend the May 18 <sup>th</sup> BoS meeting where the CoA Annual report was presented by CoA Chairperson Hastie. Commissioner Barr shared her thoughts that the presentation was excellent. She was able to promote and advocate for MISO work plans item 2, highlighting food insecurity.
7c. Emergency Preparedness Information for GPD participants	Commissioner Uhl is completing the documents for the Emergency Resources to be distributed to GPD participants and it will include the importance/need for a safe water supply. The goal is to have it ready for review before the target mailing at the end of June. She will be contacting and working with Ms. Sawamura to format the document for the mailing.
8. Adjournment	Meeting adjourned at 9:41 AM Next meeting: June 28, 2021