

Legal and Financial Resources (updated 10/2020)

Legal and financial concerns can involve managing daily affairs, expenses and debt, making important health care decisions, as well as planning for long-term care expenses. Managing one's estate, such as property and/or other assets also factors into these considerations. The misuse of an older person's finances (whether from a stranger, professional or even a family member) may constitute elder financial exploitation which is illegal and punishable under the law.

Supportive services can come from family accountants, financial advisors, trusted realtors, and attorneys. Providers with specific training and expertise geared to older adults of varied economic backgrounds are available for tasks such as daily money management, estate planning, and property transactions. There are some of these specialists focused on residents here in the foothills that may be right for you.

The USC Verdugo Hills Hospital's Community Resource Center for Aging can be reached by telephone at 818.949.4033 to discuss your needs and assist in narrowing in on resources right for you. While we cannot endorse specific resources, here are contacts and additional information to support your needs.

Agency Name	Services Offered	Fees
Adult Protective Services Telephone: 877.477.3646 Website: Adult Protective Services	Provides access 24/7 to request investigation of older and disabled adults suspected of experiencing abuse, neglect, and/or exploitation. This includes persons that may be self-neglecting their needs as well.	None
California Department of Justice, Attorney General's Office State of California - Department of Justice - Office of the Attorney General	Repository of end-of-life resources. Website includes the Advance Health Care Directive form: Advanced Health Care Directive Form	None
Family and Medical Leave Act (FMLA)	Working caregivers from companies with 50 or more employees are allowed up to 12 weeks of unpaid leave through the FMLA to	Employer sponsored

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	care for a seriously ill parent, spouse or child, while protecting job security. Paid Family Leave (PFL) provides workers with a maximum of six weeks of partial pay each year while taking time off from work to care for a seriously ill parent, child, spouse or registered domestic partner.	
Five Wishes Your Living Will and Advance Directive	An advance care planning tool honored in most states, including California. Here you name someone to make decisions on your behalf if you are unable, as well as describe the comfort care measures you would want.	None
Long-Term Care Ombudsman Telephone: 800.510.2020 or 800.334.9473. After-hours crisis line: 800.231.4024 Website: Long Term Care Ombudsman Program (LTCOP) - WDACS	Provides 24/7 assistance to residents of long-term care facilities with concerns related to services/care, safety, residents' rights/dignity, and inappropriate use of chemical or physical restraints.	None
National Institute on Aging Getting Your Affairs in Order (June 2018) Steps for Getting Your Affairs in Order	This document has steps for getting your personal documents in order. Planning before an emergency can make all the difference for those that care about you. To download the PDF go directly to: AgePage: Getting Your Affairs in Order	None

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<p>State of California Department of Motor Vehicles</p> <p>Senior Drivers</p>	<p>A collection of facts and information to support safe driving, including laws and policies concerning older adult drivers and licensing. Anyone can request the re-examination of a driver who has potentially become unsafe to drive.</p>	<p>None</p>
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