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Elder Law & Advocacy Service Provider Is Still Providing Services in Imperial County

The Imperial County Area Agency on Aging (ICAAA) announced that Elder Law & Advocacy, their Health Insurance Counseling and Advocacy Program (HICAP), Senior Legal Assistance Program, and Senior Caregiver Legal Assistance program provider is still available to support the senior community in Imperial County by phone at (760) 353-0223.

Elder Law & Advocacy is a non-profit organization and has been continuously providing services for over 40 years. Elder Law & Advocacy devotes all of its resources to helping both rural and urban seniors and their families. Elder Law & Advocacy's attorneys, staff, and volunteers provide the following services in Imperial County:

- Senior Legal Services program provides free legal services to residents of Imperial County over the age of 60. The basic service provided to our senior population consists of a 30 minute counsel and advice session with an attorney licensed in the State of California.
- Caregiver Legal Services program is designed to help family caregivers of elderly frail persons who have Alzheimer's disease, have suffered a debilitating brain injury, who are economically and socially disadvantaged, or are isolated, homebound or institutionalized.
- Elder Law & Advocacy's HICAP (Health Insurance Counseling and Advocacy Program) program is staffed by trained counselors who can give you the information you need to make an informed decision about your healthcare choices. All HICAP counselors are registered with the California Department of Aging and provide unbiased, impartial information and counseling. ***They do not sell, endorse, promote or recommend commercial products or services.***

Following public health guidelines during the COVID-19 pandemic, Elder Law & Advocacy closed their office doors as of March 17, 2020, until further notice. However, staff has continued to work, providing counseling and legal advice to the community via phone consultations. If you are in need of legal advice or support and/or need to access HICAP services please call them at (760) 353-0223. For additional information on their programs call them or visit their website at: <http://seniorlaw-sd.org/>.

The Imperial County Area Agency on Aging offers a variety of services for seniors, age 60 or older, throughout the Imperial Valley. These services include congregate meals, transportation to designated congregate sites, home delivered meals, respite care, legal advice, and much more. If you need additional information regarding any of the services provided by our agency or additional information on what is being done to comply with COVID-19 guidelines, please contact our office by calling 442-265-7030 or toll-free at 1-800-510-2020. You may also find additional information by visiting our website at www.aaa24.org. If you are experiencing a crisis or additional stress related to the current situation, please contact the local Imperial County Behavioral Health Access line at 1-800-817-5292 or 442-265-1525.

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