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Goal:

- Maximize use and regional impact of American Recovery and Reinvestment Act stimulus dollars to address short-term economic hardship and make transformational investments in infrastructure, technology & human capital.

Scope of Work

- Develop, coordinate and administer a successful interagency collaboration plan and delivery system for local taxing authorities, business and community action agencies to secure ARRA funds for human capital needs, capacity building and economic recovery activities.
- Identify shared priorities and funding that align with community goals.
- Partner to enhance opportunities to access existing/future stimulus dollars, maximize impacts, and sustain collaborative efforts.
- Educate community about stimulus funding, coordination efforts, opportunities, sustainability, and short and long-term impacts to policy-makers, business, media, non-profits, tax-payers and others in community.

Steering Committee

Composition: Austin Community College, Austin ISD, Capital Metro, City of Austin, Travis County, Travis County Healthcare District, Workforce Solutions, Austin Chamber of Commerce, and Community Action Network.

Role

- Guide flexible process and develop work plan to coordinate stimulus efforts.
- Identify shared priorities *across partners and issue areas* that align with community goals.
- Conduct inventory of stimulus funds coming to our community.
- Support and report on partner and subcommittee efforts to administer, evaluate, coordinate, sustain and apply for stimulus funding.
- Educate community (policy-makers, businesses, non-profits, media, tax payers, and others) on stimulus coordination efforts, opportunities, successes, sustainability, and short-term/long-term impacts.

Meeting Schedule

- 9:30 to 11 am on Jan. 4 (@ACC), **March 1** (@Palm Square), May 17 (@AISD), **July 19** (@City Hall), Sept. 20 (@TCHD), and **Nov. 15**(@CapMetro) from 9:30 to 11 am.
- Joint meetings with subcommittee chairs in **bold above**.

Subcommittees

Role:

- Guide flexible process to identify shared priorities *within the specific issue area* that align with community goals.
- Identify/report on existing and future stimulus funds that community will apply for. If necessary, convene stakeholders to collaboratively submit applications.
- Identify/report on opportunities and barriers to accessing funds.
- Identify/report on stimulus funds received including administration, evaluation and coordination activities across organizations.
- Participate in forums to conduct outreach to community.
- Provide status reports to Steering Committee leads for discussion on Jan. 4, March 1, May 17, July 19, Sept. 20, and Nov. 15.

Meeting Schedule

- Meeting dates for subcommittees vary: Education (AISD & ACC leads), Energy (City of Austin lead), Family Sustainability (Travis County lead), Healthcare (TCHD lead), Public Safety & Law Enforcement (Travis County lead), Technology (AISD lead), Transportation (CapMetro lead), and Workforce Development (ACC & Workforce Solutions leads).