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Berkeley Global Campus at Richmond Bay Working Group Meeting #6 April 23, 2015, 6:00 PM

Action Items and Summary Notes

Project updates

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- ❖ In response the question: "Will UC Berkeley enter into legally binding agreements?" The answer is YES. As indicated throughout the life of the Working Group and stated clearly in the <u>Joint Letter of Commitment to Strengthen Community Partnerships Between UCB, LBNL, and the Richmond Community</u>, signed by Chancellor Dirks and the director of the Lawrence Berkeley National Lab on April 22, 2014.
- ❖ The education ad hoc subcommittee provided a brief update; meets regularly, the 2nd Tuesday of the month.
- ❖ The procurement ad hoc subcommittee provided a brief update; meets regularly, 1st Monday of the Month at 3 PM, by phone unless an in-person meeting is needed.
- ❖ UCB and LBNL continue to work on a template to help guide the WG as they prepare to develop recommendations on the key issue areas.
- ❖ A proposal was made that the WG host a community meeting to get feedback on draft proposals.
- Community members expressed an interest in improving WG outreach. WG members agreed to improve communication with their constituency. The City already shares WG and BGCRB info, as do UCB and LBNL.

Initial Presentation and Discussion about Workforce Training

Action item:

Workforce Training ad hoc subcommittee will schedule next meeting/s.

Comments to and requests of the work force training ad hoc subcommittee include:

- ❖ What are the impacts and what populations are being served or not served?
- What are the funding needs?
- Need to look regionally at opportunities, models and needs; and consider that many pathways are needed.

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- One strategy is to better align WFT opportunities (education, technical skills, social support, soft skills) with what employers need. This means getting employers at the table.
- Regarding direct-entry agreements: Carpenters Local 152's direct entry has 2 pathways: 1. Completing the curriculum for the relevant apprenticeship results in direct entry into that apprenticeship; and 2. Helmets to Hardhats for veterans provides direct entry without a curriculum.
- Richmond Build has direct-entry agreements with labor and the carpenters. Richmond Build does not have the same level of agreements with the mechanical trades (like plumbers): this is an opportunity area that the WG can explore for their recommendations: Will unions commit to direct entry?
- Is there information available about potential displacement of local businesses?
- While there is no communication budget, WG members and partners in this process can help with outreach and communication.
- The City already lists many education and job-training opportunities; and Equip Richmond is an application, currently being tested that will provide career assessment, information about training programs, and will push out jobs that are registered with the City, Monster Jobs and more.

Resources mentioned:

- ❖ Adelante program should be included.
- **Section** East Bay Economic Alliance's annual report.
- Equip Richmond is an application, currently being tested. Will provide career assessment, information about training programs, and will push out jobs that are registered with the City, Monster Jobs and more.
- 211bayarea.org is a regional database that provides information for many nonprofit services.

Old Business and New Business: Retreat and Youth Members

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- The WG agreed to a retreat to explore and define the processes for developing the recommendations. Ideally the retreat will be led by a facilitator who is external to the WG (pro bono?)
- Jim and Diane agreed to lead the planning, working with Ruben.