



Steering Committee Meeting January 25th, 2024

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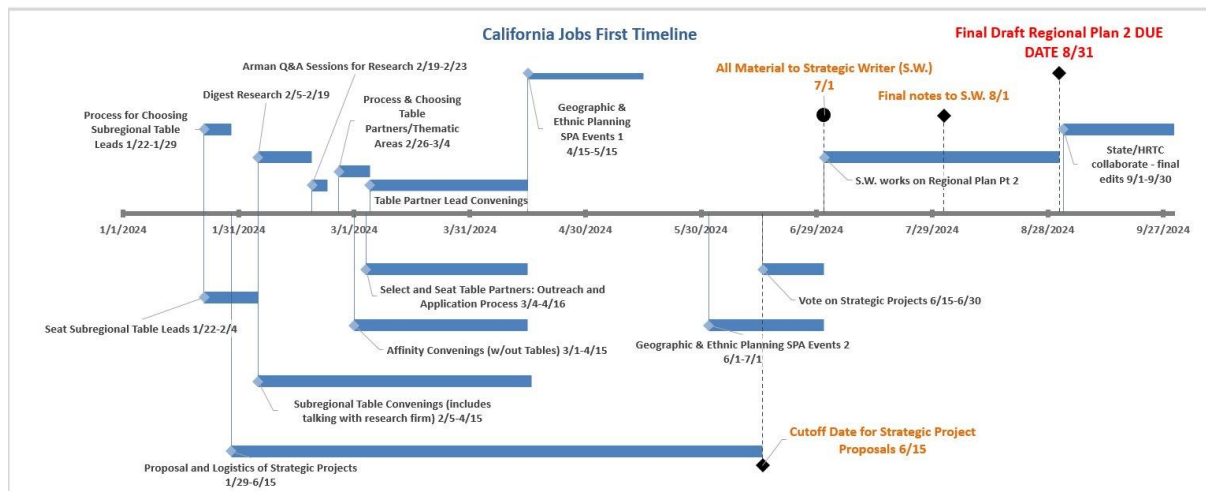
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Summary Notes

Introduction and Timeline Updates

Vice Chair Stella welcomes everyone and notes that there are about 21 Steering Committee members present, thanking them for their busy schedules in January. She outlines the agenda for the meeting, including topics such as housekeeping, timeline discussion, training updates, research updates, interest form completion by Alan, collaborative governance check-in by Alan again, fiscal agent update from CCF (California Community Foundation), and a review of upcoming meetings and next steps.

Director Charles moves forward to discuss the timeline in detail and explains how they have received additional time until August 2024 to complete the regional plan part two with assistance from a strategic writer working directly with state officials for compliance purposes. He highlights important milestones such as selecting sub-regional table leads based on research data analysis and thematic areas within those tables related to aerospace or entertainment industries among others; geographic planning events which need input from steering committee members; getting a strategic writer onboard by July 1; incorporating feedback through public comment periods before submitting the plan in August etc.,



Next steps include finalizing processes for sub regional table leads (micro grantees), waiting for updates from the state regarding catalyst funding details, and reading through regional plan documents.

Subregional Tables

The Steering Committee must quickly work to identify the application and selection process to seat 90 Subregional tables, per SPA, per entity type. The CJF team presented a structure to the SC, and feedback is being requested.

It was recommended that a Subregional Table Subcommittee be formed by Chairs and SC members to work through this process.

Affinity Hub Lead Training

Survey will be sent out to Affinity Hub Leads to poll on Virtual vs In-Person & Proposed Dates/Times

- Awaiting Training/Capacity-Building contract to identify potential dates/times

The following will be covered in the training: process reporting deliverables and content

Goal: Complete Affinity Hub Lead Training in February

Collaborative Governance Deliverable

Updates on collaborative governance check were presentation, the CJF team is on track to complete the deliverable by the deadline on Jan 31.

- There is a question about sharing the HRTC response, which will include a roster, steering committee agenda and minutes, and a summary of the process. It will be uploaded to the website.

Research Updates

Arman shares that the researchers presented survey results at the county level, which were representative of gender and racial ethnic demographics. They will conduct further analysis at the spa level in the coming weeks. The surveys covered a wide range of topics including employment, income, education, and demographic markers, as well as questions about transportation options and neighborhood environments. Interviews with large employers are also part of their community engagement efforts. The index is still being developed and new findings from the surveys are being incorporated into it.

In addition to the survey results, Beacon economics conducted an industry cluster analysis to assess sustainability and equity metrics for different clusters in LA County. They are identifying both existing and emerging clusters and will rank them based on traditional indicators as well as sustainability and equity factors. Decision-making regarding thematic areas for partners will be based on these rankings.

There was a discussion about parity versus equal representation in community surveying methods. It was clarified that representative samples were used to ensure statistically significant results that include underrepresented groups such as transgender individuals and American Indian/Alaskan Natives. There was also a suggestion to have recorded presentations of research findings for better understanding by the community.

The steering committee discussed timelines for presenting research findings to them, with mid-February mentioned as a possible timeframe depending on final deliverables from researchers.

Organizations Presenting to the Steering Committee

A process was outlined for approving or disapproving organizations' requests to present to the steering committee through an interest form submission spreadsheet shared with all committee members. A majority (18) disapproval would result in disqualification from presenting.

Fiscal Agent Update

An update regarding the Governor's Budget was presented, with changes affecting implementation funds. More information will be shared once available.

An update was provided regarding capacity building contract proposals. SidePorch is recommended due to their ability to meet deliverables listed in scopes of work. Approval from steering committee requested next week before moving forward with contracting process. A bid package will be shared with the SC.

Concerns were raised about the selection process for capacity building contracts, with specific focus on the involvement of outside organizations in decision-making. The issue of conflict of interest and unfair bidding processes was also discussed. Some participants expressed a desire for steering committee members to be eligible to bid on contracts. Time constraints were highlighted as a challenge, and there was a call for offline work to be done by subcommittee members to address pending questions and determine the application process for future contracts.

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Hello again, Ellen.

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Hello. Hello.

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Everyone. I see Andrea joining. We've got about eight steering committee members along with folks from LAEDC. Thank you all for joining. We will give everyone, want about two or three more minutes, and then we'll get started. Thank you for the reminder, Ellen. Appreciate that. So there's the attendance form. If everyone can go ahead and complete that real quick. It looks like we have about 16 folks on the call so far. Alan, just a thought. Yeah, we'll wait.

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All right, man. We hop on this surf call, but.

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If you can join the call with.

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Red tomorrow, it would be great.

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I'm sorry, Kevin.

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He was accidentally unmuted.

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Good to see everyone.

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Stella might have dropped off the meeting, so we'll wait for her to come back and give a couple of minutes since we still have seems below attendance right now.

