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# QUARTERLY UPDATE – INVESTMENTS TO ACCELERATE DIGITAL EQUITY

On November 16, 2021, the Board of Supervisors (Board) approved a motion to invest in immediate- and longer-term efforts to facilitate affordable and reliable high-speed internet services to underserved communities impacted by the digital divide (Board Agenda Item 19). The motion designated the Internal Services Department (ISD) as the lead department responsible for coordinating the County's efforts on all community broadband infrastructure and residential service initiatives to close the digital divide. The motion also included several directives and instructed the ISD Director to report back to the Board with quarterly progress updates.

Attached for your review is the tenth quarterly update. As ISD moves into implementation for the Community Broadband Networks, this will be the final regular quarterly report. ISD will continue to provide quarterly reports related to the Intergovernmental Broadband Coordinating Committee.

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#### COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES INTERNAL SERVICES DEPARTMENT INVESTMENTS TO ACCELERATE DIGITAL EQUITY

### QUARTERLY PROGRESS REPORT February 2024

On November 16, 2021, the Board of Supervisors (Board) approved a motion to invest in immediate and longer-term efforts to provide affordable and reliable high-speed internet services to underserved communities impacted by the digital divide.<sup>1</sup> As directed in the motion, the Internal Services Department (ISD) is providing quarterly progress reports.

# **Report History**

ISD has submitted seven previous progress reports, which can be accessed via the following hyperlinks:

1<sup>st</sup> Quarterly Progress Report (February 7, 2022) 2<sup>nd</sup> Quarterly Progress Report (May 13, 2022)

3<sup>rd</sup> Quarterly Progress Report (August 11, 2022)

4<sup>th</sup> Quarterly Progress Report (November 10, 2022)

5<sup>th</sup> Quarterly Progress Report (February 10, 2023)

6th Quarterly Progress Report (May 11, 2023)

7th Quarterly Progress Report (August 9, 2023)

8th Quarterly Progress Report (November 8, 2023)

9<sup>th</sup> Quarterly Progress Report (February 8. 2024)

# **Current Updates**

Directive #1: Establish the County's lead department.		
Directive	Status	
a. Designate the Internal Services Department (ISD) as the lead department responsible for ensuring the County's efforts on all community broadband infrastructure and residential service initiatives to close the Digital Divide are coordinated and aligned under the County's Digital Divide Action Team, which is	Completed	

<sup>1</sup> Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors, <u>Statement of Proceedings for the Regular Meeting</u>, <u>November 16, 2021</u>

comprised of representatives from all County Departments and the Chief Executive Officer's Chief Information Office (CIO).

Di	Directive #2: Conduct a Countywide campaign on financial subsidy programs.		
	Directive	Status	
a.	Instruct the Chief Executive Office (CEO), in consultation with ISD, to identify funding for a countywide promotional campaign to inform and educate constituents about financial subsidy programs that will assist with the costs of computers and internet service.	Completed	
b.	Instruct ISD through the Delete The Divide initiative to coordinate the countywide promotional campaign and subsidy programs, specifically the Federal Emergency Broadband Benefit. Additionally, the campaign should encourage the participation of all County Departments and, as appropriate, collaborations with internet service providers, telecommunication companies, school districts, regional consortia, community-based organizations, non-profits, and ethnic and hyper-local media. Outreach must be conducted in the County's multiple threshold languages.	Completed Phase1: EBB promotion Ongoing Phase 2: ACP Promotion	

# 2(b) Phase 2 Promotional Campaign: Affordable Connectivity Program

On January 11, 2024, the Federal Communications Commission (FCC) issued notice that funding for the Affordable Connectivity Program (ACP) was projected to run out in April 2024, unless Congress appropriates additional funding.<sup>2</sup> As Congress has not provided additional funding at the time of this report, ACP households may receive a partial ACP discount from their internet company in May 2024. Consequently, the FCC began taking steps to wind-down the ACP program, including:<sup>3</sup>

