

## PGC / ACU /Texas Silver-Haired Legislature Town Hall Forum Fact Sheet

**Purpose.** The purpose of the Town Hall Forum is to provide local citizens the opportunity to identify aging issues, concerns and suggested solutions for consideration by TSHL members in developing Resolutions for the upcoming TSHL Legislative Session. TSHL is required to prepare a written report to the Governor & other state officials, Texas Department of Aging and Disability Services and the Texas state Legislature. ACU students will be conducting research during the event.

**Format.** Participants will be seated at 30 tables of 8 for table discussions to identify aging issues of each participant and to identify the number one priority and suggested solution of the table. Each table will select its own facilitator to keep conversation targeted and assure input from the group. A recorder will be assigned to each group: (1) to take notes on each issue or concern; (2) prepare statement on number one priority with suggested solution; (3) prepare notes, as needed, to assist facilitator in reporting priority to the entire group.

**Report.** The facilitator or recorder makes a brief report to the entire group using the following:

1. State the number one priority aging issue identified by your table.
2. What is the impact of this issue on older Texans?
3. Recommend solution/s.
4. Comments

A summary report will be prepared and posted on the TSHL website: [www.txshl.org](http://www.txshl.org)

### Participants:

ACU Retired Faculty, Older Adults/Retirees, ACU Students, Aging Cluster Members  
TSHL members – West Central Texas District, Community Members and Members of  
Faith-based communities

### Sponsors:

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