



OC OFFICE ON AGING

Monthly Newsletter

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WHO ARE WE?

The Orange County (OC) Office on Aging is committed to enhancing the quality of life for older adults in our community. Our mission is to ensure older adults in Orange County can age with dignity and independence while enjoying a high quality of life. We provide comprehensive services, resources, and advocacy to support this goal. For more information, please visit our website or contact us directly:



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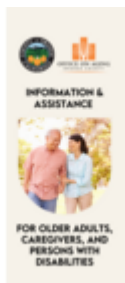


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Online Resources Directory

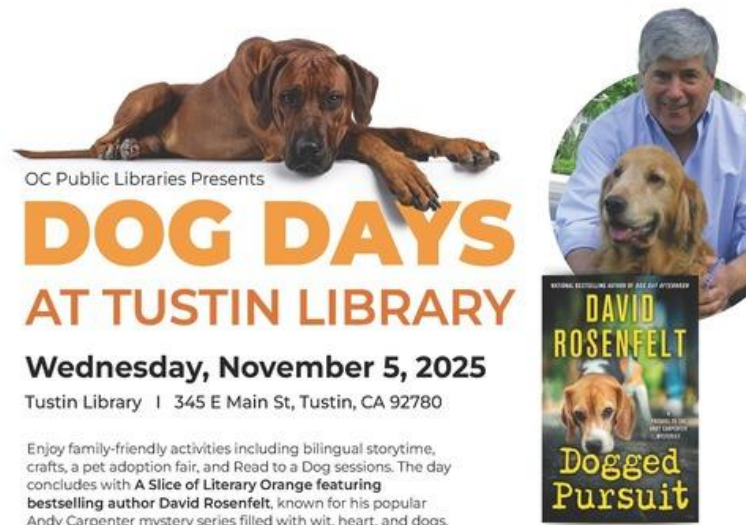
Looking for support or services? Our free [Online Resources Directory](#) makes it easy to search for what you need. Find information related to caregiver support, in-home care, legal aid, and more!



Updated Office on Aging Brochure

We have refreshed our information & Assistance brochure to better highlight the services and resources available to older adults, caregivers, and people with disabilities in Orange County. Download it here: [Office on Aging I&A Brochure](#)

UPCOMING COMMUNITY EVENTS



OC Public Libraries Presents

DOG DAYS AT TUSTIN LIBRARY

Wednesday, November 5, 2025
Tustin Library | 345 E Main St, Tustin, CA 92780

Enjoy family-friendly activities including bilingual storytime, crafts, a pet adoption fair, and Read to a Dog sessions. The day concludes with **A Slice of Literary Orange** featuring bestselling author **David Rosenfelt**, known for his popular Andy Carpenter mystery series filled with wit, heart, and dogs.

10:30 – 11:00 AM A special pet-themed bilingual Spanish storytime in the Children's Area
11:00 – 11:30 AM Children's craft in the Children's Area
2:00 – 4:00 PM Pet Adoption Event with OC Animal Care on the Children's Patio
4:00 – 5:00 PM DIY: No-Sew Blankets and Heating Socks in the Teen Area
5:00 – 6:00 PM Read to a Dog with OC Animal Allies in the Teen Area
6:30 – 7:30 PM A Slice of Literary Orange – David Rosenfelt at Clifton C. Miller Community Center

For more information, call (714) 566-3072 or visit ocpl.org
 This project is funded in part through a grant from the California Department of Aging and administered locally by the Orange County Office on Aging.



Dog Days At Tustin Library and Clifton C. Miller Community Center* (OC Office on Aging in partnership with OC Public Libraries)

About: Enjoy family-friendly activities including bilingual storytime, crafts, a pet adoption fair, and Read to a Dog sessions. The day concludes with A Slice of Literary Orange featuring bestselling author David Rosenfelt, known for his popular Andy Carpenter mystery series filled with wit, heart, and dogs.

Location **1** - **Tustin** **Library**
When: November 5, 2025, from 10:30 a.m. - 6 p.m.
Where: 345 E. Main St., Tustin, CA 92780

Location **2** - **Clifton C. Miller** **Community Center**
When: November 5, 2025, from 6:30 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.
Where: 300 Centennial Way, Tustin, CA 92780

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Health Insurance Counseling and Advocacy Program (HICAP): What's New in 2026

About: Medicare is often complex and confusing. HICAP offers unbiased Medicare information and education to help older adults understand their Medicare benefits.

When: November 18, 2025, from 1 p.m. to 2 p.m.

Where: St. Johns Manor, 2031 Orange Ave., Costa Mesa, CA 92627

For more information, visit www.coasc.org/hicapcounseling/ or call (714) 560-0424.



Dayle McIntosh Center: Housing Workshops Social Security Disability Insurance (SSDI) Eligibility / Appeals

About: Learn how Social Security pays benefits to people who can't work because of a medical condition that's expected to last at least one year or result in death. Certain members of your family may be eligible for benefits based on your work history.

When: November 18, 2025, at 2 p.m.

Where: Online

RSVP by emailing housing@daylemc.org or call (714) 621-3300.

Event information is provided for informational purposes only. The County makes no guarantee as to the accuracy of the event content and assumes no responsibility or liability.

NEWS



National Family Caregivers Month

National Family Caregivers Month, observed each November, honors the millions of unpaid family caregivers across the United States. This month is dedicated to recognizing the unwavering commitment of those who provide daily care and support to loved ones facing health challenges, disabilities, or the effects of aging. As caregiving impacts millions of individuals, it is essential to acknowledge their vital role and advocate for the support they need and deserve.

Find caregiver resources through Office on Aging's Information & Assistance Call Center by calling **(714) 480-6450**.



Orange County Transportation Authority (OCTA) New Wave Fare System

OCTA launched its new Wave fare payment system on October 15, 2025. The system uses a contactless reloadable smart card and a mobile app for easy, account-based payment. Paper passes are no longer sold onboard. You can still pay with cash for single rides (exact change only).

Learn more at [OCBus/Wave/Getting-Started](https://www.ocbus.com/wave/getting-started) or call (714) 560-5932.

RESOURCE SPOTLIGHT



OC ACCESS

OC ACCESS is the Orange County Transportation Authority (OCTA) shared-ride transportation service designed for qualified riders whose physical or cognitive limitations prevent them from using the regular OC Bus fixed-route service. This service was created to meet the requirements of the Americans with Disabilities Act

(ADA). Certification is based on a person's functional abilities and limitations due to a disability—not a specific diagnosis.

Get more information by visiting [OC ACCESS](#).

Scan the QR code below to view OC ACCESS's Service Area coverage!



GET INVOLVED

OAAC Meetings

The OC Older Adults Advisory Commission (OAAC) advises the OC Board of Supervisors through the OC Office on Aging on matters affecting older adults in Orange County. You are Invited to attend the upcoming OAAC meetings:

- **OAAC General Meeting**

- **When:** Friday, November 14, 2025 at 9:30 A.M.
Where: 1063 McGaw Ave., Ste. 100, Irvine, CA 92614

- **Executive Committee Meeting**

- **When:** Friday, November 21, 2025 at 9:30 A.M.
Where: 1300 S. Grand Ave., Bldg. B, Santa Ana, CA 92705

To learn more about the commission visit officeonaging.ocgov.com.

Please note: Meeting locations are subject to change. For the most up-to-date information, please visit the [OAAC webpage](#), or check our [Facebook](#) or [Instagram](#) before attending.

OC OFFICE ON AGING MONTHLY STATISTICS

Numbers are based on September 2025 service data.



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