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The following are the action items from the April 3, 2024, meeting of the Language Accessibility Advisory Committee (LAAC):

- More outreach from the state LAAC to county LAACs in order to coordinate efforts.
- 2. Paying translators and reviewers for their time working on the VIG and other translated materials.
- 3. Reviewing the outcomes of the No Party Preference/Presidential Primary mailers that went out from the counties prior to the March 5, 2024, Primary Election.
- 4. Studying the relationship between the geography of counties and the language services provided by the county ROVs.
- 5. Review all goals left in progress by the 2023 LAAC.
- 6. Obtaining more resources for county outreach programs and for the translation of election materials.
- 7. Exploring the needs that counties currently have, to see if SOS can address those needs with resources such as best practices guides.
- 8. Explore and evaluate various translation tools to find the best technological solutions to issues facing alternative language voters.
- 9. Review the bilingual poll workers survey from the previous LAAC and prepare to reissue the survey to poll workers who served in the recent March 5, 2024, Primary Election.
- 10. Research methods of providing a central language resource for Deaf and Hard of Hearing voters. It was mentioned that this issue might be more suited for the Voter Accessibility Advisory Committee (VAAC), but it may be discussed further by the LAAC.
- 11. Explore best practices that can be recommended to SOS regarding issues that may be present during the November 5, 2024, General Election.

These actions and a copy of the meeting minutes for this meeting will be available soon on the LAAC website at: <a href="https://www.sos.ca.gov/elections/laac/laac-meetings">www.sos.ca.gov/elections/laac/laac-meetings</a>.

If you have any questions, please contact me directly at laac@sos.ca.gov.

Thank you.