- No new ACP enrollments will be accepted after February 7, 2024.
- Households enrolled in ACP prior to February 7, 2024, will continue to receive program benefits until the funding ends.
- After funds expire, households will no longer receive ACP subsidies.
- Internet service providers are required to send three written notices to their ACP households beginning in January 2024.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> FCC Chairwoman Jessica Rosenworcel, Letter to Congress, January 8, 2024

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> <u>ACP Wind-Down Frequently Asked Questions</u>

• If Congress approves more funding for the ACP, the FCC will provide further guidance and instructions on how the ACP will proceed.

The FCC requires that internet service providers notify subscribers that the program is ending, impact on their bill, date when the last bill will include the ACP benefit, and the opportunity to change their service or opt-out of continuing service. Additionally, the Universal Service Administrative Company as the FCC's program administrator will provide notification to enrolled households.

On January 10, 2024, bicameral and bipartisan legislation, the Affordable Connectivity Program Extension Act of 2024, was introduced in the form of H.R. 6929<sup>4</sup> and S. 3565<sup>5</sup> to appropriate \$7 billion in additional funding. As of this report, these bills remain in each chamber's respective Appropriations Committees.

According to federal reports, 983,778 households in Los Angeles County were enrolled in the ACP program as of the last reporting on February 8, 2024.<sup>6</sup> This reflects a 629,121 increase since the inception of ACP in December 2021 (354,657 previous enrollments were transitioned from the EBB to ACP). Los Angeles County continues to have the highest enrollment count among all counties in the nation and more enrollments than 45 states.

Directive #3: Expand and/or enter into new agreements with the County's existing broadband and/or carrier agreements for public access and use.	
Directive	Status
a. Instruct and authorize ISD to negotiate agreements with assistance from County Counsel and input from the CEO, with internet service providers and telecommunication companies and if the proposed agreement can be shown by ISD to be in the County's best interest, return to the Board for approval to execute new agreements or amend existing agreements.	Ongoing

# **3(a) Negotiate Agreements with Internet Service Providers**

ISD continues to receive interest from regional internet service providers and telecommunication companies willing to work with the County of Los Angeles to enhance broadband infrastructure. However, for business reasons, they have decided not to participate in the competitive solicitation process per Directive 4(b). These companies

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> Library of Congress, <u>H.R.6929 - 118th Congress (2023-2024)</u>: Affordable Connectivity Program <u>Extension Act of 2024</u>

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup> Library of Congress, <u>S.3565 - 118th Congress (2023-2024)</u>: Affordable Connectivity Program Extension Act of 2024

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>6</sup> Universal Service Administrative Co., <u>ACP Enrollment and Claims Tracker</u>

have presented fiber and wireless solutions to deliver low-cost, high-speed internet services to underserved communities ranging from no capital investments from the County to network lease options. As of the date of this report, ISD has not received formal proposals from any company or negotiated agreements.

Directive #4: Provide options for internet solutions, including cost estimates and timeline, that meet the digital needs of our most vulnerable residents: affordability, sustainability, and connectivity to high-speed, quality service.

Directive	Status
a. Authorize ISD to amend its agreement, as needed, with the contractor that assisted in the development of its report to the Board in response to Item 45G of the August 31, 2021, Agenda to perform additional analysis for the options identified in the aforementioned report and provide program development services for future solicitations.	Completed
b. Instruct ISD to administer a competitive solicitation to acquire a Managed Service Provider to coordinate and manage the implementation of the Community Broadband Network. The scope of work should include, but not be limited to, project management, infrastructure design, system integrations, performance requirements, equipment testing and maintenance, administration of resources, and customer support services.	Completed

# 4(b) Solicitation for Managed Service Provider(s)

Since March 21, 2022, ISD has administered a Request for Statement of Qualifications (RFSQ) to establish a shortlist of companies deemed qualified to deliver Community Broadband Network (CBN) projects. The solicitation requires that respondents be able to provide high-speed, high quality broadband internet service to each subscriber residence using wireless technology, fiber or a combination of both. Only pre-qualified companies that sign a Master Agreement with the County are eligible to submit proposals for CBN work order solicitations.

