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Hi All,

I attended the LEP committee meeting today to present AB 2923. Scanned scribbly notes attached and also saved on G drive. Key highlights:

**\*\*10-Year Work Plan\*\***

- Definitely prioritize affordable housing, but make sure it is deeply low income as most LEP households do not earn 60% of area median income
- Do it everywhere
- Once you know the 10 year work plan list, that's the time to go to the communities where development is likely to take place in the short term, so people don't feel you're making promises you won't keep
- Consider senior housing
- Remember that low income households are much more transit dependent and will more greatly benefit from being near BART.

**\*\*Engagement - of Communities of Concern\*\***

- Host meetings through CBOs, rather than yourselves. Do a variety of settings and ensure there are more intimate opportunities to talk one on one
- There is a lot of fear in immigrant communities and it can be hard for people to feel comfortable attending and speaking up these days, so engaging through trusted partners is really critical.
- While big presentations might be okay, a more one-on-one, open house format where people can talk comfortably without exposure is better to address the aforementioned point
- A lot of communities are feeling extremely discouraged about housing and having trouble discussing anything else (health, job opportunities, education). Realize they have been discouraged before, don't get their hopes up if you don't plan to deliver, be realistic, and don't engage unless and until you actually plan to act.

One member offered to invite me to the Asian Pacific Islander convening in January, which includes about 50 CBOs working with API communities across the region. She suggested we provide a list at that point of the short term opportunities so the different CBOs can pick up on the actual opportunities that are coming up and engage on those.

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