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California Citizens Redistricting Commission
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Dear Commissioners,

We appreciate your commitment to deepening your knowledge of the technical, legal, and community engagement skillsets needed for your future demographer. Additionally, we deeply appreciate your willingness to incorporate the expertise of community partners to inform your public outreach and engagement plans. The 20 undersigned organizations make up a diverse network across California, ranging from base-building grassroots organizations, to civil rights and advocacy organizations, to good government and voter education organizations, united by a mission to strengthen the political empowerment of low-income communities and communities of color in the redistricting process. We write to share our desire and willingness to be a resource that helps deepen your understanding of participation barriers and supports your ability to engage diverse communities throughout our state.

We are open to providing workshops, participating in panel discussions, and/or doing presentations to the Commission on a variety of topics, such as best practices for community outreach and engagement, especially among Asian Americans, Blacks/African Americans, Latinxs, Native Americans, Pacific Islanders, Muslims and other religious communities, immigrants, refugees, and youth of color. Our partners also hold expertise on a variety of topics, including but not limited to language access, 2020 Census community outreach, and lessons learned from public participation in the 2010 Citizens Redistricting Commission's process.

Below is a snapshot of the partners in our network, highlighting the expertise they have on particular issues and the communities they work with and/or represent. We look forward to partnering with you to ensure a successful redistricting process that fully engages all communities in California. Please feel free to reach out to Alejandra Ponce de León from Advancement Project California (aponcedeleon@advanceproj.org) and/or Rosalind Gold from NALEO Educational Fund (rgold@naleo.org) to assist in the coordination with partners.

Sincerely,

APIs for Civic Empowerment-EF
Advancement Project California

CHIRLA
Council on American-Islamic Relations - Los

Alliance San Diego	Angeles
Asian Americans Advancing Justice - Asian Law Caucus	Dolores Huerta Foundation
Asian Americans Advancing Justice - Los Angeles	Inland Empire United
Black Census and Redistricting Hub	League of Women Voters of California
California Common Cause	Mi Familia Vota Education Fund
California League of Conservation Voters	National Association of Latino & Appointed Elected Officials (NALEO) Educational Fund
California Native Vote Project	Orange County Civic Engagement Table
Central Coast Alliance United for Sustainable Economy (CAUSE)	PICO California
	Power California

Organization	Activities	Membership Base/Constituency & Geographic Focus	Areas of Expertise
<p><u>AAPIs for Civic Empowerment - EF (AAPI FORCE-EF)</u></p> <p>Timmy Lu Executive Director <u>timmy@aapiforce.org</u></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ Advocacy ✓ Community Outreach & Education (<i>Census/ Redistricting/ Voting</i>) ✓ Coalition Building & Coordination ✓ Data & Research ✓ Grassroots Organizing ✓ Technical Assistance & Training 	<p>Membership base/constituency: Asian Americans and Pacific Islanders</p> <p>Geographic Focus:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ Statewide ✓ Regional <p>Regions: Fresno, Los Angeles, Long Beach, SF Bay, Sacramento</p>	<p>Issues/topics:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● AAPI civic engagement ● Democratic participation ● Racial & economic justice <p>Resources: <u>Census Cat redistricting and Census toolkit</u></p>
<p><u>Advancement Project California</u></p> <p>Alejandra Ponce de León Policy & Research Analyst</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ Advocacy ✓ Coalition Building & Coordination ✓ Data & Research ✓ Policy Analysis ✓ Technical Assistance & Training 	<p>Membership base/constituency: Low-income communities of color</p> <p>Geographic Focus:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ Statewide 	<p>Issues/topics:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Barriers to public participation for low-income communities of color in democratic processes. ● Data and analysis on racial disparities at the state,

