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"Social Insurance and Social Justice: Social Security, Medicare and the Campaign against Entitlements"

Thursday February 1, 5:30pm to 7:30pm

San Francisco Main Library
100 Larkin Street, San Francisco
Latino/Hispanic Rooms, A&B

FREE COMMUNITY EVENT [Register](#) on Eventbrite or
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Speakers:

Carroll L. Estes: Professor Emerita of Sociology at the University of California, San Francisco (UCSF), Past-chair of the Board of Directors of The National Committee to Preserve Social Security and Medicare

Kevin Prindiville: Executive Director, Justice in Aging

It was 1935 when the Social Security Act was signed and 1965 when Medicare was enacted. Both programs provide significant protection against poverty in older age, yet some have questioned their validity and sustainability for more than 20 years. In 2018 this discussion is being moved to the top of the agenda.

The House GOP caucus plans to work on entitlement reform next year as a way to "tackle the debt and the deficit," according to House Speaker Paul Ryan. Ryan specifically mentioned Medicare as being the "biggest entitlement that's got to have reform."

As Carroll Estes said in her classic book, 'The Aging Enterprise', originally published in 1979: *"The individual aging experience is shaped by the way society treats its elders, via social policies on employment, retirement, health care, income and the family."*

This forum will provide essential talking points about these programs so that we can better inform ourselves and others about what "reform" would mean for our society, for our economy, and for all of us as we age.

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Carroll L. Estes is Professor Emerita of Sociology at the University of California, San Francisco (UCSF) where she founded and directed the campus-wide Institute for Health & Aging (1979-1998), and chaired the Department of Social and Behavioral Sciences (1981-1992) in the School of Nursing. Dr. Estes is a member of the National Academy of Medicine (IOM) of the National Academies, and past President of three national organizations in aging: The Gerontological Society of America (GSA), the American Society on Aging (ASA) and the Association for Gerontology in Higher Education (AGHE). Dr. Estes is past-chair of the Board of Directors of The National Committee to Preserve Social Security and Medicare and its Foundation. She is past Board Chair of the Center for Global Policy Solutions. She served as consultant to U. S. Commissioners of Social Security and to U. S. Senate and House Committees on Aging for more than three decades. In 2014 Estes received the University of California Medal, UCSF's highest recognition. The League of Women Voters named Estes, "A Woman Who Could Be President" (San Francisco, 1998). The National Organization of Women (NOW) named her a "Woman of Action" (2012).

Her current research is on Social Security and Medicare policy, health reform, Medicaid, long term care, and elder women's economic and health security. Credited as a founding scholar of the "political economy of aging" and "critical gerontology," Estes has authored, co-authored, and co-edited 24 books. Her latest book is "Aging A-Z: Critical Concepts in Gerontology" will be published late 2018 by Routledge.

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Kevin Prindiville is Justice in Aging's Executive Director. He is a nationally recognized expert on Medicare and Medicaid policy and has served as counsel in several class action lawsuits protecting low-income senior's access to public benefits.

Kevin has a long history of developing partnerships and directing strategic advocacy efforts. The author of numerous articles, reports and briefs, he frequently testifies before legislators, presents at national conferences and works closely with both federal and state regulatory agencies. He also is quoted often in national and California media. Kevin is on the Board of Directors of the American Society on Aging.

Prior to joining Justice in Aging, Prindiville worked as a staff attorney at the Pennsylvania Health Law Project in Philadelphia where he represented low-income individuals having trouble obtaining health care. He is a graduate of the University of Pennsylvania Law School and the University of California, San Diego. Kevin is admitted to the California Bar.

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