## **Designing Innovative Bus Shelters for Extreme Heat and Community Resilience**

The California Governor's Office of Land Use and Climate Innovations (LCI) Extreme Heat and Community Resilience Program (EHCRP) awarded \$9.3 million to 32 communities across the State to help build capacity for extreme heat action planning and project implementation. LCI awarded Kounkuey Design Initiative (KDI), in partnership with Florence-Firestone Community Organization, a grant in the amount of \$249,871 for the Florence-Firestone Bus Shelter Project (Project). Grant funds will be used to lead a participatory process to design new bus shelters for unsheltered bus stops in Florence-Firestone where standard shelters are infeasible. With average temperatures on the rise and bus riders spending half their journey time waiting for the bus, adequate shade at bus stops is becoming increasingly essential for a quality, comfortable, and dignified bus riding experience. Site conditions that prohibit the installation of a standard bus shelter require creative designs to expand opportunities to provide shade at bus stops.

To successfully design non-standard bus shelters for stops in Florence-Firestone, KDI will need to coordinate closely with the Department of Public Works (DPW) to ensure designs adhere to the department's standards and codes. The grant requires key contributors, including DPW, to enter into a no-cost cooperation agreement to participate and support KDI in the planning and implementation of the Project. DPW will be a key partner to inform bus shelter designs that are creative and feasible and that build on the department's past experiences.

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## I THEREFORE MOVE THAT THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS:

1) Authorize the Director of the Department of Public Works, or his designee, to sign the no-cost Cooperation Agreement with Kounkuey Design Initiative, Inc., Florence-Firestone Community Organization, Florence-Firestone Juntos Together, and Los Angeles County Supervisorial District 2 for the Extreme Heat and Community Resilience Program Round 1 Awarded Project named Florence-Firestone Bus Shelter Project.

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