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Sorry about that, everyone. Lost my connection for some reason. But welcome, everyone. Looks like we have about 21 steering committee members on the call, plus La EDC folks. So thank you all for joining today. I know that January has been a super busy month for a lot of folks. I'm hearing from everyone. That, man, they're just scrambling. So we really appreciate you being here today. We have a full agenda, and so I'll go through that real quick and then ask the LA EDC team to lead us through the agenda. So, first off, welcome housekeeping. We will talk about the timeline. Charles will talk about that along with the sub regional table leads. We'll hear from Scarlett about the affinity hub, lead training, the HRTC, SC chair and vice chair bylaws update. Let's see.

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We have a research update from Armin, and then we'll move into the interest form for presenting to the steering committee. And that'll be Alan. He'll also cover the collaborative governance check, and then we'll move to a fiscal agent update from CCF and finish up the meeting with just an update on upcoming meetings and next steps. Okay, so, again, thank you all for being here. The meeting is being recorded. And please complete the form that Alan just put in the chat to make sure that we account for your attendance at this meeting. So I'm going to hand it off to. Let's see. To Charles. Charles. There you, Charles.

07:26

Thank you. Thank you. Oh, the housekeeping. There we go. Thank you. I'm sorry for everyone. I did not have a chance to look at this nice diagram that Scarlett put together because I have a few other meetings that I had to take care of. But overall, this is the timeline from January 1 all the way through the now new deliverable date of August of 2024. The state granted us an additional two months to get the regional plan, part two in order, and part of that includes. Actually it's three months, but the last month is dedicated to working with the state to make sure that all our I's are dotted and P's are crossed. So we'll be working directly with them, with the strategic writer in order to make sure that we get it done properly and submitted in.

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So some of the more pressing items going forward, if we start from January 1, it's really important that the steering committee start focusing on the process for choosing the sub regional table leads, or micro grantees, as some of you may know it as. So we'll talk about that shortly in the next slide. However, there's going to be a period where you guys are going to be getting the research back from beacon and civil, the research vendors conducting the research, and you're going to have a period to kind of look at that data and digest it and figure it out, really understand it. So you can start jump starting your brain to figure out the two to five strategic projects that may work for the region, but more importantly, which thematic areas for those table leads. So we have eight table slots total.

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So what are thematic areas going to be in there? Is it going to be aerospace? It's going to be entertainment? Is it going to be energy? That data will kind of help you guys make those decisions. However, we're just putting together a timeline so you guys can start seeing the action items that will need to be worked on. Kind of keep moving forward a little bit. There are going to be two geographic and ethnic planning events. We're going to have to talk with you guys as steering committee members on what does those actually look like? Because there wasn't a lot of guidance in pretty much any documentation going back from the original SFP. So you guys really want to kind of help define what those look like?

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We have our kind of educated guesses on what they could look like, but we don't want to assume anything. This is you guys'show. So we really want you guys to make sure that this is working to your liking. So at some point, you're going to have to define what those two ethnic planning events look like. So we can make sure that we're leveraging them properly. And once we get towards the end, by September, I'm sorry, not September, I'm sorry, July. July 1. We really want to start getting that strategic writer aboard so we can start feeding that person the information that you guys have done.

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So all of the work that you will be doing, all of the decisions that you will be making based on that research, we want to make sure that we start getting that to the strategic writer so they can put it in a nice, clean narrative, following the guidelines that the state will eventually give us and being compliant with everything. So we'll start that process right around July 1. And kind of just like you guys did with the regional plan, part one, you'll have a couple of public comment periods where you get to give notes, and the strategic writer will take those notes back, incorporate them into, make the adjustments so the plan can get stronger.

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And again, going forward, that last month, before the plan is due, we will be working with the state, some state representatives, and the strategic writer, using some of that feedback to make sure that plan is nice and clean before we submit it in August.

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Okay, thank you for that, Charles. And just wanted to call out that, Sharon, you don't have your hand up, but I'm

looking at your note there. The contract budgets call for nine planning meetings by SOA at \$7,500 each. Did you want to just share a little bit more about that, or are you good? Plus, ethnic planning events.

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I don't want to take up a lot of time, but I heard last meeting, and I also heard today that there would be two forums. And so I wasn't clear, but I am on a phone. I'm sorry. I'd have conference, but I did take some snippets. If you look at the budget for the project, the contract budget, attached to the contract budget, there was one geographic planning form for every spa at \$7,500. That is a line item in the budget narrative. And there are racial planning forms beside that. So I didn't know what was being discussed, but I don't think it's happening today. But we need to clarify that.

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Okay.

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Thank you for that, Ms. Evans. Yeah. There was a little bit more clarity on those other convenings that you were referring to and less explanation about the geographic and ethnic planning event, which is why I brought those up specifically. But yes, all of those will be. There'll be multiple convenings, especially when the affinity hubs from the affinity hubs and those Michael grantees. Okay, I'm sorry. I'm sorry.

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Go ahead, Charles. No, I was just going to ask if there are any other questions about the timeline. Questions, comments, recommendations.

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Sharon, now that we have a little bit more time, I'm trying to look at this timeline. The timeline shows that the subregional table leads are going to be starting two days ago, that selection process. Now that we've been given additional time, I would like us to have an opportunity to revisit and extend that out for further discussion amongst the steering committee, because we were rushing this because we knew we had a June 1 timeline. But it looks like we have a little bit. We have three more months or two more months. So would that be a possibility?

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I believe so. We are almost done with the bylaws, so we can just fill in that meeting time and switch to the table lead suggestion. But let me just make sure. I'm not sure if our chair. Oh, by the way, our chair, Kevin harbor, is at a conference today, and so he might be joining us. Andrea, are you there? I'm here for a. Okay. Okay, cool.

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I also have to jump, so we.

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Have a funder meeting. Gotcha. Gotcha. I know. Everybody's scrambling, right? You know, we did note that Sharon, to revisit this conversation, and so I'll make sure that Kevin is aware he's.

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Actually at the same conference that at. Oh, as well as Robert.

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You can let them know.

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Well, they're downstairs. I'm in the meeting. We do have proxy from in, right? They did send proxies over for voting, everybody, because this is a big deal. We've got the governor and secretary in the house, so it's just a big deal.

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Good deal. Thank you, Sharon. And I know that your proxy for. Let's see. Who was that? I'm sorry. Here for this meeting.

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Steven and Robert to.

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That's right. Okay, perfect. Perfect. All right. Excellent. Noted.

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Stella, before you move on to Luis, because I see that hand is up, I just want to stress the importance of you guys, really, of the steering committee making sure that you focus on getting. Starting that regional table process now. And, like, yesterday. Yes, we have two additional months, but were behind, so at the best case scenario, we're exactly where we should be. And spending a lot of time just trying to design something, what may be considered the perfect way to do things, we risk going right back to being behind. So I strongly encourage everyone to start looking at the subregional table suggestion that we sent out. Start asking questions, really start putting your thinking caps on ways to start bringing those micro grantees in so the researchers can start working with them, the affinity hubs can start working with them.