<p>aponcedeleon@advanceproj.org</p>		<p>✓ Regional</p> <p>Regions: Los Angeles County</p>	<p>county, and city levels and across a wide range of issues.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● 2020 Census statewide policy advocacy efforts. ● 2020 Census outreach in Los Angeles County. <p>Resources: Unequal Voices, Part I: California’s Racial Disparities in Political Participation</p> <p>Unequal Voices, Part II: Who Speaks for California?</p> <p>RACE COUNTS: measures the overall performance, amount of racial disparity, and impact by population size of counties and cities in California.</p> <p>Census Policy and Advocacy Network (CPAN): California Hard-to-Count Demographic Briefs</p>
<p>Alliance San Diego</p> <p><i>Vanessa Green Census and Redistricting Fellow</i> vanessa@alliancesd.org</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ Advocacy ✓ Community Outreach & Education (<i>Census/Redistricting/ Voting</i>) ✓ Coalition Building & Coordination ✓ Grassroots Organizing ✓ Policy Analysis 	<p>Membership base/constituency: BIPOC, Low-Income, Immigrant, Voters.</p> <p>Geographic Focus: ✓ Regional</p> <p>Regions: San Diego County</p>	<p>Issues/topics:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Unity Mapping ● Community Outreach/Engagement to BIPOC, low-income and immigrant communities ● Training ● Coalition admin and facilitation
<p>Asian Americans Advancing Justice - Asian Law Caucus</p> <p><i>Julia Marks Voting Rights Attorney</i></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ Advocacy ✓ Community Outreach & Education (<i>Census/Redistricting/ Voting</i>) ✓ Coalition Building & Coordination ✓ Data & Research ✓ Litigation ✓ Policy Analysis 	<p>Membership base/constituency: Asian American & Pacific Islander</p> <p>Geographic Focus: ✓ Statewide</p>	<p>Issues/topics:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Language Access ● Unity Mapping ● Data and Analysis for API Communities throughout CA ● Community Outreach & Engagement to API,

<p>juliam@advancingjustice-alc.org</p> <p>Asian Americans Advancing Justice - Los Angeles</p> <p>June Lim Demographic Research Project Director jlim@advancingjustice-la.org</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ Technical Assistance & Training 	<p>Regions: Advancing Justice - ALC focuses in the Bay Area.</p> <p>Advancing Justice - Los Angeles focuses in Southern CA.</p>	<p>low-income, and immigrant populations</p> <p>Resources: CPAN Report: Asian Americans Count!</p>
<p>Black Census and Redistricting Hub</p> <p>James Woodson Senior Policy Manager jwoodson@calicalls.org</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ Advocacy ✓ Community Outreach & Education (<i>Census/Redistricting/ Voting</i>) ✓ Coalition Building & Coordination ✓ Data & Research ✓ Grassroots Organizing ✓ Policy Analysis ✓ Technical Assistance & Training 	<p>Membership base/constituency: Black Diaspora</p> <p>Geographic Focus: ✓ Statewide</p> <p>Regions: Bay Area (Alameda, Contra Costa), Central Valley (Kern, Fresno), Inland Empire (San Bernardino, Riverside), Los Angeles, Sacramento, San Diego, San Joaquin.</p>	<p>Issues/topics:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Prison Gerrymandering ● Language Access for Black Immigrant Communities ● Unity Mapping ● Data and Analysis for Black Communities throughout CA ● Community Outreach and Engagement to Black Populations <p>Resources: CPAN Report: Unique Challenges to Reaching and Counting Black Californians</p>
<p>California Common Cause</p> <p>Jonathan Mehta Stein Executive Director jstein@commoncause.org</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ Advocacy ✓ Community Outreach & Education (<i>Census/Redistricting/ Voting</i>) ✓ Coalition Building & Coordination ✓ Litigation ✓ Policy Analysis ✓ Technical Assistance & Training 	<p>Membership base/constituency: More than 100,000 Californians, voters, and students.</p> <p>Geographic Focus: ✓ Statewide ✓ Regional</p> <p>Regions: Bay Area, Southern California, including</p>	<p>Issues/topics:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Census & Redistricting ● Voting & Elections ● Ethics & Accountability ● Media & Democracy ● Money & Influence <p>Resources: Whitewashing Representation: How Using Citizenship Data to Gerrymander Will Undermine Our Democracy</p>