Currently, there are 11 pre-qualified companies with signed Master Agreements: AT&T, Deloitte Consulting LLP, ICCN, Insight, Motorola, NetSync, Kajeet, Smartwave, T-Mobile, Charter Communications, and WeLink.

The RFSQ process is open-ended such that vendors can submit statements of qualifications at any time through September 13, 2027. Any vendor that submits a response to the RFSQ will be subject to the same requirements and evaluation process to determine whether or not it will be recommended for pre-qualification. This process is not an indication or assurance that any pre-qualified company will be selected as a Managed Service Provider.

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Directive	Status
c. Instruct ISD to administer a competitive solicitation and negotiate agreements for public-private partnerships to construct and configure the Community Broadband Network.	In Progress

# 4(c) Solicitation for Public-Private Partnerships

The County intends to enter public-private partnerships for Managed Service Providers to deliver CBN projects within each of the five Supervisorial Districts. These projects will provide free and low-cost reliable high-speed internet in underserved communities where 20 percent or more of the households lack home internet service. The following is an update since the last report:

#### East Los Angeles/Boyle Heights

On April 25, 2024, ISD executed Community Broadband Network Services Work Order CBN-1 with WeLink Communications, Inc. (WeLink) to deploy and operate the CBN project in East Los Angeles/Boyle Heights. WeLink was the highest ranked pre-qualified proposer for this project area from the Work Order Solicitation released on January 24, 2023.

This CBN project area covers 25.52 square miles. Approximately 90,650 households are within this project area. An estimated 20,617 of these households have no home internet service. The annual median household income is \$46,659. The service area will include all or portions of East Los Angeles, Boyle Heights, Lincoln Heights, Montecito Heights, and El Sereno.

#### South Los Angeles

On April 25, 2024, ISD executed Community Broadband Network Services Work Order CBN-2 with WeLink to deploy and operate the CBN project in South Los Angeles. WeLink was the highest ranked pre-qualified proposer for this project area from the Work Order Solicitation released on January 24, 2023.

This CBN project area covers 43.67 square miles. Approximately 190,878 households are within this project area. An estimated 43,917 of these households have no home internet service. The annual median household income is \$41,131. The service area will include all or portions of Adams-Normandie, University Park, Historic South-Central, Exposition Park, Vermont Square, South Park, Central-Alameda, Chesterfield Square, Harvard Park, Vermont-Slauson, Florence, Florence-Firestone, Manchester Square,

Vermont Knolls, Gramercy Park, Westmont, Vermont Vista, Broadway-Manchester, Green Meadows, Watts, Athens, Willowbrook, and West Rancho Dominguez in Supervisorial District 2; and Walnut Park in Supervisorial District 4.

For both projects, WeLink is contracted to construct and then operate retail broadband internet service that meets the solicited requirements, including the offering of a low-cost plan to qualifying households, delivery of minimum broadband speeds to individual households, operation of the service with high reliability, and requirement to provide multilingual support and outreach.

WeLink will be offering a low-cost plan for \$25 per month for 500 Mbps download and 500 Mbps upload (500/500) internet service for qualifying households. This plan will multiple household members to use high-bandwidth applications at the same time without compromises. At the subscribers' option, they may upgrade to a low cost plan that doubles the base speed for \$35 per month (1000/1000) or quadruples the speed for \$45 per month (2000/2000). These prices are before any applicable affordability subsidies, such as the Affordable Connectivity Program (ACP) or a successor program if additional funding for ACP is not allocated.

WeLink will also offer residential market rate plans that do not require qualification and that begin at \$65 for 500/500. The company will offer a small business plan for qualifying local small businesses at \$100 per month for 2000/2000 service. Under the contract, WeLink's plan pricing cannot increase during the initial terms of the Work Orders, which are through September 13, 2027.

