

Ensuring Opportunity Campaign to End Poverty in Contra Costa County

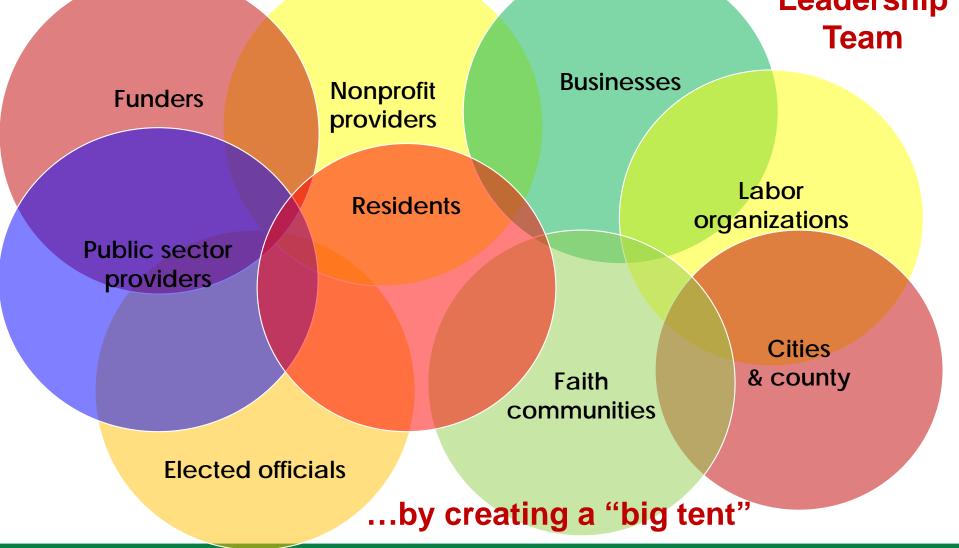
What is Ensuring Opportunity?



- A countywide initiative to end poverty in Contra Costa by addressing root causes
- Goal: Achieve equity and opportunity for <u>all</u> residents
- Change systems & policies, so that every community member has an opportunity to thrive







We believe that everything is connected ...





IMMIGRANT PROTECTIONS

... and EQUITY is at the heart of our work



- Contra Costa snapshot
- 1.1 million residents, 804 square miles, 19 cities
- Three distinct regions (West, Central, East)
- Majority people of color (46% White, 25% Latino/Hispanic, 15% Asian, 9% Black)
- Mix of rural, suburban & urban sensibilities



Contra Costa Housing crisis index



- 1 in 6: Residents are struggling to make ends meet
- o 30,939: Additional affordable units needed
- \$7,667: Monthly income to afford median rent
- 75%: ELI* renters spend > 50% of income on rent
- 2,234: People experiencing homelessness (PIT count)
- o 66%: Decrease in housing funding, 2008-2016

* ELI = Extremely Low Income: earning 30% or less of Area Median Income



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