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You guys really put a process in place for getting the tables and thematic areas for the tables and those table leads in place. All of this is going to take a lot of time, and we don't want to spend too much time on kind of thinking and even worse, overthinking the process.

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Thank you for that, Charles. Yeah, definitely. We would appreciate any suggestions that steering committee members have for that process, for the subregional table lead process. So. Absolutely. Luis, you have your hand up.

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Yeah, that's my one more thing.

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Yes. So, I know when we brought this up before, they said that, well, at the last time, when we discussed the sub regional table leads, they said, because there's a time frame, we wouldn't have the traditional time period to like, we wouldn't have it go through a voting to off system. So what system did we ultimately finalize upon? How do people apply for that? How is that going to be done and all that stuff?

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Well, that's what I was. You can actually advance the slide because I think Scarlett or Alan sent out a sample spreadsheet. Just a suggestion that the surf team came up with. But again, it was just so you guys can start figuring out a process, and once that's identified, Luis, then you guys can start moving the. Like, this slide is asking what course of action should be taken for spas that don't have enough applicants. So that's one of the questions. How do you move forward if there's a lot of competition for one micro grant? Those are the two main questions that need to be answered. Voting. I would highly suggest you guys stay away from, because it would probably just take too long. So a selection process will probably be the most equitable and efficient.

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However, you guys may need to make that determination on your own. The other question, I think it was actually from you, Louise, a suggestion. It was like, what happens if there's, let's say, only \$70,000 from the 90,000 is used? Where's that remaining 20,000? How is it going to be redistributed back into the program? So there are questions that the steering committee need to iron out. And the faster you guys focus on that and identify the solutions for it, the faster you can start your process.

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Final question for me. Is it on the agenda for the next steering committee to finalize this, or when are we going to vote on the final process?

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Yeah, I don't have the next meeting agenda in front of me, Luis, but we'll make sure to just connect with Kevin and with Andrea. We can talk about this. Let's see, today's Thursday, tomorrow about the agenda, and if we can include that for our next meeting.

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I know, I call it just one last thing. Sorry. Because Sharon mentioned it, the whole outreach one, the 7500 ones.

Is that something we've at all been looking at, how we're distributing that funds? Or is that whatever process we come up with this one we're going to use for that too?

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And that's it?

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That's a separate contract issue?

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Yeah. Charles, do you have a response to that?

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No, I don't. I would hope that everyone going to focus on the immediate action item right now and choosing the micro grantees, since the other convenience issues are down, the.

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Want to. Sharon, I see your hand up. Just 1 second. So Jermaine is on the call, and he asked, have affinity hub scheduled their first convenings yet? No. Asking, because these convenings are essential, will be a great help on developing community needs, especially since those will be larger groups, harder to mobilize. It'd be great to know how many will be completed before the plan is due. So, Jermaine, we don't have a plan for that yet. I mean, I know that's know just as important, but let us get back to you on that, and I'm sure that we will be able to share something very soon. As far as those meetings, then Sharon said, I'm requesting a meeting discussion subgroup to vet this out like we are doing on the bylaws, and then bring this back to the steering committee. Yeah, definitely, Sharon. I agree.

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And let's see one more point from Jermaine. Secondary to the affinity hubs, have we outlined the process to engage community members and compensate their participation?

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Engagement, I shouldn't be really speaking to this so much, but compensation, I believe CCF was doing \$100 gift cards or something like that, but that's something that they can verify later on. Regardless, the more pressing item right at this point is choosing those subregional tables, getting that process in place.

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Okay, good deal. And then one more comment. Sorry, everyone. So, Kelly, we did just cover this. Can we do an affinity hub huddle on how to structure and support? Yeah, so I think Sharon's kind of suggesting the same thing here. Sharon, you have your hand up and then. Rudy.

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No, I'm sorry, I'm just trying to figure out how to take it down on my apologize.

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No worries. No worries. Rudy.

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Yeah, team.

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I'm just sort of, for all of us that are listening and seeing the questions and prodding from the team at LeedC, we have a lot of things to cover and decisions to make, and I'm hearing loud and clear from Charles that we're behind.

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We will be right.

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Even though we got a little bit of time we're definitely behind. And so I'm wondering, Stella, and know we just finished our bylaws, or we're really close to that, but we should create some committees. I wonder if a

committee could, like, I think we need to maybe be a little more nimble. And so what I suggested in the chat is perhaps we identify two to three people that can take on some of these things, meet separately beyond the steering committee, and come back to the steering committee to make some recommendations. We can make decisions, because if we wait for the next time we get together, number one, there's too many cooks in the kitchen. All of us here are a types and have opinions. And so it's just an offering for us so we can make people proud.

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Yeah, absolutely. And it sounds, Rudy, like you're offering your time. Maybe.

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But I think that there's certainly people that have a lot of expertise here, and maybe we got to take it offline and have, like, two or three people in a committee that work on this and then come and get back to.

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Absolutely, absolutely. And let's see, I'm just looking at the comments as well. Sharon says we're not behind yet. Right. And then also, she stated, we need a work plan and timeline. Okay, duly noted. Excellent. Okay, so we're moving on to the subregional. I'm sorry, Affinity hub lead training. And who has that again? Scarlett.

25:38

Yes. Hi, everyone. So, in regards to the Affinity hub lead training, so we currently are in the process of finalizing our capacity building vendor, who will be assisting specifically in being able to help our affinity hubs, beyond them, our subregional tables. And so we are very close to contracting with them. We have conducted multiple interviews with various contenders, and now CCF is working on finalizing the contract. So we are working with them in regards to setting up our first Affinity hub lead training. We will be sending out a survey so that we can propose, whether it's virtual or in person, and times and dates for this.

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And what we seek to accomplish is to ensure that our Affinity hub leads understand what this timeline will look like, the reporting deliverables, the content that they will need to deliver, and also be able to provide more additional opportunities for training if they do require. So our goal is to complete this training in February. We are really hoping to have this early to mid February so that convenings can begin. And if there are any questions, I can go ahead and take some.

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Thank you, Scarlett. What questions? Suggestions? Comments? Sharon, I see your comment. Bentors has sent his proxy a formal. Hold on 1 second. And a formal opposition to the bid process for capacity building training contract. He sent the opposition to the chair, so I'm not aware of that, Sharon, but thank you for that, and I'm sure that Kevin will discuss that with us. Any other comments there? All right. I don't see any other hands. All right, thank you, Scarlett. Appreciate that. And then we're moving on to, very quickly moving on to the bylaws, LaHRTC steering committee and chair and vice chair bylaws. And I think. Is that you again, Scarlett, or.