Information about these projects is available for public access on the Delete The Divide website: <u>www.deletethedivide.org</u>. The website includes a dynamic mapping feature allowing users to input a street address to determine if the location is within the project coverage area.

Construction for both projects is expected to begin in Summer 2024, with internet service rolling out beginning in Fall 2024. The infrastructure build-out is expected to be completed by the end of 2025. Major funding is provided by the American Rescue Plan Act. Also, funding for this project has been provided in part through a grant for Local Agency Technical Assistance from a program administered by the California Public Utilities Commission (CPUC).

ISD continues to explore options and to monitor developments in the other CBN areas under consideration, including the San Fernando Valley, Southeast Los Angeles, and the Antelope Valley. The Department is also awaiting the CPUC's decisions on pending regional grant applications for the SB156-created Federal Funding Account Last Mile broadband grant program. These decisions are expected by June 2024.

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Directive	Status
d. Instruct CEO, in consultation with ISD and [Department of Public Works], to identify funding from Federal, State and/or County sources to support a five (5) year proof of concept model for a Community Broadband Network. Under the coordination of ISD, this pilot will utilize public-private partnerships and a Managed Service Provider for the deployment of a fully functional network of Citizen Broadband Radio Service and/or millimeter wave technologies to deliver reliable high-speed internet service to 12,500 households in digital divide target areas.	In Progress

# 4(d) Funding Sources

On March 29, 2024, the National Telecommunications and Information Administration (NTIA) released the Notice of Funding Opportunity (NOFO) and Application Guidance for the State Digital Equity Capacity Grant Program.<sup>7</sup> The State Digital Equity Capacity Grant Program is a \$1.44 billion formula grant program for States, U.S. territories, and tribal governments. It will fund an annual grant program for five years in support of digital equity projects and the implementation of statewide digital equity plans (SDEP). The California Department of Technology (CDT) received a tentative allocation of \$70.2 million to implement the California SDEP from the NTIA. Political subdivisions, agencies, or instrumentalities of the State, foundations, corporations, institutions, associations, and community anchor institutions that are non-for-profit and not are schools may be eligible entities for subgrant opportunities. CDT plans to distribute those funds through grant opportunities in Spring 2025 to implement key strategies from the California SDEP. Through the Countywide Intergovernmental Broadband Coordinating Committee (IBCC), the Director of Digital Equity is collaborating and partnering with IBCC members to apply and secure Federal and State digital equity grant program funding opportunities including this one.

Directive #4: Provide options for internet solutions, including cost estimates and timeline, that meet the digital needs of our most vulnerable residents: affordability, sustainability, and connectivity to high-speed, quality service.

Directive	Status
e. Delegate authority to the CEO to hire a consultant to conduct a	Completed <sup>8</sup>

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>7</sup> State Digital Equity Capacity Grant Program

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>8</sup> County of Los Angeles, Chief Executive Office, <u>Broadband Feasibility Study</u>

financial and technical feasibility study for a Countyadministered municipal broadband service. The study should assess capital costs and consumer pricing models that will enable reliable high-speed internet access for households in digital divide target areas. The study should also consider existing County assets and licensing agreements as well as the utilization of public and private fiber optic and wireless network infrastructures that can be included in the County-administered strategy.

# Additional Updates

#### Laptop Giveaways

The <u>Delete The Divide Initiative</u> is administered by ISD and has distributed more than 3,100 free laptops to constituents in need throughout Los Angeles County. Recipients have included low-income families, students, transitional age youth, seniors, veterans, people experiencing homelessness, and persons with disabilities. A constituent must complete a needs assessment form and only one free laptop is provided per household. In special cases, laptops have been given to established community-based organizations in underserved communities that host computer centers for local residents to obtain training, apply for jobs online, and access public support services. 1,500 laptops have been purchased this fiscal year with funding from the American Rescue Plan Act, and an additional 6,000 laptops will be purchased and distributed next fiscal year with ARPA funding.