		L.A., Orange, & San Diego Counties.	Reaching Low Propensity Voters in the November 2020 Elections
<p>California League of Conservation Voters</p> <p>Mike Young Political & Organizing Director myoung@ecovote.org</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ Advocacy ✓ Community Outreach & Education (<i>Census/Redistricting/ Voting</i>) ✓ Coalition Building & Coordination ✓ Grassroots Organizing ✓ Policy Analysis 	<p>Membership base/constituency: Environment</p> <p>Geographic Focus: ✓ Statewide</p>	<p>Issues/topics:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● State and federal environmental and democracy protection ● Campaigns and elections implementation and related policy ● Youth voter engagement
<p>California Native Vote Project</p> <p>Jesse Fraire Statewide Census Manager jfraire@canativevote.org</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ Advocacy ✓ Community Outreach & Education (<i>Census/Redistricting/ Voting</i>) ✓ Coalition Building & Coordination ✓ Grassroots Organizing 	<p>Membership base/constituency: American Indians/Alaska Natives</p> <p>Geographic Focus: ✓ Statewide</p>	<p>Issues/topics:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Civic engagement ● Intergenerational organizing ● Leadership development
<p>Central Coast Alliance United for a Sustainable Economy (CAUSE)</p> <p>Lucas Zucker Policy & Communications Director lucas@causenow.org</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ Advocacy ✓ Community Outreach & Education (<i>Census/Redistricting/ Voting</i>) ✓ Coalition Building & Coordination ✓ Data & Research ✓ Grassroots Organizing ✓ Policy Analysis 	<p>Membership base/constituency: Low-income BIPOC Latinx Immigrants Youth Young Adults Adults Low Propensity Voters</p> <p>Geographic Focus: ✓ Regional</p> <p>Regions: Central Coast, Ventura and Santa Barbara Counties</p>	<p>Issues/topics:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Fair Representation and Voting Rights ● Immigrant Rights ● Worker Justice ● Investing in Youth of Color ● Environmental Justice ● Tenant Rights & Affordable Housing <p>Resources: Housing Crisis 805 Report: Raising up Farmworkers CAUSE</p>
<p>CHIRLA</p> <p>Esperanza Guevara Census Campaign Manager</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ Advocacy ✓ Community Outreach & Education (<i>Census/Redistricting/ Voting</i>) ✓ Grassroots Organizing ✓ Policy Analysis 	<p>Membership base/constituency: Immigrant workers, students and families.</p>	<p>Issues/topics:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Pro-immigrant policies at the local, state and national level. ● Education & legal services in the areas of citizenship,

<p>eguevara@chirla.org</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ Technical Assistance & Training 	<p>Geographic Focus:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ Statewide ✓ Regional <p>Regions: Central Valley, Los Angeles, Orange County, Sacramento, San Bernardino County.</p>	<p>family unity, deportation defense and u-visas.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Census and the electoral process community education, outreach, and activation.
<p>Council on American-Islamic Relations - Greater Los Angeles Area (CAIR-LA)</p> <p>Fayaz Nawabi Policy & Advocacy Manager fNawabi@cair.com</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ Advocacy ✓ Community Outreach & Education (<i>Census/Redistricting/ Voting</i>) ✓ Coalition Building & Coordination ✓ Policy Analysis 	<p>Membership base/constituency: AMEMSA, Immigrants/Refugees</p> <p>Geographic Focus:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ Regional <p>Regions: CAIR-CA has four regional offices.</p> <p>CAIR-LA focuses on the Greater Los Angeles Area. This includes Orange County, LA County, and the IE.</p>	<p>Issues/topics:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Community Outreach/Engagement ● Language Access: Arabic, Urdu, Farsi
<p>Dolores Huerta Foundation</p> <p>Sophia Garcia GIS Analyst sgarcia@doloreshuerta.org</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ Advocacy ✓ Community Outreach & Education (<i>Census/Redistricting/ Voting</i>) ✓ Coalition Building & Coordination ✓ Data & Research ✓ Grassroots Organizing ✓ Litigation ✓ Technical Assistance & Training 	<p>Membership base/constituency: Low income communities of color</p> <p>Geographic Focus:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ Regional <p>Regions: Fresno, Kern, Los Angeles, and Tulare Counties.</p>	<p>Issues/topics:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Community Engagement and Advocacy ● Fair Representation and Voting Rights ● Redistricting Best Practices ● Mapping Communities of Interest ● Data and Analysis ● Online Interactive Maps and Poster Maps ● Esri Storymaps ● Communications and Social Media <p>Resources:</p>

