

Strengthening Community-Based Partnerships

**Los Angeles County
Department of Economic Opportunity
and
Workforce Development Board**

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A Community Forum
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- ▶ Under the federal Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act (WIOA), local workforce development boards must develop and submit to the Governor a **comprehensive 4-year plan**. Los Angeles County WDB's current Local Plan identifies and describes partnerships, services, and workforce development activities carried out in the County.
- ▶ No later than March 31, 2023, the County must submit to the State a **biennial (two-year) update** to the current 4-year Local Plan, which covers July 1, 2021 through June 30, 2025.

Some Background on Workforce Development Local Plans

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With the implementation of the Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act (WIOA), federal workforce development programs sent a clear message about the importance of collaboration across an array of federally funded programs.

L.A County's workforce development system has achieved remarkable success in developing and maintaining partnerships with a wide range of federal, state, and local programs that supplement and enhance the efforts of County-administered America's Job Centers of California (AJCCs). Still, there is room for improvement in terms of collaboration with community and grass roots organizations.



For Your Consideration and Our Discussion...

- L.A. County has one of the richest community-based service networks in the nation. Which segments of this network are underutilized by the workforce system?
- WIOA and other federally funded programs have limitations as to services that can be provided as well as who can be served. Are there potential partner organizations that can help bridge these gaps?
- How can the County engage CBOs to serve as “access points” for the workforce system? What would this look like?
- For community organizations, what are the benefits of collaborating with the workforce system? How should the County go about communicating these benefits?

Next Steps:



November 2022 – Gather the public input from these meetings



December 2022 – Synthesize public input and update the Local and Regional Plans



January – February 2023 – Release Local Plan draft for 30-day public commentary period



March 2023 – Submit Local and Regional Area Plans to the California Workforce Development Board