

Senior Advisory Board

Outstanding Accomplishments

- A review and assessment of the City's transportation programs involved the Board in completing a survey and discussing possible changes to the Cityline route and expansion of Dial-a-Ride destinations and service hours. The Board advised on standardized eligibility for the various transportation programs.
- Promoted Senior Month in May through:
- --- Hosting the Senior Health Fair at Plummer Park attended by 500 people who received health screenings,
- immunizations, exercise demonstrations, and information from community organizations; --- Honoring the outstanding civic contributions of Barbara Hammaker, Nadia Sutton and Sybil Zaden at the annual awards luncheon;
- --- Participation in Senior Buzz, the periodic City Cable show by and about seniors;
- --- Senior Moments, the ninth edition of a literary publication of writings by seniors.
- Continued advocacy for expanded afforable housing options in the City. The West Hollywood Housing Corporation sought the Board's input on pending projects.
- The Board and the Disability Advisory Board reviewed options for enhancements to technology and equipment at the new Clty Library to improve access for seniors and people living with disabilities.
- Received presentations on community services which enhance people's ability to remain independent in their own homes, improve public health, and provide cultural and educational opportunities.
- Advised the City's Transportation and Mobility staff on proposed intersection improvements and enhancements for pedestrian safety.
- Regularly attended other Board and Commission meetings, City Council, Neighborhood Watch, and community political organizations. The Senior Advisory Board continues to have an exemplary attendance record at its meetings.

Looking Forward

- Board members will work to ensure that issues affecting seniors continue to be a City priority.
- The Board will participate in the Community Study process, in interviews and focus groups to provide information on the needs of seniors.
- Board members will advocate for and remain informed about affordable housing issues in the City, transportation programs, and community services so that issues effecting seniors continue to be a City priority.
- Acting as liaisons to the community, the Board will engage in outreach activities to educate people about available social services and advocate for comprehensive services to allow people to remain independent.
- Advocate for accessibility improvements for seniors and other community members with disabilities.
- The Board will continue to host events which provide public health information, screenings, and community services for seniors.
- Members are interested in advising on improvements to Plummer Park.
- The Board will continue to provide feedback about the City's subsidized transportation programs to enhance options for seniors.
- The Board will keep well informed about safety issues affecting seniors and provide community information to encourage emergency preparedness.