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Sorry, I don't recall, but I can go ahead and take this. So we are very close as far as finishing our bylaws. And so we are scheduled to have our next meeting tomorrow from 11:00 a.m. To 1230. And right now, what we would like to finalize is expanding the definition of charitable organizations. And so there was a 13 to zero vote in favor of expanding this definition. And so now we have provided this new definition, and we will go ahead and share these slides after our meeting, but we will be hopefully finalizing them by tomorrow. And to keep in mind, if we do finalize by tomorrow, the CJF team still needs to have some time.

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As far as going through the three, well, they were three documents, but now we're concluding one major document to ensure that every provision has all the suggestions as well as the propositions that folks have asked for. And so after this will be brought formally as a vote to the steering committee and then will also be brought forward to showcase to our alley HRTC. We would love to finalize this as we have been working on this since, I believe, summertime, and this will allow us some time to now move forward with some of our most immediate deliverables that we have pending.

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Absolutely agree. Yeah, we want to get this one done, put a bow on it. So thank you for that update, Scarlett. What comments, questions, concerns do we have about the bylaws? Let's see.

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Yeah, there is.

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Go ahead.

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Yeah. So, Sharon asks, when will the combined documents be shared? So the documents are already combined. And so what I meant by having more time for the CGF team is just to ensure that every edit that was added is appropriately entered and just ensuring that we do one final revision. But the document, as it stands, already has the three major bylaws, which were the steering committee bylaws, the LA HRTC bylaws, and the chair and vice chair bylaws. They are already combined. We just need some time to ensure that we revise and create one final document that is to its perfection to then ensure we can introduce it to the steering committee for a vote. We will then use these bylaws to also update our website.

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A lot of the changes that have been made also need to be reflected on the information that is currently on the website. So that is something that we have to work on as well once there is that final adoption of the bylaws.

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Okay, good deal. Thank you for that. And just again, a reminder, our next meeting, and hopefully it's the final meeting, is scheduled for tomorrow, January 26, and we start at 11:00 a.m. We're hoping that we won't take that full hour and a half. But just in case, we have expanded those meetings to make sure that we have enough time to go through this process to hear all of your suggestions, any concerns that you have as well. So thank you for that. Let's see, does this mean we'll see the combined doc in tomorrow's meeting? Scarlett, did you respond to that?

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Yes, I did. The bylaws are currently.

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That's right. That's right. Good deal. I see. Alan, you have your hand up. Yeah.

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I just wanted to add to the whole bylaws conversation just to reiterate what our chair was emphasizing in the last meeting, just to try to get your comments in on the document before the meeting, as well as including your justification for whatever edit that you have. And if you see other comments from other committee members that might be conflicting or maybe adding to whatever edits that you've added, feel free to add comments under their comments. I think having some of that conversation offline on the document would expedite things when we're in the meeting, because a lot of the meeting is a lot of conversation that occurs that could be moved forward a lot faster if we all have our suggestions already in there. But that's all I wanted to say. Thank you, Stella.

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Thank you, Alan. Appreciate it. All right, any other comments, hands up. I don't see any. Yeah, I agree. Sharon, great job. La EDC team, thank you for pushing this forward. All right, we're moving into research updates, and we have Armin doing a recap here or an update. Sorry, Armin.

33:17

Yes. Yeah. Thank you, Stella. Hello, everybody. I'll be giving the research updates as usual. So I'll begin with talking about the regional summary. I spoke with civil economics yesterday. They presented their results from the survey at the county level, and I have to say that it was very fascinating, and I'm really excited to see what their index ends up looking like as the survey is representative of gender and racial ethnic demographics at the spa level. It did actually end up being very close to representing those racial and ethnic demographics, which was very good thing to see. They're going to do a further analysis on the survey at spa level over the next weeks.

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So just to kind of go over what they presented to me yesterday, when they gave me a kind of high level overview of the surveys, it was a wide array of questions regarding employment, income, education, and sort of standard demographic markers. But they also asked some more pressing, inquisitive questions to get at what people in our county are feeling related to things like transportation options and in general their lived environments or landscapes. Some of these questions were like, do you think your neighborhood has too much, too little, or the right amount of following housing options and listing on different housing options? Do you think your neighborhood has adequate green spaces? What types of businesses do you wish to see more of in your neighborhood? So, yeah, just trying to get more at what people are feeling that maybe the data doesn't capture.

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The other aspect of their community engagement is interviews with large employers, and they're going to finalize the surveys for that over the next week. So I'll have more information on that next time we all meet. The index is still being developed and they're still continuing to incorporate new findings, especially from these surveys, into the index. I'm going to move on to the industry cluster analysis. I spoke with Beacon economics earlier today and like the call with civil, it was a really enlightening and productive conversation. They're continuing with their strategy of identifying existing clusters in La county and then looking into their sustainability and equity metrics to get a better idea of how they align with the California jobs first objectives.

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These sustainability and equity metrics include proportion of green jobs, sort of index they're creating based on various environmental impacts, greenhouse gas emissions, water pollution, things like that. And the equity is focused on racial, ethnic, and gender diversity relative to the United States as a whole. Another really interesting thing that they're doing is identifying emerging clusters where it seems that they are doing a bulk of their more sophisticated statistical analysis, which they review today. They're ultimately going to end up with ranking, with a ranking system where they're going to be ranking the different industry clusters, and they'll have a few different ranks that we can refer to. So there will have one rank based on sort of traditional national indicators such as cluster growth rate, average establishment size, and average ways.

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And then the aforementioned ranks will have the aforementioned sustainability and equity ranks, which I mentioned earlier. So we may have some industries that are ranking high in one way and low in another and so on and so forth. So that's when I'll be able to exercise some decision making. And we're going to have to make some choices eventually, but hopefully we'll have clusters and industry clusters that rank high in all of them. So, yeah, we'll be able to use those ranks to identify industries as we decide how to proceed with thematic areas for the partners. So we'll have more on their community engagement in the coming weeks, sort of stakeholder engagement. And lastly, on the swot analysis, there isn't really anything more to add here. We received the final version from Beacon, but it's a really giant file.

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Due to the graphics, it can't be sent through email. So we're working on uploading that and adding it to an updated regional plan, part one document. And that's all I have. Thank you.

37:07

All right, thank you, Armin. Appreciate that. We have some documents that Sharon is posting here in the chat, or is that just to me? Sharon, I'm sorry.

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No, it was for the membership, and it was particularly just relating to the discussion. I think Marvin brought up a comment last meeting, I thought I heard it correctly, that he was using parity as the basis for. He had the researchers use parity rather than equity and equal in terms of the way that they were doing community surveying. And I wasn't certain, but I wanted to verify that because our whole entire foundation in terms of including voice in our survey and researching activity is based on equal participation of all groups and not parity. But I may have heard it incorrectly, so I was hoping we could clarify. And what I did is I pulled that part out of the contract and put that into the chat.

