Equitable Economic Recovery Task Force

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Workforce
Development Board
Contra Costa County

Agenda

9:00	Welcome	and introductions	Kristin Connelly
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9:05 Economic update – Kristin Connelly and Lindy Lavender

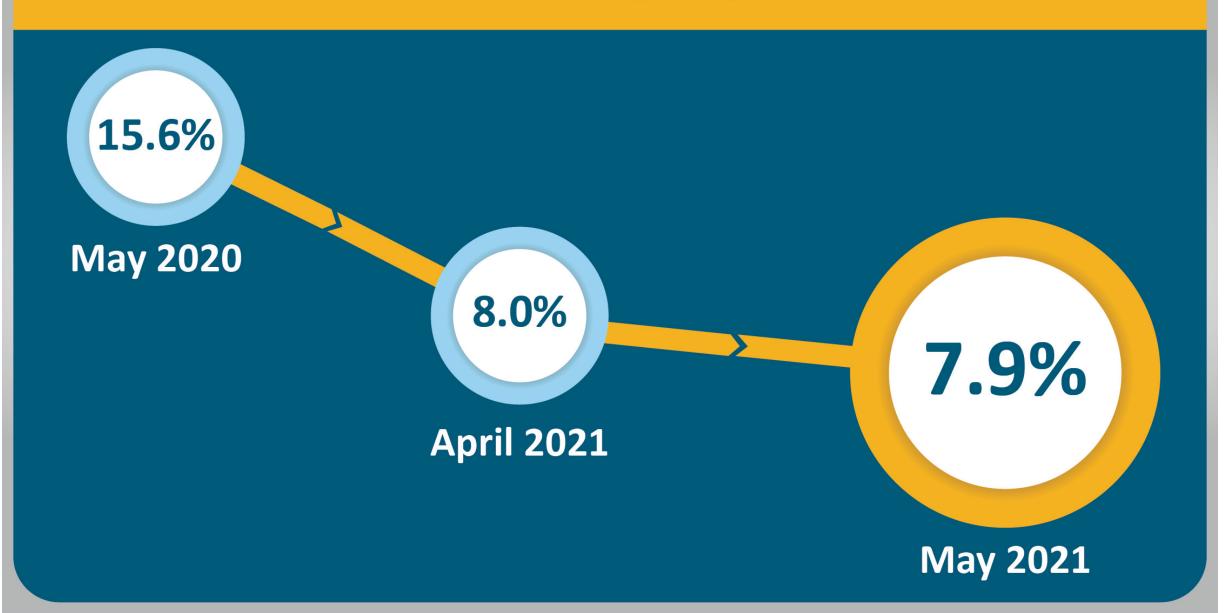
9:15 Review work of task force and set goals – All

9:30 Breakout groups – All

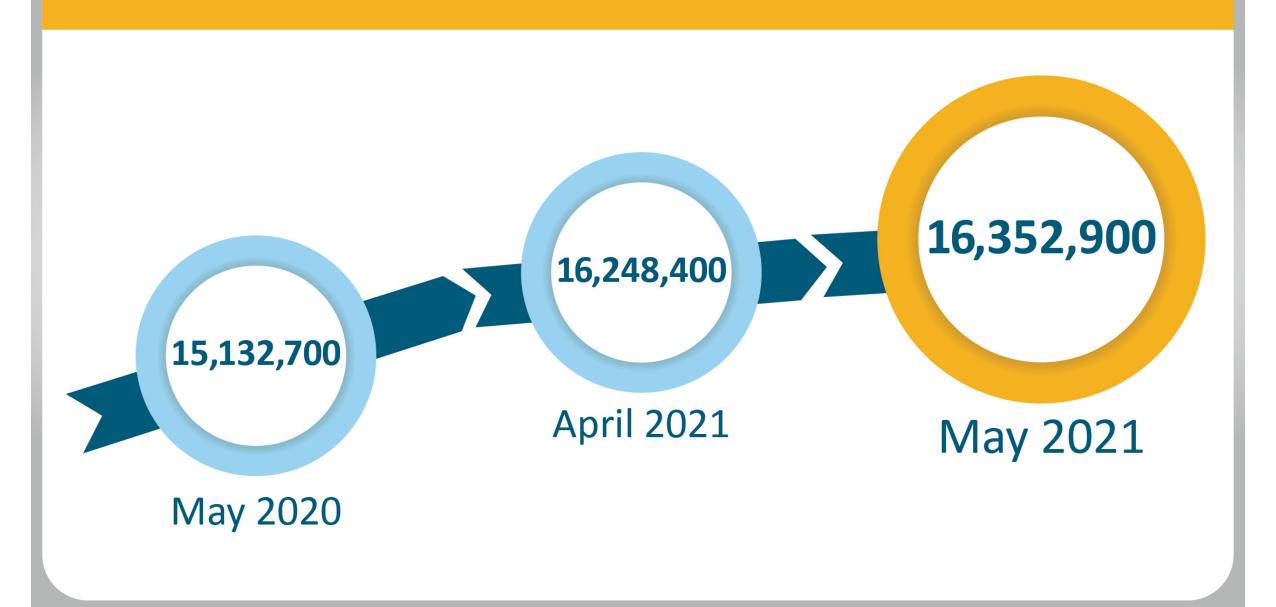
9:55 Adjourn



California Unemployment Rate



California Payroll Jobs



Contra Costa Unemployment

Labor Force 533,000

Employment 499,500

Unemployment 33,500

Rate 6.3%



Reviewing work and moving forward



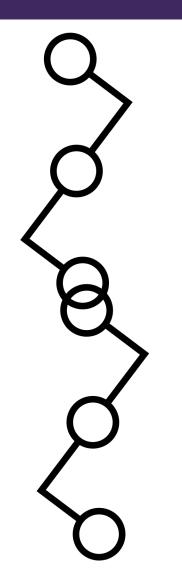
Where we started

- Incredible uncertainty and fear
- Funding from Contra Costa County
- Input from diverse stakeholders and employers
- Recognition of structural issues impacting the economy
- Developed shared vision



Task force at work

- ✓ Convened issue experts and regional leaders online
- ✓ Hosted 16 meetings in 11 months
- ✓ Educated on latest research and economic data
- ✓ Discussed problems and solutions
- ✓ Advocated on shared priorities







Issues addressed

- Small business support
- Access to broadband
- Childcare gaps
- Economic mobility
- Guaranteed income
- Rental assistance
- Work-based learning
- Affordable housing
- American Rescue Plan
- Measure X

Those behind on rent are overwhelmingly low-income households that have experienced job & income losses.

For California:

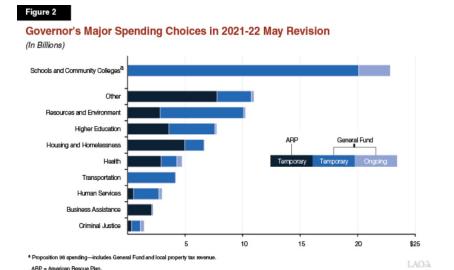
76%

People of Color

Low Income (<\$50k)

52%

Lost Employment Income



Moving Forward

- 1) Best design for building a more equitable economy in Contra Costa?
- 2) What future goals should we set?
- 3) How would you and/or your organization like to stay engaged?



Discussing vision



Breakout discussion

- 1) What can be accomplished in the next year? Next 5 or 10 years?
- 2) Who else needs to be engaged?
- 3) How would you structure the work?
- 4) What tangible things (e.g. reports, op-eds, policy) should be developed from this work in the short and long-term?