#### Digital Literacy

The Delete The Divide Initiative recently launched Learn Basic Tech (LBT), a digital literacy education program, made possible by a grant from the Federal Communications Commission. LBT is an initiative to increase knowledge and exposure to technology and provide the skills necessary to navigate a world where everything from education to healthcare is done through digital portals. Participants will learn how to leverage technology to make their daily lives easier, how to navigate technology safely, and simple use of augmented reality/artificial intelligence.

LBT consists of in-person, classroom and online learning. With a goal of educating at least 7,500 Los Angeles County residents, LBT is partnering with community colleges, private partners, and Community Based Organizations to reach the communities that are most in need of these skills.

# Intergovernmental Broadband Coordinating Committee (IBCC) First Quarterly Report

#### <u>Overview</u>

On September 13, 2022, the County Board directed the Director of Digital Equity to establish the IBCC and guided the scope and goals of the IBCC including, but not limited to, proposing member jurisdictions and stakeholder engagement. The IBCC was first convened in March 2024 and is a regional collective body of more than 60 multidisciplinary stakeholder organizations and community members collaborating to pursue, secure, and implement Federal and State grant program funding to address the digital divide in all of Los Angeles County through County-led intergovernmental and cross-sector regional coordination. The IBCC uplifts a unified regional voice and a shared responsibility for action to advance digital equity and inclusion by providing ongoing resources and support for its members including but not limited to aligning efforts to coordinate and merge Federal and State grant funding opportunities, information and knowledge sharing, networking, technical assistance, and training opportunities. The Director of Digital Equity is serving as the backbone convener of the IBCC. See the current IBCC membership roster below. The Director of Digital Equity is in the process of collaborating with IBCC members to recruit community members to serve as community ambassadors on the IBCC. The work of the IBCC is guided by the IBCC Charter, which was created by the Director of Digital Equity based on input from subject-matter experts and stakeholder interviews.

Stakeholder Organization Name	Type of Organization	
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1. Advancio	Technology company	
2. Alliance for a Better Community	Community-based organization	
3. California Emerging Technology Fund	Digital equity non-profit organization	
<ol> <li>California State University, Dominguez Hills</li> </ol>	Higher education institution	
5. California State University, Northridge	Higher education institution	
6. City of Arcadia	Local government entity	
7. City of Artesia	Local government entity	
8. City of Bell	Local government entity	
9. City of Bell Gardens	Local government entity	
10. City of Burbank	Local government entity	
11. City of Carson	Local government entity	
12. City of Claremont	Local government entity	
13. City of Culver City	Local government entity	

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14. City of Downey	Local government entity	
15. City of Duarte	Local government entity	
16. City of El Monte	Local government entity	
17. City of Inglewood	Local government entity	
18. City of Lancaster	Local government entity	
19. City of Long Beach	Local government entity	
20. City of Los Angeles	Local government entity	
21. City of Lynwood	Local government entity	
22. City of Maywood	Local government entity	
23. City of Monterey Park	Local government entity	
24. City of Palmdale	Local government entity	
25. City of Paramount	Local government entity	
26. City of Pasadena	Local government entity	
27. City of Pico Rivera	Local government entity	
28. City of Pomona	Local government entity	
29. City of Rosemead	Local government entity	
30. City of San Fernando	Local government entity	
31. City of San Gabriel	Local government entity	
32. City of Santa Monica	Local government entity	
33. City of Signal Hill	Local government entity	
34. City of South El Monte	Local government entity	
35. City of Walnut	Local government entity	
36. City of West Hollywood	Local government entity	
37. Community Clinic Association of LA	Healthcare non-profit organization	
County		
38. Destination Crenshaw	Community-based organization	
39. Digital Equity LA	Digital equity coalition	
40. Easterseals Southern California	Non-profit organization	
41. Employ California	Economic and workforce development organization	
42. EveryoneOn	Digital equity non-profit organization	
43. Fiber Up My Neighborhood	Advocacy organization	
44. Gateway Cities Council of Governments	Council of government	
45. Human-I-T	Digital equity non-profit organization	
46. Los Angeles County   Regional Planning	County department	
47. Los Angeles County Development	County-related agency	