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Thank you, Sharon.

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Yeah. Stella, if I could.

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Yes.

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So I'm not sure exactly what you're referring to. I don't think I've ever used the term parity. If you're referring to the community engagement that civil economics is doing, those are representative samples. So it's representing at the spa level, it's 800 surveys that were conducted, and it's representative at the spa level of racial demographics and gender demographics. So if that's what you're referring to, I hope that answers the question.

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Sharon, you all good with that?

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Yeah, I'm not sure that was why I put it in there. So if I understood it, again, if the representative samples are surveying individuals based on their percentage of representation of the spa, that's called parity. If in fact, you have equal surveying, regardless of two ethnic group, which is what we called for. And in the contract, no one group would have any more representation evaluation than any other. Then we have an opportunity to look at each of the subgroups and their distinctive needs and place them equally on the table. I just wasn't sure. Again, a percentage of based on local market share is parity. It's what we've been striving for in economics for decades. But we specifically did not exclude it parity as an acceptable method or metric or approach in our contract.

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And so I wanted to put that out there in that language so that we could have a further discussion around it, if that is what I was understanding.

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Yeah, I understand what you're saying. I would like to point out that the benefit of using a representative sample in this instance is that the results are statistically significant. So I would just like to point that out. And this is something we can further discuss, I think. So maybe we can move on to another topic. And I see Tony has.

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Yes. So Tony was asking, when will the research be presented to the steering committee? And then a follow up comment. I think we need a subgroup or side meeting to develop some models for sharing the regional plan data to our various engagement groups. While the different tables hold on, the different tables will have different approaches to engaging their members. There should be basic slides and summaries they can draw from.

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Okay, well, I'm not sure. I think that's something that the steering committee can decide the second thing, but I will address the first question. When will the research be presented to the steering committee? So I'm not too sure if the researchers themselves will be presenting it or I'll be presenting it. And we can expect to do maybe sometime in February. It does depend when we receive the final research. So I can't give a set date, but I will be holding office hours for sure. That's something Charles mentioned in the timeline earlier, so that's what I can say now.

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Okay, so, Armin, do you have a sense, are you thinking like, early to mid February? Late February? And I'm just asking this because we're going to be doing all this affinity hubby training as well. So February looks like it's going to be super tight.

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Yeah, yeah, I agree. I think February is going to be very busy. So, yeah, you're asking me if I have a sense of when.

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Yeah.

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So we're expecting some deliverables from the researchers, especially in February. So I would say expect mid February. Early February, yeah.

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Okay. All right.

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But this is also pending some further discussions. We're going to have with the researchers about these deliverables. But just because it is very pressing that we move forward, like we heard earlier, we've kind of been granted a second lifeline here. So it is important that we do move forward with that process.

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Got you. Sharon's also suggesting that she'd like the researchers to present their results. I'm not sure how everyone else feels, but I think that would be really helpful for us to hear from the actual researchers that are doing this work. So just want to put that out there. All right. Any other comments? Yeah, so to allow us to ask questions.

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Stella. Sorry, I just had actually one more thing I wanted to add just about representation, because I feel like it's a really important point. It's actually quite interesting that the surveys also had representation from, I would say, quite underrepresented groups, such as transgender individuals, non binary individuals. There was American Indian, Alaskan natives represented as well. So I just wanted to throw that out there, but we'll have more information. Thank you, everybody.

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Good deal. I'm just making a note as well. And Jermaine is saying the bigger piece I'm seeing is the research being understood and presented to the community. So there is actually a bigger need here. I'd suggest a recorded HRTC presentation of all data and findings. Thank you for that, Jermaine. I agree. I think that would be really helpful. So just something to note there as well. Armin?

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Yes.

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All right.

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Thank you.

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Okay, if there are no other comments or suggestions on research updates.

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Yeah, I'm sorry, Stella. You probably can't see my hand is.

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Sorry. Sorry, Charles.

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That's okay.

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I think it's blending in the background. Yeah, but no, the research. Armand, thank you for. I thought that was great. Summaries of the three reports conducted by Beacon and civil. And there's more to come. But again, the stressing that timeline of trying to get the micrograntee subregional tables in place is the research civil. And Beacon, they're going to be doing follow up questions and talking with different stakeholders, probably some of you guys on the call here, but it's important that they also talk to those micro grantees. So the faster those

organizations are in place, we'll give them more time to start doing more interviews and integrating those replies back into the existing research. So again, it's very important that we pay attention to the timeline.

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Absolutely. Thank you for that, Charles. All right. I don't see any other folks with questions or comments, so we can move on to the collaborative governance check. And I believe that's me. Oh, thank you, Ellen.

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Yeah, sorry. We kind of updated this after we had our little run of show, but like we mentioned in the previous meeting, we did have the interest form for any organizations interested in presenting to the steering committee. So, as mentioned before that was completed. However, we did want to present the process in which these organizations who are requesting to present would be approved or disapproved. So, upon working with our steering committee leadership team, the suggestion was to allow you all committee members to access the spreadsheet in which the submissions populate so you would all be able to see what the answers to each of their questions were on the form. And based on those answers and what their organization does, you would be able to approve or disapprove their request to present to the steering committee.

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So the method that we would be using this process is if you approve of the organization presenting, then there's no action needed. You can just leave the spreadsheet alone. If you disapprove, then we're asking that you would insert an x in the cell of the approval and disapproval column. And I'll go ahead and drop that spreadsheet in the chat as well. And we'll go ahead and add that to the resource tracker so you guys can go ahead and take a look at that every now and then to ensure that before every meeting, we can make sure that we have a green light on these organizations who are looking to present and with the majority of disapprovals. To approve a disapproval of an organization, we need 18 disapprovals total to then disqualify that submission from presenting to the steering committee.

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So, as I mentioned, I'll go ahead and drop the link in the chat, and the column in which you would be approving or disapproving would be the very last column. So feel free to scroll horizontally and you'll find that column there. Does anyone have any questions before I move on to the next slide?

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Thank you for that, Alan. Appreciate it.

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Okay, it doesn't look like any questions, so let me go ahead and drop that in the chat here, and it should be there for you all. I'll go ahead and move on to the next item, which is the collaborative governance check. So I believe we have gone over this deliverable in the last few steering committee meetings. So this deliverable is due on January 31. And everything on this slide is what the state is asking for us to submit. I'm glad to say that we are on track to successfully complete this deliverable. When we're talking about our governance committee, I made sure to talk to OPR, our representative from OPR, Matt Phillips, he did clarify that it's just our steering committee, which we have completely seated. So very glad to hear that.

