



# TACC – TRIPLE-A COUNCIL OF CALIFORNIA

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To: Executive Directors of Area Agencies on Aging  
From: Hav Staggs, President

Subj: Summary of March TACC meeting.

Sandi Fitzpatrick suggested that I send a short summary of each TACC meeting to the heads of all 33 AAAs. This is the first report.

TACC met March 15-16 in Sacramento. Present were representatives of 18 PSAs: 1, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 10, 12, 13, 15, 17, 18, 19, 20, 22, 23, 25, and 28.

We were treated to three excellent presentations:

Christina Mills-Hovious, Systems Change Network Statewide Community Organizer for the California Foundation for Independent Living Centers (CFILC), gave a thorough overview of the range of services provided by independent living centers and discussed the current statewide priorities of CFILC. Websites of interest are [www.calsilc.org](http://www.calsilc.org) and [www.cfilc.org](http://www.cfilc.org).

Don Thomas, Housing Policy Analyst with the State Department of Housing and Community Development presented a *Planning 101* session and discussed the process for creating the Housing Element of the General Plans required of cities and counties

Mary Pat Toups, an Emeritus Attorney, described her efforts to get legislation passed in California that would create "Revocable Transfer-on-Death Beneficiary Deeds" for real property. For seniors whose primary estate value is in their home, this type of deed would make expensive trusts unnecessary and avoid the expense of probate upon the death of the property owner.

Sandi Fitzpatrick, Executive Director of the California Commission on Aging, reported that the next meeting of the Commission would be April 24, 2006 in Concord in conjunction with the Coordinated Leadership Conference. (The next TACC meeting will be the same date and place.) The Commission and TACC will have a joint reception that evening. On April 25<sup>th</sup>, the Commission and the State Independent Living Council (SILC) will jointly conduct a Public Hearing.

The main theme of the reports from all PSAs in attendance was the upcoming CSL election and the difficulty in many PSAs of attracting candidates.