
philanthropic resources, CIII provides funders a forum to identify partnership and funding opportunities and work together to leverage the influence and impact of their leadership and grant dollars.

College Access Initiative, Tulare County

United Way of Tulare County, Contact - Argelia Flores

A collaborative project of organizations dedicated to enhancing the college going rate of Tulare County students and young adults. The primary goal is to develop expertise and resources that enhance college access services and programs in the identified communities. The initiative will strive to support students and schools by providing ongoing influence, advocacy, evaluation and active guidance to project partners. The mission of the Tulare County College Access Initiative is to focus on helping students graduate from high school prepared to succeed in post-secondary education.

Community Building Initiative, Tulare County

United Way of Tulare County, Contact – Emy Blankenship

The Community Building Initiative is a practical path to sustainable community action that engages community members and facilitates the completion of a plan of action which celebrates community strengths and creates a roadmap for improving the quality of life. The program involves all generations, recognizes that long term change requires long term presence, encourages community centered action that is managed and driven by local residents, and forms strategic partnerships. This asset-based approach builds on the strengths of the community as the foundation from which to create proactive, sustainable, community driven avenues for meeting community needs.

Community Transformation Grant, Fresno County

Fresno County Department of Public Health, Contact-Ed Moreno

Created by the Affordable Care Act, the Community Transformation Grant (CTG) initiative supports states and communities to address the root causes of poor health so that Americans can lead healthier, more productive lives. Grantees will use these funds to improve where Americans live, learn, work, and play to reduce chronic diseases, such as heart disease, stroke and diabetes. By promoting healthy lifestyles, especially among population groups experiencing the highest rates of chronic disease, CTC will help improve health, reduce health disparities, and control health care spending.

Connecting the Dots: A proactive approach to addressing homelessness, Kings/Tulare

Kings/Tulare Continuum of Care on Homelessness, Contact Betsy McGovern-Garcia

Connecting the Dots is intended to refocus current efforts and provide best practices for developing new programs. The Continuum has a vision that Connecting the Dots will be used as a practical guide for goal setting, establishing local priorities, allocating funding, and developing new programs that work to eradicate homelessness. Connecting the Dots includes

feasible implementation steps and resources that can be utilized by organizations and jurisdictions within Kings and Tulare Counties, to work towards a more complete continuum of services and housing for individuals experiencing homelessness.

Downtown Revitalization Plan, Fresno

City of Fresno, Contact-Craig Scharton

Department (DCR) has been focusing the strategic revitalization efforts in the downtown Lowell neighborhood. The SC2 team has been working with the City since July 2011 to help

efforts are aimed at achieving a thriving and prosperous downtown through efficient planning and design, investment and development, sustainable funding and management and attracting increased food traffic with events.

El Joven Noble, Fresno and Tulare Counties

Fresno Barrios Unidos, Contact-Socorro Santillan and National Latino Fatherhood and Family Institute, Contact-Hector Sanchez-Flores

El Joven Noble is a youth development, support, and leadership enhancement program that

the philosophy that youth need other men, women, their family, and community to care for and assist in the journey of womanhood and manhood. The National Latino Fatherhood and Family Institute (NLFFI), provides the cultural, theoretical and philosophical base of the *El Joven Noble* communities that

have maximized the impact of their efforts to incorporate the *El Joven Noble* philosophy have done so by creating strong inter-organizational links between organizations that share a goal to serve the community through culturally inclusive strategies and methods.

Fresno Regional Workforce Investment Board (FRWIB), Fresno County

Contact-Pam Lassetter, Assistant Director

Serves both the business community and the individual job seeker with the provision of human capital development services; hope to foster the economic vitality of the Fresno region. FRWIB is a Joint Powers Authority between the City of Fresno and Fresno County.

Fresno Stewardship Initiative, Fresno

Fresno Business Council, Contact-Deb Nankivell

The primary goal of the Fresno Stewardship Initiative is to develop, steward and execute a community agenda for the Fresno Region. They assist leaders and institutions in using it as a lens to view their initiatives and endeavors. They strive to cultivate coordination and communication functions to leverage the resources of institutions, agencies, organizations, companies and individuals who commit to playing their part in achieving community goals.



Strong Cities, Strong Communities-City of Fresno

City of Fresno, Contact-Sarah Nusser

Strong Cities, Strong Communities, or SC2, is an interagency collaboration that aims to development and downtown revitalization. Fresno is one of six pilot cities. A Community Solutions Team (CST), which is comprised of 23 full and part time federal employees, from ; -based strategy. They will change the way the federal does business by providing intensive interagency technical

-Fresno County

Central California Children's Institute, Contact-Cassandra Joubert

ates agreed upon outcomes recommended policy strategies for improving the lives of all children and youth in the San Joaquin Valley.

policymakers, grantmakers and elected officials to make greater prevention-oriented

provides a framework to advance the well-being of children in the San Joaquin Valley through six goals: Communities and families are ready for children, nurturing parents and caregivers, children ready for school, healthy, safe and secure youth, engaged and connected youth, and youth prepared for life.

The Child

-Fresno County

First 5 Fresno County, Contact-Kendra Rogers

The Children's Movement of Fresno believes that the well-being and education of our children in Fresno County must be the highest priority of government, business, non-profit institutions and families. The economic future of our county and the stability of the communities we live in depend on achieving this goal. The major objective of the citizen-led, non-partisan Children's Movement of Fresno is to inform the political, business and civic leaders, and the parents and people of this county, about this issue and encourage them to make the well-being and education of our children our highest priority, including in the way we invest our public resources.

Welcoming America California

Institute for Local Government, Contact -Terry Amsler

[Welcoming America](#) is a national organization with affiliates in fifteen states that works to promote mutual respect and cooperation between foreign-born and U.S.-born Americans.

Welcoming Tennessee, the first Welcoming campaign and model for all subsequent campaigns

immigrant integration initiatives in 2009.

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