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And we'll go ahead and submit all of these items next week in a timely manner on the deadline. Does anyone have any questions about the collaborative governance check? I see, Sharon, your question is, will you be sharing the HRTC response with us? Sharon, do you mean the summary of the Governance committee selection process, the submission.

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Yeah.

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Of. Yeah, we can definitely share that. It's just going to be a roster as well as the most recent steering committee agenda and minutes, as well as the process, the summary of the process, but we'll definitely upload that to the website once we have everything completed. I think for the roster, I believe we're not sharing email addresses on our website, so we'll figure something out to ensure that we abide by those privacy. I see you're saying the 350 word response before submission. So in my perspective, I don't really see it necessary to have our steering committee take time to do this document because we did implement this process of the election and it was pretty

straightforward and I believe everyone understands it in the same way because that process was a very detailed and elongated process.

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But yes, I hope that answers your question, Sharon.

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I'm fine with that. I just would like us to be able to see the shared document before you hit submit, just to make sure that it is reflective of what we understand that would be beneficial for us in terms of. Again, we're talking about this whole, we're talking in the Ballas committee around governance checks and validation processes. And since we're that validator, I would be helpful. Thank you.

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Yeah, of course.

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And completely understand that in the spirit of transparency, we're happy to share that document as we further develop it, but we can go ahead and share that in the next day or so. Thank you so much. Are there any other questions? Thank you, Stella. Any other questions or comments?

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I don't see any hands raised, Alan, with that. Thank you again. And we can move on to the fiscal agent update. Let's see. I'm not sure who we have from the CCF here.

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Yeah, so Stella, about that. So Maria did mention. So Jose actually had a scheduling conflict and is unable to make it. Maria told me she was going to be on around 140, but it looks like she might be later than usual. Yeah. So I think what we can do is I'll just move on to the next item, which is our upcoming meetings, and we can wrap up with next steps. And hopefully Maria will join before we end the meeting.

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Perfect. And that's you again, Alan, right?

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Yes. So yeah, just a reminder of our upcoming meeting. So we do have the next hearing committee meeting on Thursday, February eighth. So that's two weeks from today, same time, 01:00 p.m. To 02:30 p.m. As usual. And we do have our next partners meeting on February 9, which is of course on a Friday at our usual time in the morning from 09:00 a.m. To 10:00 a.m. And lastly, of course, we have our bylaws meeting scheduled for tomorrow, Friday, January 26, and the same time as we've been doing the last couple of meetings, 11:00 a.m. To 12:30 p.m. Hopefully we'll be able to wrap up the bylaws by tomorrow. But yes, hope to see you all at these upcoming meetings.

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With that said, I'll go ahead and move forward to the next step slide and Chioma can go ahead and chime in on our next steps.

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Good deal. Thanks, Helen. Thank you, Chioma. Hello, can you all hear me? Yes, can hear you. Thanks. Yeah, so again, in keeping with sharing the same visual here of the alignment of surface phases that comes from the SFP for the catalyst. Yeah, so we had an update from the state regarding the budget. I believe you all received an email from us earlier this week with the updates regarding the implementation phase. So we learned that the new state proposed budget doesn't affect planning phase one or a catalyst, but it does affect the implementation phase. So now that section, the dates and the proposed work period and the amount of funding for implementation is to be determined. It's proposed in the budget to delay 200 million of the implementation funds.

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And so as we receive information from the state, as we receive updates from the state, we'll definitely share the information as it becomes available. Next steps would just include definitely us working in conjunction with the team, working with the steering committee to finalize a process for the sub regional table leads, aka the micro

grantees. We do want to finalize that process and catalyst. The catalyst work is still set to begin May 1. We should be receiving an update from the state within the next 30 days on catalyst, the funding and the details of that. A little homework section. I suggest our steering committee as well as all of our HRTC partners that I speak with to read through the regional plan part one. It's on the website, on the about page.

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So la cerf.org about scroll to the bottom and in the deliverable section, you'll see the entire document. It's a lengthy document, but I would suggest everyone read through that. There's the data in there, the summaries. It's a lot of information. And then the regional plan part 2, August 30 is the new date. Even though August 30 is the new date, I will say if history is a good teacher, a lot of engagement falls off after June. So that's why I would like for us to see that we kind of stick with the same tight deadline of getting as much as we can get done as soon as possible, or at least by June, because engagement does fall off after kids are out of school in the summer months begin. But yeah, those are the next steps. And I see Maria is on the call.

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So if anyone has any questions for this section, please let me know and then we'll go to CCF's update. Thank you for that gioma. And folks really like that we have next steps listed as part of our agenda. So appreciate you just reviewing all the upcoming steps and tasks that we need to prepare for and start working on. So thank you Chioma. I don't see any hands raised. Let me take one more think. I think we're ready for Maria. Thank you Maria for joining and we'll just go back to the fiscal agent update and it's all yours.

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Thank you Stella and apologies committee. I had a scheduling conflict for today's meeting and so wasn't able to join at the top of the meeting where we typically provide our report. But I'm here now and happy to provide updates on the work that we've been doing on behalf of the LAHRTC. We have two main updates to provide you for you today. One is on the catalyst grant application. I don't know if LAEDC has been able to share this news with all of you, but wanted to provide you an update that we have been awarded the catalyst grant that we applied for back in November. So we're really excited about that. We got notification earlier this week and have received an email from the state requesting for us to start filling out papers. Right. Contract negotiations and such.

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So we're reviewing those forms now and our deadline to submit them is January 31. These are state forms that are required in order to be a contractor with the state of California. So forms that we've already completed and submitted to the state for the planning grant. So nothing new there. And they're asking us to respond to questions on our application to provide clarification. LAEDC is working on those, along with Jose on our end to get that submitted as well. Any questions on the catalyst grant? Okay, just a couple other things, actually, that I remembered. One is the state is going to provide official notification to everyone, make a public announcement mid February. So they've asked that in the interim, we not make a formal announcement publicly. So we're sharing this with you.

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But again, we're not to kind of make public announcements until the state makes its own announcement mid February.

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And then.

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Onto the capacity building contract. So we have been in touch with LAEDC. They provided us with the scope of work, the proposals, and the outreach emails that they made to potential capacity building vendors. We are now ready to provide the steering committee with a bid package that includes the copy of the two proposals that were submitted. The recommendation obviously coming forward will be to contract with side porch. Of the two proposals, side porch is the only proposal that's able to meet the deliverables listed in the scopes of work. So we're making that recommendation. We will be coming back to the steering committee next week to request for your approval. So my hope is that by the end of today, we'll share that package with LAEDC so that they could share it with all of you.

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You have a week to review, and then at the next hearing committee meeting, you can discuss that big package

and hopefully provide your approval so that we can move forward with the contracting. I'll stop there. Are there any questions?