Authority	
48. Los Angeles County Library	County department
49. Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority	County-related agency
50. Los Angeles County Office of Education	County-related agency
51.Los Angeles Digital Equity Action League	Regional broadband consortium
52. Lynwood Unified School District	K-12 education institution
53.PATH	Non-profit organization
54.San Gabriel Valley Council of Governments	Council of government
55. South Bay Cities Council of Governments	Council of government
56. South Bay Workforce Investment Board	Economic and workforce development organization
57. Southeast Community Development Corporation	Community-based organization
58. Southern California Association of Governments	Council of government
59. Southern California Library Cooperative	Joint powers authority
60. United Ways California	Non-profit organization
61. Valley Economic Alliance	Economic and workforce development organization

# County Operations Cluster Meeting and Presentation

On March 27, 2024, the Director of Digital Equity presented at the County Operations Cluster Meeting (Meeting) and provided an update on the IBCC and its Charter. Following the presentation, the Director of Digital Equity received unanimous praise, support, and approval from the County Board of Supervisors Deputies. Several stakeholder organizations attended the Meeting in person and virtually to show support for the adoption and approval of the IBCC and its Charter. These stakeholder organizations included the following entities below.

- City of Palmdale
- EveryoneOn
- Human-I-T
- San Gabriel Valley Council of Governments

Key next steps include presenting the IBCC Charter to the IBCC voting members for adoption.

#### IBCC Kickoff and Orientation Meeting

The Director of Digital Equity organized, planned, and implemented a virtual IBCC Kickoff and Orientation Meeting (Meeting) on April 9, 2024. The purpose of this Meeting was to share more information regarding the IBCC, its Charter, and what all new and incoming members can expect during the 2024 calendar year and subsequent years about key activities within the general membership, steering committee, and working group convenings and meetings. More than 80 individuals attended the Meeting.

#### IBCC General Membership Meeting and Training

The Director of Digital Equity organized, planned, and implemented the virtual IBCC General Membership Meeting and Training (Meeting) on April 23, 2024. Two trainings were provided during this Meeting. The Digital Inclusion 101 Training learning objective was to increase the knowledge and understanding of key digital equity and inclusion basics, concepts, foundations, and principles for members. Additionally, the Countywide Collaborative Grant Applications and Proposals Strategy Training learning objective was to increase the knowledge and understanding of the County's approach, best practices, resources, and tools for pursuing, securing, and implementing Federal and State digital equity grant funding opportunities for members. More than 90 individuals attended the Meeting. Subsequent Meetings occur every other month and focus on broadband internet and digital equity-related training topics. Members can propose additional training topics and presenters to the Director of Digital Equity via email.

#### **IBCC Working Group Meetings**

The Director of Digital Equity is in the process of organizing, planning, and implementing the IBCC Working Group Meetings that will kick off in May 2024. Members of the IBCC Working Groups represent a small action group with similar interests where they work collaboratively on specific Federal and State grant program projects, strategies, and tasks within a given timeframe. There are six (6) standing IBCC Working Groups and one (1) Adhoc IBCC Working Group that convene monthly and receive technical assistance for pursuing, securing, and implementing Federal and State broadband and digital equity grant program funding opportunities. See the various IBCC Working Groups below. In May 2024, the IBCC Working Groups will co-create the grant program foundations.

