Steering Committee

May 25, 2022; 2:00 - 3:30 pm
Objectives of today’s Steering Committee Meeting

Review draft Big Moves for housing and economic security and get high-level feedback and direction from the RIC
Agenda

- Welcome 02:00 PM
- Regional Action Plan | Where we’ve been 02:05 PM - 02:15 PM
- Platform for Change | Big Moves 02:15 PM - 02:40 PM
  - Goals
  - What we’ve heard
  - Break
- Reviewing Big Moves & group discussion 02:45 PM - 03:20 PM
- Close & next steps 03:20 PM - 03:30 PM
Overall agreement and support in particular to the accountability and transparency elements

- Leverage other reports, such as the HHAP plans, that require similar reporting to these elements as a way to integrate the elements to not duplicate efforts
- Clearly define and get common ground on definitions of transparency and accountability
- Clarify how these elements support all existing efforts from the city, county, service providers, etc.
- Additions: capture the city/county partnership needed, include the voices of people with lived experiences in terms of how we’re measuring plans and strategies
RAP implementation | 1-2-4 framework principles & county status

- **Series of 1-2-4 principles**
  - (In progress) Interim housing
    - Clarifying, defining and providing examples of interim housing models across the Bay
  - (Next) Permanent supportive housing
  - (Next) Prevention interventions

- **Recent county updates**
  - Kickoff implementation with Solano County
  - Regrouping with Contra Costa County
  - Building partnerships in San Mateo County
Our Collective Work

Homelessness in the Bay Area today

Regional Action Plan to reduce unsheltered homelessness by 75% in three years

Big Moves to address structural and system barriers, centering people with extremely low incomes
Big Moves

Address the structural issues that allow homelessness to persist

and

Focus on closing the gap between housing costs and income for people with extremely low incomes
Big Moves Criteria

**IMPACT**
- Does this Big Move impact a significant number of people with extremely low incomes?

**RACIAL EQUITY**
- Does this Big Move help to close racial disparities for people with extremely low incomes?

**FEASIBILITY**
- Is this Big Move? Can we make significant progress in the next 3-5 years?
Big Moves: Closing the Gap

**Housing Cost**

**Supply**
Reduce housing costs for people with extremely low incomes by focusing on affordable housing supply

**Direct Subsidy**
Reduce housing costs for people with extremely low incomes by focusing on direct subsidies

**Income**

**Safety Net**
Increase income for people with extremely low incomes by focusing on safety net supports

**Employment**
Increase income for people with extremely low incomes by focusing on employment and wages
Recall: First Batch Big Moves

**SUPPLY**
- RHNA enforcement and incentive tools
- Homekey

**DIRECT SUBSIDY**
- Housing vouchers

**SAFETY NET**
- Guaranteed income
- SSI reform

**EMPLOYMENT**
- Regional “intermediary” model
Where We Are Today

**HOUSING**
- ELI carve-outs in future funding measures
- Permanent source of funding for operations and services
- Permanent Homkey CEQA exemption
- California rental assistance credit
- Medi-Cal benefit for supportive services

**INCOME**
- Public benefit access through CalSAWS
- California EITC as a guaranteed income
- Benefit cliff reforms
- Homeless services / care workforce campaign
- Bay Area RISE: A reimagined regional workforce system

Hearts and minds campaign
Today’s meeting: Draft Big Moves to discuss

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Draft Big Move
Homekey CEQA Exemption

Description: Make CEQA exemption created in Project Homekey permanent, to streamline approvals and speed the delivery of housing for people with extremely low incomes.

Scale of Impact: Round 1 of Project Homekey housed 8,000 people in California in less than a year. The program combined a statutory CEQA exemption with other regulatory streamlining benefits, which resulted in 40% of funded acquisitions came online in under 6 months. A permanent statutory CEQA exemption would likely speed housing delivery and quickly house people at risk or experiencing homelessness across the state.

Estimated Timeframe: Pass a bill in the 2023 legislative session; impacts could be realized over the next 3-5 years as projects move forward.

Potential Regional Impact Council Role: Lead
Question: On a scale of 1-5, do you support this draft Big Move?

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**Description**: Create a rental subsidy for extremely low-income tenants statewide by significantly expanding the California Renter’s Tax Credit and changing it to a refundable credit, paid monthly.

**Scale of Impact**: More than 249,000 households in the Bay Area are extremely low-income renters, and over 80% are cost burdened, spending more than 30% of their income on rent. Providing a rental subsidy could alleviate rent burden for those households in addition to thousands more across the state.

**Estimated Timeframe**: Should SB 843 pass, the RIC could build support for further expanding the Renter’s Tax Credit through the end of 2022. It might take 2-4 years to implement the administrative changes and secure additional budget surplus funding.

**Potential Regional Impact Council Role**: Partner
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Next meeting: June 08, 2022