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Well, Luis, I'm sorry. Let's do Luis. And then Benjamin.

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So on the catalyst grant, you said our grant got approved. How much was that for again? And when can we start trying to expend some of those funds, or how does that work and any information you can share.

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Yeah, that's a great question, Louise. So, so far, we've just been notified the notification is contingent on us executing an actual contract with the state. So that still hasn't happened. Our deadline is to provide back to the state some contracting forms January 31, and then after that, we may need to sign an actual agreement. The timing of that, we don't know because that'll be on the state side. In terms of their timeline, they did share with us that their hope is that by May 1, we will have an executed agreement. So between us submitting these forms and May 1, just that contract negotiation period, our hope is that by May 1, we have an executed agreement. Once we have an executed agreement in hand, then we can begin expending funds before then.

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Do we know how much we got?

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They haven't said explicitly but my sense is that we got the full 14 million. We'll find out more a little bit, hopefully, in the next couple of weeks.

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Okay, good deal. Ben, you have your hand up?

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Yeah. It's more of a reflection in terms of the capacity building contract process. I wanted to just lift up. And some of us have been talking about this in the bylaws committee and other spaces, that it was rather unfortunate that when the capacity building contract opportunities arose, that some of us who do capacity building work as a core part of our work were not allowed to apply for those funds. And it was a decision that was not made by the HRTC or the steering committee members. It was done by, I'm assuming, LADC. And I just want to raise that.

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That's really problematic and something that there's a lot of organizations who are part of the steering committee, as I'm looking at the board, who do this kind of work, and the fact that were told we could not apply, I think it weakened the process and the selection process. I just wanted to raise that up as an issue and going forward. It concerns me that if the steering committee is making decisions on behalf of the best interests of the entire group, then we should have the space to do that, as opposed to an outside organization or a group that's not the steering committee making decisions about who can apply or not apply for capacity building contracts that are critical to making sure the most marginalized members of our community are engaged in the process. So I just wanted to lift that up as a concern.

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And I look forward to looking at and heavily scrutinizing whoever you all selected group to make sure that they have the ability to deliver services and build real capacity on the ground of residents, for example, in south central Los Angeles. So I did want to raise that as a concern and a big oversight, in my opinion, of this process. Thank you.

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Thank you for that, Ben. We appreciate it. Marie, I don't know if you want to respond. Sharon also has her hand up.

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Yeah. The only thing I'll say is that weren't involved in that process. And so we defer to the LAhRTC in terms of. For our role. We bring together the materials, prepare them, make sure that everything is in compliance, and

then we bring it back to the LHRTC for a review and approval. So it's within the committee's right to scrutinize the proposals and make a decision based on your assessment of the opportunity and the solicitation.

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Yeah, thank you for that, Ben. We have Sharon and then hypen who have their hands up. And then a comment from Jermaine.

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So I'm aware of this because I heard about it and I do want to frame this. Part of my expertise is procurement, and it has been for 30 years. My understanding is that a decision was made, a unilateral decision was made that to bar a group or one or more steering committee members from being able to bid on a contract. And if it was for reasons that, as I was informed, conflict of interest, that raises a very big issue. What's unfair bid process? It is a fair bid process violation because we do not have our conflicts of interest documents defined. That's worked. We're working on that in our bylaws. But more importantly, two issues are prefaced on this one.

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We had LAEDC allowed to, a member of the steering committee, a non voting member of the steering committee allowed and convener to bid on the marketing RFP. And at the same time we have steering committee members being told they cannot bid because they're members of the steering committee. When it comes to conflict of interest and you're voting on something, you must recuse yourself. Everybody knows that. But this is an unfair bidding process violation. If this were a state contract, it would be thrown out. And so I bring that issue to you to tell you we are addressing the conflict of interest language in our bylaws tomorrow, but we cannot have unilateral decision making on who is or who is not eligible to participate in processes being made by the convener or the fiscal agent.

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Their duties and responsibilities are outlined very specifically in the contract. And I'm happy to put that section in the chat and those are not part of them. So I just wanted to share that. And again, on behalf of the entire steering committee, I apologize to you, Ben, because we know that we all are in business to do business, and we have enough ethical responsibility to refuse ourselves when we could benefit from voting on an opportunity.

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Thank you for that, Sharon. Duly noted. Hypen yeah.

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Hey, Pin.

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Sorry. That's okay.

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All good. So I just want to agree with the earlier comment that I would say for underserved communities. There's very few of us who have capacity building skills who are like, I know for me this is just really hard, trying to stay up, keep up with all these months and months of planning. But I want to also emphasize that again, we're in this space because we have that capacity and we do capacity building to be a voice for some of the people that we believe are underserved. And I just would like to see some kind of a process that would make sense where steering committee member organizations could somehow potentially be considered also candidates.

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Okay. I appreciate your comments there, Hafen. All right, I don't see any more hands. I'm going to go to the comment 1 second. I'm sorry. Let me read real quick what Jermaine was saying. We also have been asked by the state to work with our partners in Orange county to support the governor's career education master plan. More info to come, but the event will most likely be held at Cal State Long beach due to it being close to Orange county and with La county, we also asked LBCC as another option. The goal is to invite 150 individuals across both areas to support this development activity. As soon as things are more solidified, we'll let everyone know. The state's looking at the first week of March. Great news for our region to have direct input in these types of activities. Absolutely.

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Thank you for that, Jermaine. I was able to attend that meeting. So very interesting, the work that's going to be done for that effort. And then let's see. Tony says the bylaws have a proposed conflict of interest process for contracting issues. It allows for a group to excuse itself from the development and review of the solicitation. Thank you, Tony. Any other comments on that? Appreciate you pointing that out. Okay. I don't see any more hands raised. Any more comments. So good.

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Have. Sorry, Stella, we have Linda raising her hand, and I'm sure, if I may speak as well.

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Yes, Linda, I'm sorry. Didn't see your hand.

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No problem. I'm just saying that a lot of us here at this table, we may be small and mighty and everything, and for us not to be able to frame it, but then not be able to participate in the growth of this, I think that is not great. And I think, like Tony said, we have put in there conflict of interest to bow out in the vetting process. If someone here wanted to go for the funds to do any of the programs that we're trying to put out here for the community, I just wanted to be on record to say that we should be able to take part in the bidding process also because we're the ones framing and trying to give our expertise to say what is needed in our communities.

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Got it. Thank you for that, Linda. Appreciate your honesty there. All right. And Ellen, you had a comment?

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Yeah, but before I comment, I just wanted to make sure that I wasn't speaking over Maria. Are you all good on your side? Your fiscal okay, perfect. Well, thank you, Maria. We really appreciate you, as always. And that's all the agenda items for the meeting. However, I personally just wanted to kind of go back to the timeline to reiterate. So I know from some folks perspectives, because of this extension of the two months, it seems like we have a lot of time. But as Charles mentioned, were behind previously. And now that we have the extra two months, it's not that we have a lot of time, it's just we have more time to get things done. And I'd like to speak candidly to, for the success of this process, I'd like to speak candidly about our team.

