**Older Americans Act dollars distributed to continue the support of vital programs for seniors and caregivers in Santa Clara County**

**San Jose, July 11, 2016:** Sourcewise has announced 15 Request For Proposal (RFP) awards to Santa Clara County nonprofits totaling $2,580,275 for the fiscal year 2016–2017. RFP's were awarded to organizations offering Adult Day Care/Health, Case Management, Legal Assistance, Transportation, Nutrition, Disease Prevention & Health Promotion, Elder Abuse Prevention, and Ombudsman Services—all available to low-income seniors, persons with disabilities, and informal caregivers.

“Sourcewise grantees are vital in supporting our target demographic and have demonstrated a track record of being able to provide services effectively throughout Santa Clara County.” said Stephen Schmoll, Chief Executive Officer of Sourcewise.

The request for proposal process happens every four years, after Sourcewise unveils its Area Plan on Aging. The [2016–2020 Area Plan on Aging](http://www.mysourcewise.com/sites/default/files/FinalDRAFT-Sourcewise_2016-2020_AreaPlanOnAging.pdf) provides a comprehensive needs assessment of seniors, those with disabilities, and their caregivers in Santa Clara County.

Top priorities of the 2016–2020 Area Plan on Aging are:

1. Services associated with the access to: transportation health services; case management
2. In-Home Support Services
3. Legal Services
4. Primarily low-income seniors: those falling below the federal poverty line; and those above the federal poverty but below the Elder Economic Security Standard Index.
5. Older, primarily minority individuals with limited English-language speaking abilities
6. Frail or isolated older adults
7. Informal (unpaid) caregivers for older adults
8. Seniors experiencing abuse

“We look forward to working with our partners to continue to provide services that enhance the quality of life for seniors in Santa Clara County. We believe that each of these grants will advance each organization’s mission and help to promote independence and empowerment for seniors in our community,” shared Manuel Altamirano, Chief Operating Officer of Sourcewise.

We are proud to announce 2016–2017 Grantees [online](http://www.mysourcewise.com/our-grantees).

About Sourcewise:

Sourcewise is an independent 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization is primarily funded by federal support though the Older American’s Act. The organization’s mission is to provide adults and their caregivers the tools and services they need to effectively navigate their health and life options. Through a comprehensive network of resources, Sourcewise strives to educate, prepare, support, and advocate for all adults, their families, and their caregivers within Santa Clara County. Direct programs and services include: Information & Awareness, Health Insurance Counseling & Advocacy, Meals On Wheels, Senior Employment Services, Care Management, and Public Authority Services.

If you are interested in learning more about the services offered by Sourcewise, please visit [www.mysourcewise.com](http://www.mysourcewise.com/meals-wheels), or call (408) 350-3200, option 1. To support the programs offered by Sourcewise, visit <http://www.mysourcewise.com/commitment>.

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