California Jobs First Collaborative Meeting July 12, 2024 12:00pm to 2:00pm

AGENDA

- 1. Welcome and Introductions
- 2. Philanthropy Presentation
- 3. Action: Edit and Approve Theory of Change
- 4. Discussion on Catalyst and Regional Investment Initiative SFPs.
- 5. Adjourn

Orange County Jobs First

Goal: Create an inclusive, equitable, and sustainable Orange County economy that creates highroad jobs and provides a path toward an equitable transition to a carbon-neutral powered economy.

Theory of Change	e INPUTS		OUT	PUTS
Problem statement	InputsCommunity and youth engagement, regional plan, data work, pilot projects, convener, fiscal agent, HRTC, partner organizations, community stakeholders, residents, Community Engagement Contracts, Catalyst Grant, CA Forward, Technical Advisors, Data Team, Equity Consultants, Sector Investment Coordinators, and Bi-Agency Leadership Team.	stakel group Engag comm where Under and e projec Brief I and o officia the O Engag Prepa	ene partners and holder/sector s ge disinvested nunity members e they are at. rtook an outreach ngagement data	Outputs Stronger communities, More inclusive planning processes, Greater cross-sector participation, Enhanced competitiveness in obtaining public funds, Increased opportunities to leverage additional resources to meet priority community needs, New braided funding opportunities, Create or hold a space for deeper engagement and long- term relationships.

Audience: The Orange County community as a whole.

OUTCOMES

Short-term outcomes

Address high level issues identified in the regional plan

Mid-term outcomes

Stronger and more diverse workforce, A more resilient economy that works for all residents

Long-term outcomes

An inclusive, diverse, equitable, and resilient Orange County community

What will this achieve? How will the region be different?



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Coming Together

- Economy, Equity and Environment
- We are here because we believe in these 3Es
- We are doing the hard work that rarely gets done
- Focus comments on the what and the why
- There is no "they" and "us"
- Be authentic, care deeply about this work, and treat each other with dignity and respect

Catalyst and Regional Investment Initiative SFPs

Regional Investment Initiative-Implementation Ready Projects

- \$50 million for 2024-2025
- Delay of \$150 million over the next three years
- Competitive among the regions
- Regionally approved, but state awarded
- Funds available starting in September
- Most recent state guidance found <u>Here</u>

Questions to Consider for Implementation Projects

- How quickly do we select projects and submit to the state?
 - Finalize Project Criteria/Scoring Rubric
 - o Release RFP
 - o Submission window
 - o Score/Select
- Select one or two large projects, or several small projects?
- What is the max dollar amount of OC's projects?
 - Pilot projects awarded between 2.1 million and 10 million.
 - o 4 of the 8 projects received between \$3 and \$4 million.
- Project Criteria/Checklist or Scoring Rubric
- Conflict of Interest Requirements
- Identical Criteria/Scoring Rubric for Implementation and Catalyst

Regional Investment Initiative-Catalyst Projects

- \$9 million until September 2026
- Competitive only within Orange County
- Collaborative awarded
- Funds already available
- Same state guidelines as implementation projects found <u>Here</u>, but little state oversight.

Questions to Consider for Catalyst

- Spending caps for exploratory vs. last mile projects
- Move small number of projects to implementation ready or support one activity for many projects
- Identical Criteria/Scoring Rubric for Implementation and Catalyst