

## M E M O R A N D U M



Agenda Item 5

TO: Policy Advisory Council

DATE: November 7, 2018

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RE: Horizon: Youth Engagement and Community-based Organization Outreach

### Overview

At the November 14, 2018 Policy Advisory Council (Council) meeting, staff will provide an overview of youth and community-based organization outreach for the Horizon initiative. This outreach will be a key component of the public engagement activities for both Horizon and Plan Bay Area 2050.

### Youth Engagement

Staff began work with the youth engagement activities for the Horizon initiative upon the execution of a contract with Y-PLAN in October 2018. The Y-PLAN program will engage youth and schools across the nine county Bay Area to bring youth's vision, priorities and questions to MTC's Horizon initiative and Plan Bay Area 2050 for the 2018-19, 2019-20 and 2020-21 school years. The funding for the 2018-19 school year will include work with one school in each of the nine Bay Area counties. The bulk of the engagement will include spring 2019 activities completed by each of the nine schools. This work will consist of:

- In-class, semester-long projects focused on the future of schools, analyzing schools through the lens of Horizon's four core topic areas: transportation (transportation access), housing (teacher housing), economic development (location of schools) and resilience topics (earthquakes and wild fires) in relation to one of the three Horizon scenarios (Clean and Green, Rising Tides, Falling Futures, and Back to the Future). Y-PLAN will work with school sites to select specific topic areas and then with teachers on related curricula.
- A Regional Summit at UC Berkeley in April 2019, bringing together Y-PLAN student scholars and teams representing all nine Bay Area counties to present their visions and recommendations, as well as exchange ideas and insights. In addition, each school will produce a report with findings and analysis.

### Outreach to Community-based Organizations

In order to meet the Horizon and Plan Bay Area 2050 objective to offer ample opportunity for underserved residents to provide critical input on MTC / ABAG long-range planning efforts, MTC recently selected eight community-based organizations to assist with Horizon and Plan Bay Area 2050 public engagement activities after requesting proposals through a competitive process. The selected organizations are providers of services for persons with disabilities, youth-focused organizations, environmental groups, and a Chinese public radio station, and represent Alameda, Santa Clara, San Francisco, San Mateo and Solano counties (there were no proposals from the other four Bay Area counties). Staff will work with these organizations, listed below, to engage community residents over the next three fiscal years on key issues relating to Bay Area housing, transportation, economic development and resilience.

<b>Organization</b>	<b>Location</b>
Sacred Heart Community Service	San Jose
Green Hive	Vallejo
West Oakland Environmental Indicators Project	Oakland
Rose Foundation for Communities and the Environment	Oakland
Acterra	Working in East Palo Alto
Community Resources for Independent Living	Hayward
Sound of Hope Radio Network	San Francisco
Lighthouse for the Blind and Visually Impaired	San Francisco

**Next Steps**

Staff continues to work on developing youth and community-based organization outreach activities, which will kick-off within the next few months, along with more broad-based public engagement activities. Staff looks forward to receiving input from the Council at its November 14, 2018 meeting, and we will keep you informed as the process moves forward.

**Attachment:**

- Presentation

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# Youth and Community Engagement

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# Youth Engagement with Y-PLAN

- Three-year partnership with UC Berkeley's Center for Cities + Schools and Bay Area high schools
- Will inform Horizon and Plan Bay Area 2050
- One school will participate in each Bay Area county



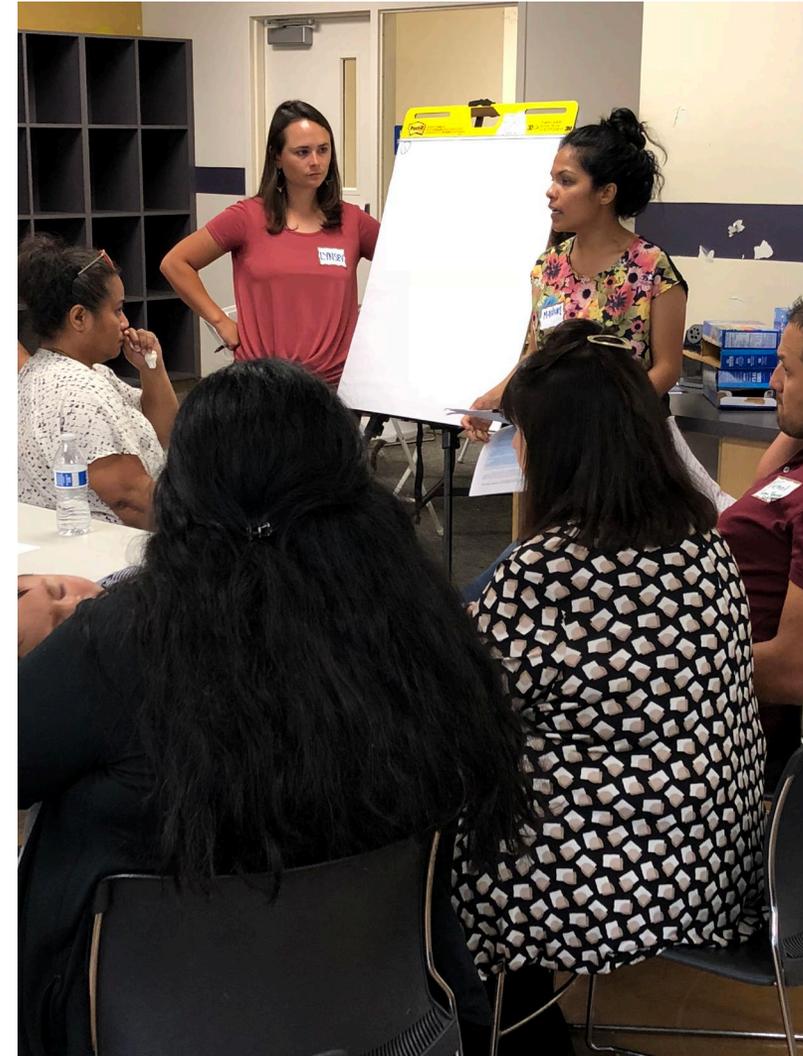
# Youth Engagement with Y-PLAN

- Semester-long, in-class project focused on the future of schools through Horizon's core topic areas: **transportation, housing, economic development, and resilience**
- Regional Summit at UC Berkeley in spring 2019
- Further opportunities through Plan Bay Area 2050



# Community Outreach

- Provides underserved residents the ability to give critical input on MTC's and ABAG's long-range planning efforts
- MTC recently selected eight community-based partners through a competitive process
- Groups include Chinese radio station and organizations targeting environmental justice, youth leadership development and persons with disabilities



# Community Outreach

- Engage community residents on key issues relating to Bay Area housing, transportation, economic development and resilience
- In fiscal year 2018-19, the organizations will provide input on the Horizon initiative via focus groups

