

Santa Clara Chapter

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Engaging with your legislators is an effective way to advocate for long-term care. Building relationships with the elected officials who represent your chapter helps raise awareness of the issues, challenges, and successes affecting the long-term care sector. This guide outlines ways to connect with legislators and strengthen your advocacy efforts.

What counties are in the Santa Clara Chapter?

Monterey, San Benito, Santa Clara, and Santa Cruz counties.

What companies have facilities in the Santa Clara Chapter?

Aspen Skilled Healthcare Inc
Buena Vista Healthcare
Cambridge Healthcare Svcs
CORE Healthcare Ctrs
Daughters of Charity Health Sys
Front Porch
Gateway Center of Monterey County Inc
Generations Healthcare
Helios Healthcare LLC
HumanGood
Innovations Health Management

Kalesta Healthcare Group
Links Healthcare Group
Mariner Health Care Inc
Mouri Management Group Inc
NewGen Administrative Services
Pacific Ridge Healthcare Group
PACS Group Inc
Reliant Management Group
ReNew Health Group
Sunrise Senior Lvg
Terra Bella Communities
Tupaz Homes LLC
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What legislators represent the Santa Clara Chapter?

Assembly	Senate	Congress
Assemblymember Dawn Addis (Terms Out – 2034) District Cities: Aptos, Atascadero, Monterey, Paso Robles, San Luis Obispo.	Senator Josh Becker (Terms Out – 2032) District Cities: Burlingame, Los Altos, Los Gatos, Menlo Park, Mountain View, Palo Alto, Redwood City, San Mateo, Sunnyvale.	Representative Sam Liccardo (CA - 16) District Cities: Half Moon Bay, Mountain View, Palo Alto, San Jose.
Assemblymember Patrick Ahrens (Terms Out – 2034) District Cities: Campbell, Cupertino, Los Altos, Mountain View, San Jose, Santa Clara, Saratoga, Sunnyvale.	Senator Dave Cortese (Terms Out – 2030) District Cities: Campbell, Gilroy, Milpitas, Morgan Hill, San Jose, Santa Clara.	Representative Ro Khanna (CA – 17) District Cities: Cupertino, Fremont, San Jose, Santa Clara, Sunnyvale.
Assemblymember Marc Berman (Terms Out – 2028) District Cities: Los Altos, Los Gatos, Mountain	Senator John Laird (Terms Out – 2028)	Representative Zoe Lofgren (CA – 18) District Cities: Gilroy, Hollister, Salinas, San Jose, Watsonville.
		Representative Jimmy Panetta (CA - 19)

View, Palo Alto, Redwood City, San Jose, Sunnyvale. Assemblymember Ash Kalra (Terms Out – 2028) District Cities: Gilroy, Milpitas, Morgan Hill, San Jose, Santa Clara. Assemblymember Alex Lee (Terms Out – 2032) District Cities: Fremont, Milpitas, Newark, San Jose. Assemblymember Gail Pellerin (Terms Out – 2034) District Cities: Aptos, Campbell, Gilroy, Los Gatos, Morgan Hill, San Jose, Santa Cruz, Scotts Valley, Watsonville. Speaker Robert Rivas (Terms Out – 2030) District Cities: Gilroy, Greenfield, Hollister, King City, Marina, Morgan Hill, Salinas, Soledad, Watsonville.	District Cities: Capitola, Monterey, Pacific Grove, Santa Cruz, Watsonville. Senator Aisha Wahab (Terms Out – 2034) District Cities: Fremont, Hayward, Milpitas, Newark, Pleasanton, San Jose, Sunnyvale, Union City.	District Cities: Atascadero, Carmel-by-the-Sea, Monterey, Paso Robles, San Jose, Santa Cruz, Seaside.
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Do any of these legislators hold important positions in the legislature? If so, what are those positions?

Assemblymember Dawn Addis serves as the Chair of the Assembly Budget Subcommittee No. 1 on Health. The Subcommittee on Health is tasked with reviewing budget and fiscal policies impacting Medi-Cal, the Department of Health Care Access and Information, the Department of Managed Care, the Department of Public Health, and more. In addition to serving as Chair of the Budget Subcommittee No. 1, Assemblymember Addis sits on the Assembly Budget Committee, and the Assembly Health Committee.

Asm. Ahrens serves as the Chair of the Assembly Aging and Long-Term Care Committee.

Asm. Berman is the Chair of the Assembly Business and Professions Committee.

Asm. Kalra is the Chair of the Assembly Judiciary Committee.

Speaker Rivas serves as the leader of the Assembly. The Speaker's duties include presiding over floor sessions, appointing committee members and chairs, administer oaths of office, and manage legislation in the Assembly.

Senator Laird serves as the Chair of the Senate Budget & Fiscal Review Committee. As the chair of the Senate Budget & Fiscal Review Committee, Senator Laird serves as the lead senator tasked with reviewing the Governor's proposed budget as well as any other legislation impacting the budget proposal. In addition to his role as Chair, Senator Laird also sits on the Senate Human Services Committee and the Senate Judiciary Committee.

What interactions has CAHF had with these legislators?

Assemblymember Addis is very familiar with CAHF and SNF care. She has toured two facilities – San Luis Post Acute and Carmel Hills Post Acute – and met with CAHF members during Spring Advocacy in 2024 and 2025. Not

only is Asm. Addis familiar with skilled nursing, she has built a friendship and relationship with many of our members.

Asm. Ahrens has toured Cedar Crest Nursing in Sunnyvale and has met with CAHF members during Spring Advocacy in 2026.

Assemblymember Berman has toured Vi at Palo Alto.

Asm. Kalra has met with CAHF members during Spring Advocacy in 2024 and toured Mission de La Casa in San Jose.

Speaker Rivas has met with CAHF members during Spring Advocacy in 2025 and 2026. Speaker Rivas' staff has met with CAHF members in the district office as well.

Senator Laird has toured Carmel Hills Post Acute and met with CAHF members during Spring Advocacy in 2024, 2025, and 2026. In fact, during the Support Skilled Nursing Patients campaign, Senator Laird's partner received a call to action urging him to reach out to Senator Laird in regards to WQIP funding.

How can the chapter get more involved with the legislators who represent the chapter?

There are many opportunities to reach out to the legislators representing your chapter. Here are a few ideas to get started:

- Follow legislators on social media
 - Know about their upcoming constituent events
 - Follow their legislation
 - Foster a relationship with your legislator online
- Invite legislators to chapter meetings
 - Connect them with providers and suppliers in their district
 - Share key legislative updates
- Host a facility tour
 - Showcase resident care and services
 - Introduce legislators to residents and staff
 - Highlight the impact of long-term care in their community
- Celebrate resident and staff milestones
 - Notify district offices about milestone birthdays and staff anniversaries
 - Invite legislators or staff to participate in recognition events

What is the best way to connect with the legislators who represent my chapter?

The best way to invite your legislator to an event would be to send an email with all of the pertinent details of your request (What is the event? When is the event? What is expected of the legislator?). If you don't have a contact for a legislative office, the best thing to do is to call the district office and ask where to send an invitation for an event in their district. However, if you would rather work with CAHF to send an invitation, let [Maddie Robbie](#), Government Affairs Specialist, know and she can help coordinate the logistics.

