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Seniors question governor's budget priorities

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The Congress of California Seniors (CCS), which for forty years has advocated for seniors at the California state capitol, expressed concern today with Governor Jerry Brown's proposed 2017-2018 state budget.

Once again, the proposed state spending plan fundamentally ignores the growing tidal wave of seniors. The post World War II Baby Boomers are now – or soon will be – seniors. In California, the over-65 population is expected to double in the next 15 years. This demographic avalanche will put unprecedented pressure on all elements of society, including families, state and local governments, and businesses.

CCS Vice President Gary Passmore urged greater focus on California's elderly population:

"Governor Brown's proposed budget continues to ignore the exploding number of seniors who struggle with program and service cuts. If we continue to ignore the problem, the state faces a difficult day of reckoning."

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