- Regional Community Partners Working Group
- East Los Angeles and San Gabriel Valley Subregion Working Group
- South Bay Subregion Working Group
- Southeast Los Angeles Subregion Working Group
- South Los Angeles Subregion Working Group
- North and West Los Angeles Subregion Working Group
- Regional Broadband Infrastructure Working Group (Adhoc)

# IBCC Broadband Equity, Access, and Deployment (BEAD) Program Regional Challenge Process Workshops

The Director of Digital Equity is co-hosting two Workshops in collaboration with the California Community Foundation (CCF) Digital Equity LA Initiative (DELA) and the Los Angeles Digital Equity Action League (LA DEAL) on Tuesday, May 14 and Tuesday, May 21 for the Broadband Equity, Access, and Deployment (BEAD) Program Challenge Process. For context, the BEAD Program provides \$42.45 billion nationwide to expand high-speed internet access by funding planning, infrastructure deployment, and adoption programs across the country. The California Public Utilities Commission (CPUC) was allocated approximately \$1.86 billion in grant program funding from the Federal government. The purpose of these Workshops is to encourage and prepare local government entities and non-profit organizations to review the FCC National Broadband Map and submit proof through a challenge process to update the service status (e.g., from unserved to underserved, from served to unserved, etc.) of any individual location or group of locations once the statewide Challenge Process has begun. Members of the IBCC will be encouraged to attend and participate in one of the Workshops and submit challenges to the CPUC. The goal is to ensure that more locations throughout Los Angeles County become eligible to apply, receive, and deploy BEAD Program funding.

#### IBCC Steering Committee Meetings

The Director of Digital Equity is in the process of organizing, planning, and implementing the IBCC Steering Committee Meetings that will launch in June 2024 upon selecting and hiring a third-party facilitator through the County's competitive Request for Proposals (RFP) process. Members of the IBCC Steering Committee represent a small diverse group of stakeholder organizations who serve as the advisory leadership team for the IBCC by providing strategic guidance, leadership, and oversight to help align and champion committee efforts with community-centered efforts. The IBCC Steering Committee convenes monthly where members engage in a strategic planning process that defines the IBCC's direction and strategy. This includes co-creating strategic planning tiers and co-sharing their respective IBCC Working Group's key activities, tasks, and updates.

# IBCC Performance Outputs and Indicators for Success Reporting

Meeting Type	Meeting Frequency	Meeting Format	Meeting Length of Time
Kickoff and Orientation Meeting	Once	Virtual	2 hours (120 minutes)
General Membership Meeting	Every other month	Virtual	2 hours (120 minutes)

#### Meeting Performance

Membership Performance | IBCC Kickoff and Orientation Meeting (April 9, 2024)

Please note that some stakeholder organizations listed below are not official members of the IBCC.

Stakeholder Organization Name	Type of Organization	Number of Individuals from that Organizati on
Advancio	Technology company	1
Alliance for a Better Community	Community-based organization	1
California Emerging Technology Fund	Digital equity non-profit organization	1
California State University, Dominguez Hills	Higher education institution	6
City of Arcadia	Local government entity	1
City of Artesia	Local government entity	1
City of Bell	Local government entity	2
City of Bell Gardens	Local government entity	3
City of Burbank	Local government entity	1
City of Carson	Local government entity	2
City of Cerritos	Local government entity	1
City of Downey	Local government entity	1
City of Duarte	Local government entity	1
City of El Monte	Local government entity	1
City of Long Beach	Local government entity	1
City of Los Angeles	Local government entity	3
City of Maywood	Local government entity	2
City of Palmdale	Local government entity	3
City of Pasadena	Local government entity	1
City of Rosemead	Local government entity	2
City of San Fernando	Local government entity	1
City of San Gabriel	Local government entity	1
City of Signal Hill	Local government entity	1
County of Los Angeles   Internal Services	County department	8
County of Los Angeles   Justice, Care and Opportunities	County department	1
County of Los Angeles   Regional Planning	County department	2

