

# Sonoma County FINANCIAL ABUSE SPECIALIST TEAM

(a project of the Sonoma County Elder Justice Coalition)

# *FAST*

## *WHAT IS THE FAST TEAM?*

FAST consults on cases of financial abuse of elder and dependent adults in Sonoma County. FAST members have financial expertise in multiple areas including banking, accounting, fiduciary services, estate planning, insurance, real estate, mortgage services and elder law.

## *HOW DOES THE FAST TEAM WORK?*

Investigators from Adult Protective Services, Law Enforcement, District Attorney, Ombudsman or other agencies can refer complex cases of elder financial abuse to FAST. The FAST Coordinator will match your case to FAST members with relevant experience. Team members will review your case, consult with you as needed, and provide you with a summary of findings and analysis of facts.

## *WHAT ARE THE BENEFITS OF FAST?*

- **EXPERT FINANCIAL EXPERTISE:** team members review financial documents and provide an analysis of findings that may be used to assist the investigator in determining whether abuse has occurred.
- **RAPID RESPONSE TIME:** team members begin working on cases upon referral.
- **POSITIVE OUTCOMES FOR CLIENTS:** recover assets, prevent further loss, and improve quality of life.

## *HOW DO I REFER A CASE?*

Contact Tara Underly, FAST Team Coordinator,  
at 707-565-3921 or [tunderly@schsd.org](mailto:tunderly@schsd.org),  
for more information or to refer a case.