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We look at what needs to be done, and not just the milestones that you see here, but there's a lot of processes that need to happen in between. For example, just with the subregional table leads, we will need 90 cbos. We'll need 90 cbos to fill these roles. So with that said, there's the process of one getting the word out of this opportunity to all of the service planning areas, which is nine of them. And not just that, but engaging, reengaging our partners that we have that are already engaged in the HRTC, but maybe kind of moved away from the process because they were waiting for these funding opportunities. So not just getting the word out, but having people understand the program, what they're getting into.

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And then of course there comes a contracting and Mario could probably speak on this later, but we don't know what that contracting looks like and how long for 90 microgrants and to get the funds distributed. So just the subregional table leads in of itself, I see that as a concern in regards to taking a lot of time. And I just also wanted to echo, I heard Sharon and Rudy, you were mentioning maybe a few steering committee folks. If you are open to it and you'd like to contribute to moving forward this process, maybe some offline work can be done in terms of determining how this process will look. I mean, it looks like from our spreadsheet we didn't get too many comments or feedback in addressing some of our pending questions about the process as well as the rubric.

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What's the application going to look like? So we definitely need some extra brain power from you committee members, because like Linda's saying in the chat, we do have to move fast. And I think it would be really efficient if we could do work outside of these meetings because we do have limited time in these meetings and they're mostly updates, as you all know. But the real work, it has to happen offline. But with that said, that's really all I wanted to say. I just wanted to give a realistic perspective of where we're going in this project.

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Absolutely. Thank you, Alan. Really appreciate your just sense of urgency around so. Absolutely. And Louise

says in the chat, I would like to participate. I think Sharon was volunteering. Right, Sharon, anyone else want to be part of that subcommittee? If you do, please let Ellen know. Please reach out and at least two or three steering committee members. I think that would be really helpful. Luis, you have your hand up again. I'm sorry. And Sharon, I'll come to you next.

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Yeah, my question was relating to the catalyst program funding, the 14 million. Looking at the presentation we have on our site, it said it was typically broken down. 14 million, 2 million for HRTC operations, 1.5 towards sector investment coordinators, 1.5 storage grants, administrative and compliance, and then another 9 million for pre project developments. Are those amounts locked in or do we have wiggle room to play with some of those? Because I guess it's like, so if we decide, you know, what, we don't need the sector coordinators or we don't need a 1.5 million for them, we'd rather have half a million for that and then 1 million more towards the pre planning, how much leeway do we have on that?

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And then I couldn't find it on the website, but do we have the list of the final document of what was actually submitted to the state so we can see what we proposed? Because I'm not finding it on there.

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Maria, would you be able to answer that question?

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Yeah, I can answer the first part of the question. The second part, in terms of the location of the final proposal, I believe it was shared with the LAHRTC, and LADC has a final copy of that. For the proposal that we submitted to the state. They basically approved what we submitted, and so the amounts are requirements that the state put forward. So they were requiring that proposals include 1.5 for the coordinators, 1.5 for the fiscal agent, 2 million for administration and 9 million for projects. So those amounts are locked in for those categories. We can't change them because that's kind of what was in the solicitation and what they were asking for. So I think what we've been doing, as we've kind of been going through the planning process, is engaging in a conversation with the state around budget modifications.

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If we'd have to speak with them after the contract is executed, if that is even an option for budget amendments and to what extent they would allow.

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So we're on the web page. I'm on the web page right now and I'm not seeing it on there. I see the links for the shoot. I just closed it accidentally. But if somebody can point on the web page where our final proposal is.

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Can I add, Louise, all the information for catalyst is in the catalyst box at the bottom of the about page. So if you're on the main page, just click the menu. If you're on your phone, if you're on computer, just the next one about.

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I clicked the catalyst tab, but I don't see our final application. Oh, Mcashi. Okay, I think I see it now.

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Okay. Yeah. All right. Okay. Great deal. Thank you, Chioma. All right, and let's see. Sharon, you had your hand just.

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I had a question that didn't get answered and I wasn't had the last. During community meeting, Dr. Franco was on the call as well, and we asked that a separate notice be sent out to the HRTC membership, notifying them of the upcoming sub regional table, upcoming opportunity to be on the lookout for it and just provide them the general definition of what that is as it is in our documents. Did that go out? I did not see that notice, but I was rather preoccupied.

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Is that something that you can respond to, Ellen?

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Yes, we did send out a news and updates email to the whole LaHRTC where we did have a section on upcoming funding opportunities. I did leave it very, in a very general manner, seeing that we don't necessarily have the application process finalized to be able to promote that. But we did go ahead and include that there would be funding opportunities for 90 subregional tables at 10,000, as well as eight table partner leads at 50,000 and included the website portion of where they can read more about the responsibilities and duties of those subgroups. So we did have that included in the last email. As we move forward with finalizing the processes of the selection and application, I'll be sure to include more additional information as well as other forms of outreach for these funding opportunities.

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Perfect.

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Can we please send out a separate email? I think the agreement was for a separate email for that to stand alone, just upcoming opportunities. And I know that Dr. Franco asked for the same because she wanted to mobilize on that item. But if we could do that as a separate opportunity, not buried in a newsletter. That's what the steering committee had asked for.

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Yeah, it's not a newsletter. It was a news and updates, very short email. I think less than one page that it was included. But, yes, as we move forward with more concrete information, I can definitely include a specific email for the funding opportunities that are upcoming.

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Perfect. Thank you, Scarlett. And thanks for your question, Sharon. Anyone else? Comments? Alan, just a have for the subcommittee, I have Sharon, Luis, Tony, Ben, and Crystal. Just double checking.

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Thank you, Stella. And thank you to Ben, Sharon, Tony, Luis, Linda, and Crystal for volunteering because, yeah, we definitely got to get this process going. So I'll email you all after this meeting, and then hopefully we can get something coordinated for early next week, possibly.

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Awesome.

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And, yeah, excited to move it forward.

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Yeah. Excellent. Thank you all for stepping up. Really appreciate it. We know your day jobs take up so much time, and it's just challenging to find those additional few minutes here and there. So really appreciate it. Charles, I thought I saw your hand up. I'm sorry if I missed you. All good.

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Okay.

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Sorry.

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Okay. All right. Good deal. Well, if there are no other comments, suggestions, recommendations, really appreciate it. We have about nine minutes before 230, so we get a little break in between our next meeting, right? So thank you all. Thank you so much. Really appreciate your commitment to this effort. Have a great weekend, everyone.

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Bye bye, everyone. Bye.