Economic Impact of an Age-Friendly City

More than 200 “aging professionals’ gathered at the San José City Hall Rotunda to hear from John Feather, national spokesperson on aging, about the economic benefits of an aging population for Santa Clara County cities. Feather showed data that seniors as a group spend more and use fewer taxpayer services like school and transportation than other age groups. According to studies done in Atlanta and Kansas City strategies that make the region more attractive for seniors could add thousands of jobs and millions of dollars to the region’s economy.

To view the presentation go to www.sccgov.org/daas

AGENDA AT A GLACE

Registration
Welcoming Remarks
James Ramoni, Dept. of Aging & Adult Svcs. Director
Sam Liccardo, City of San José Mayor
Judy Chirco, Age-Friendly San José Chair
Age-friendly Report
♦ Accomplishments
♦ Survey Results
Keynote Speaker:
John Feather, PhD, Grantmakers in Aging
Economic Impact of an Age-Friendly City
Launch of Dementia Friends
Dave Cortese, Santa Clara County, Board of Supervisors

Supervisor Cortese kicks off Dementia Friends

Board of Supervisors’ President, Dave Cortese announced that Santa Clara County will join the national Dementia Friends USA with the goal of 5,000 registered Dementia Friends by 2018.

Dementia Friends USA is a global movement that is changing the way people think, act and talk about dementia. Developed by the Alzheimer’s Society in the United Kingdom, the Dementia Friends initiative is underway in the USA. By helping everyone in a community understand what dementia is and how it affects people, each of us can make a difference for people touched by dementia.

You can become a Dementia Friend by watching a series of online videos and committing to take action. This takes less than 10 minutes. Go to www.dementiafriendsusa.org and help us reach our goal.
Special **THANK YOU** to the following for contributing to the Seniors’ Agenda Network Summit:

**Congratulations to San José on becoming an Age-Friendly City!**

**SAVE THE DATE!**
Next Network Summit:
**August 30, 2017**

**Upcoming Events**

Join us on Wednesday, **April 5th** as we present Dr. Bill Thomas’ #ChangingAging Tour at Montgomery Theatre, 217 S. Market St., San Jose, CA 95113. Featuring Disrupt Dementia, a community-based workshop, and Dr. Thomas’ signature “non-fiction theater” performance, Life’s Most Dangerous Game, featuring the unconventional pairing of physician (Dr. Thomas) and musician, Nate Silas Richardson. For tickets visit: [www.changingaging.org/tour](http://www.changingaging.org/tour)

Each **May**, our nation celebrates Older Americans Month (OAM).

**Age Out Loud**—This theme shines a light on many important trends. More than ever before, older Americans are working longer, trying new things, and engaging in their communities. This is a perfect opportunity to recognize and celebrate what getting older looks like today.

Starting **May 25th**, Senior Safari Walkabout begins their 4th year: Exclusively for ages 50 and over. This event will occur at Happy Hollow Park & Zoo on the 4th Thursday from 9:00AM – 10:00AM, May through October. For more information visit: [www.hhpz.org](http://www.hhpz.org)