Digital Equity LA	Digital equity coalition	1
East LA Community Corporation	Economic and workforce development organization	2
Easterseals Southern California	Non-profit organization	2
Employ California	Economic and workforce development organization	1
EveryoneOn	Digital equity non-profit organization	1
Harbor-UCLA Medical Center	Healthcare organization	1
Human-I-T	Digital equity non-profit organization	3
Los Angeles County Development Authority	County-related agency	2
Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority	County-related agency	1
Los Angeles County Office of Education	County-related agency	1
Los Angeles Digital Equity Action League	Regional broadband consortium	4
Lynwood Unified School District	K-12 education institution	2
PATH	Non-profit organization	1
San Gabriel Valley Council of Governments	Council of government	3
South Bay Cities Council of Governments	Council of government	2
South Bay Workforce Investment Board	Economic and workforce development organization	2
Southeast Community Development Corporation	Community-based organization	1
Southern California Association of Governments	Council of government	3
Southern California Library Cooperative	Joint powers authority	1
The Utility Reform Network	Non-profit organization	1
United Ways of California	Non-profit organization	1
Total		85 individuals

Membership Performance | IBCC General Membership Meeting and Training (April 23, 2024)

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California Black Women's Collective	Non-profit organization	1
California Emerging Technology Fund	Digital equity non-profit organization	2
California State University, Dominguez Hills	Higher education institution	6
Carlson Consulting	For profit entity	1
City of Alhambra	Local government entity	1
City of Arcadia	Local government entity	1
City of Artesia	Local government entity	1
City of Bell	Local government entity	2
City of Bell Gardens	Local government entity	2
City of Burbank	Local government entity	2
City of Carson	Local government entity	2
City of Claremont	Local government entity	2
City of Culver City	Local government entity	1
City of Downey	Local government entity	1
City of Duarte	Local government entity	2
City of El Monte	Local government entity	1
City of Inglewood	Local government entity	1
City of La Puente	Local government entity	1
City of Lancaster	Local government entity	1
City of Long Beach	Local government entity	1
City of Los Angeles	Local government entity	2
City of Lynwood	Local government entity	1
City of Maywood	Local government entity	1
City of Monterey Park	Local government entity	1
City of Palmdale	Local government entity	2
City of Pico Rivera	Local government entity	1
City of Pomona	Local government entity	1
City of Rosemead	Local government entity	1
City of San Gabriel	Local government entity	1

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City of Santa Monica	Local government entity	1
City of Signal Hill	Local government entity	1
City of South El Monte	Local government entity	1
City of Walnut	Local government entity	1
City of West Hollywood	Local government entity	1
County of Los Angeles   Aging and Disabilities	County department	1
County of Los Angeles   Internal Services	County department	7
County of Los Angeles   Public Health	County department	1
County of Los Angeles   Regional Planning	County department	1
Destination Crenshaw	Community-based organization	1
Digital Equity LA	Digital equity coalition	2
Easterseals Southern California	Non-profit organization	1
Fiber Up My Neighborhood	Advocacy organization	1
Front Porch Center for Innovation and Wellbeing	Non-profit organization	1
Global Urban Strategies, Inc	For profit entity	2
Human-I-T	Digital equity non-profit organization	1
Los Angeles County Development Authority	County-related agency	2
Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority	County-related agency	1
Los Angeles County Office of Education	County-related agency	2
Los Angeles Digital Equity Action League	Regional broadband consortium	2
Los Angeles Public Library	Public library	2
Lynwood Unified School District	K-12 education institution	1
Mexican American Opportunity Foundation	Community-based organization	1
National Digital Inclusion Alliance	Digital equity non-profit organization	2
PATH	Non-profit organization	1
San Gabriel Valley Council of Governments	Council of government	1
South Bay Cities Council of Governments	Council of government	3
South Bay Workforce Investment Board	Economic and workforce development organization	1
Southeast Community Development Corporation	Community-based organization	1

Southern California Association of Governments	Council of government	1
United Ways of California	Non-profit organization	1
Two individuals whose stakeholder organization names were unidentifiable		2
Total		93 individuals