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## Senior Concerns to Temporarily Close Adult Day Program in Response to COVID-19

Senior Concerns has been closely monitoring coronavirus/COVID-19 and taking steps to maintain a safe and healthy environment in our facility. On Thursday, March 12<sup>th</sup>, Senior Concerns' leadership participated in a call with Ventura County Public Health. Dr. Robert Levin, Health Officer, implemented an emergency declaration to enact social distancing plans.

Based on the recommendations from Ventura County Public Health, Senior Concerns will close the Adult Day Care facility beginning on Monday, March 16th and continuing until the end of the month. At that time, the organization will reassess when the Adult Day Care Facility can safely reopen. All in person meetings, including support groups and seminars, are also on hold at this time.

The Meals on Wheels Program will continue uninterrupted at this time. Should you have a need for the Meals On Wheels Program, you may reach the Meals On Wheels staff at 805-496-2009

Senior Concerns' Case Manager, Carie Salas, is available via telephone for consultations and referrals. You may reach Carie at 805-497-0189.

We will keep the community updated on when services will resume. In the meantime, please direct any questions to us at <a href="mailto:info@seniorconcerns.org">info@seniorconcerns.org</a> or call our offices at 805-497-0189. Office phone hours are from 10 a.m. – 3:00 p.m. Monday through Friday during this time.

"This is a very challenging time for our community and our ultimate goal is to ensure the health and safety of our elders," said Andera Gallagher, President of Senior Concerns. "Temporarily closing the Adult Day Care facility is important step that we must take until the immediate thread of COVID-19 passes."

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## **About Senior Concerns**

Senior Concerns is a Thousand Oaks-based private, non-profit organization dedicated to serving seniors young and old, caregivers and families by offering a wide-range of services, programs and resources, including a professionally managed Adult Day Program, Meals on Wheels, Caregiver Support Center, free legal, financial, advocacy and care management services, support groups and community education and training. Senior Concerns also operates the Bargain Boutique & Thrift Shop and hosts two major fundraisers—the Love Run and the Ultimate Dining Experience—and receives invaluable community support from more than 500 volunteers.