



Bay Area Regional Prosperity Plan Project

## Steering Committee #10 Meeting Summary

Meeting Date: Friday, March 14, 2014

### Introduction

The tenth meeting of the Regional Prosperity Plan Steering Committee was held on Friday, March 14, 2014, in the Claremont Conference Room, Joseph P. Bort MetroCenter, 101 Eighth Street, Oakland, CA 94607-4700. The meeting was attended by the following Steering Committee members:

<i>Seat</i>	<i>Name</i>	<i>Organization / Agency</i>
ABAG Board Member	Scott Haggerty	Alameda County
ABAG Board Member	Eric Mar	City and County of San Francisco
Prosperity Co-Chair (Public Agency)	Margot Lederer Prado	City of Oakland
Housing Co-Chair (CBO)	Carlos Romero	Urban Ecology
Housing Co-Chair (NPO)	James Pappas	California Housing Partnership Corporation
Housing Co-Chair (Public Agency)	Kara Douglas	Contra Costa County
Equity Collaborative Co-Chair (CBO)	Jane Martin	People Organized to Win Employment Rights (POWER)
Equity Collaborative Co-Chair (NPO)	Gen Fujioka	Chinatown Community Development Center
Community Foundation	David Pontecorvo	East Bay Community Foundation

In addition to MTC and ABAG staff, the following members of the public attended the meeting: Ethan Brown, Sonoma County Economic Development Board; Al Lerma, Sonoma County Economic Development Board; Eliot Rose, ICF; Conny Ford, SF Labor Foundation; Mike Van Hofwegan, Michael Chavez Center; Adam Garcia, Greenbelt Alliance; James Choe, ICF; Alyson Greenlee, East Bay Skills Alliance; Bob Allen, Urban Habitat.

The agenda for the Steering Committee meeting included the following items:

1. Presentations on the Fair Housing and Equity Assessment, Development Dashboard and Affordable Housing Funding Gap Analysis
2. Overview on Prosperity Plan Program Evaluation Project
3. Presentations by Economic Prosperity and Equity Initiative Grantees
4. Award Recommendations for the Housing the Workforce Sub-Grant Program

The following handouts were distributed at the meeting:

- January 10, 2014, Steering Committee #9 Meeting Summary
- Recommendations for Awards—Housing the Workforce Sub-Grant Program Memo
- Economic Prosperity Strategy (EPS) Schedule Memo
- Affordable Housing Funding Gap Analysis Executive Summary

### **Meeting Summary**

Comments from the Steering Committee meeting are summarized below by agenda topic.

#### ***Fair Housing and Equity Assessment, Development Dashboard and Affordable Housing Funding Gap Analysis***

Johnny Jaramillo, ABAG, provided updates on the Fair Housing and Equity Assessment and Development Dashboard projects. Pedro Galvao, ABAG, provided an overview of the Affordable Housing Funding Gap Analysis. Steering Committee members provided the following feedback:

- Counties and larger cities that use automated data systems may be able to collect and provide housing data for the Dashboard project. Consider subsidizing the purchase of data programs for small cities not on automated systems, on the condition that they provide the necessary housing data to MTC/ABAG.
- Jurisdictions may over-estimate project pipeline data. Consider validating the data by an independent source.
  - Staff responded that data may be cross-referenced with housing organizations.
- Clarify whether Boomerang and other post-Redevelopment funds are included in the Analysis since Boomerang funds can be used outside formerly designated Redevelopment areas.
  - Staff responded that Boomerang Funds are included in the analysis.
- Advocate for Affordable Housing programs and policies at the state level to support and enable implementation of local strategies.
  - Staff responded that the Affordable Housing Funding Gap Analysis report will list the bills being considered for adoption by the state legislature.
- Acknowledge the importance of legalizing secondary units and rehabilitation of existing affordable housing as a source of increasing availability of affordable housing.
  - Staff responded that the analysis will include examples of housing policies from each jurisdiction. It will also identify common policies used throughout the Bay Area, which includes secondary units.

Johnny Jaramillo notified the Committee that information on all three projects will be made available on the ABAG website on completion of deliverables.

#### ***Prosperity Plan Program Evaluation***

Eliot Rose, ICF, provided an overview of the Program Evaluation Project for the Regional Prosperity Plan and responded to questions regarding schedule, emphasis and results of the evaluation.

#### ***Presentations by Economic Prosperity and Equity Initiative Grantees***

Alyson Greenlee provided an overview of the East Bay Skills Alliance project, which was funded through the Economic Opportunity Sub-Grant Program.

Ethan Brown and Al Lerma, Sonoma County Economic Development Board, provided an overview of the Self-Employment and the Road to Economic Security project, which was funded through the Economic Opportunity Sub-Grant Program. Steering Committee members provided the following feedback:

- Consider collaborating with other sub-grantees funded through the Regional Prosperity Plan that are doing similar work in the East Bay. Share information regarding project challenges.

Bob Allen, Urban Habitat, provided an overview of the Planning Institute for Leadership project, which was funded through the Equity Initiative Sub-Grant Program.

### ***Housing the Workforce Sub-Grant Program Award Recommendations***

Vikrant Sood, MTC, provided an overview of the process for engaging community organizations in the Regional Early Warning System for Displacement project. Vikrant informed the Committee that the Joint Projects Team (JPT) has recommended funding for the Michael Chavez Center in the city of Concord and the Chinatown Community Development Center (CCDC) in the city and county of San Francisco through a sub-grant program.

The Steering Committee unanimously accepted the recommendation of the JPT for a \$20,000 sub-grant award to the Michael Chavez Center. The Committee deferred the decision to accept the recommendation of the JPT for a \$20,000 sub-grant award to CCDC to the MTC Administration Committee or Executive Director since the Committee did not have a quorum to make a decision. Gen Fujioka recused himself from the decision-making process due to a conflict of interest.

### **Next Steps**

The next meeting of the Steering Committee is scheduled for Friday, May 9, 2014 from 12 noon to 2 pm in the Claremont Conference Room at MTC.

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