			<p>Maps: The Fight for Fairer Redistricting and Voting Rights</p> <p>In the 661 Kern High School District Interview with Sophia Garcia</p> <p>Q&A: GIS Analysis Breaks Down the Latest in the KCCD Redistricting Process</p> <p>Cal GIS 2020: Roadmap to Redistricting A Community Toolkit</p> <p>Dolores Huerta Foundation Project Practicum: Roadmap to Redistricting A Community Toolkit For Fair Maps</p> <p>Roadmap to Redistricting: Combatting Gerrymandering in your District</p> <p>Dolores Huerta Foundation Proposed Kern High School District Boundaries</p>
<p>Inland Empire United</p> <p><i>Sky Allen</i> Project Manager sky@ieunited.org</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ Advocacy ✓ Community Outreach & Education (<i>Census/ Redistricting/ Voting</i>) ✓ Coalition Building & Coordination ✓ Grassroots Organizing 	<p>Membership base/constituency: Low propensity voters of color</p> <p>Geographic Focus: ✓ Regional</p> <p>Regions: Inland Empire - San Bernardino & Riverside Counties</p>	<p>Issues/topics:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Data management ● Representation for inland & rural communities ● Community outreach to folks at the margins
<p>League of Women Voters of California</p> <p><i>Helen Hutchison</i> Redistricting Director</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ Advocacy ✓ Community Outreach & Education (<i>Census/ Redistricting/ Voting</i>) ✓ Litigation ✓ Policy Analysis 	<p>Membership base/constituency: LWV members, voters, and elected officials.</p> <p>Geographic Focus:</p>	<p>Issues/topics:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Voting Rights ● Civic engagement <p>Resources:</p>

<p>hhutchison@lwvc.org</p>		<p>✓ Statewide</p>	<p>Fair Maps California Redistricting Toolkit When People Draw the Lines</p>
<p>Mi Familia Vota Education Fund</p> <p><i>Samuel Molina, California state director, Samuelm@mifamilia.org</i></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ Advocacy ✓ Community Outreach & Education (<i>Census/Redistricting/ Voting</i>) ✓ Coalition Building & Coordination ✓ Grassroots Organizing 	<p>Membership base/constituency: Latino, immigrant, youth, low-income</p> <p>Geographic Focus: ✓ Statewide</p> <p>Regions: Fresno, Riverside, San Bernardino, San Joaquin, Stanislaus, and Tulare Counties</p>	<p>Issues/topics:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Language Access for Latino communities ● Community Outreach & Engagement to Latino, low-income, rural and immigrant populations
<p>National Association of Latino and Appointed Elected Officials (NALEO) Educational Fund</p> <p><i>Rosalind Gold Chief Public Policy Officer rgold@naleo.org</i></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ Advocacy ✓ Community Outreach & Education (<i>Census/Redistricting/ Voting</i>) ✓ Coalition Building & Coordination ✓ Data & Research ✓ Grassroots Organizing ✓ Policy Analysis ✓ Technical Assistance & Training 	<p>Membership base/constituency: Latino</p> <p>Geographic Focus: ✓ Statewide</p>	<p>Issues/topics:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Barriers to participation for Latinos in U.S. democracy, including language access ● Best messages and messengers to mobilize Latinos to participate in Census, naturalization, voting (non-partisan), and redistricting ● Policy development on the foregoing issues at the state and federal level ● Challenges created by Census 2020 questions on Hispanic origin and race ● Latino demographic and electoral trends nationwide and in California ● Assistance in conveying Latino communities' perspectives on COI's to unity mapping (actively engaged in 2011 in CCRC and LAUSD redistricting)

			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Transitioning community engagement and advocacy programs during COVID-19 pandemic <p>Resources: Hagase Contar! - Be Counted - Census 2020 resources</p> <p>Latino Voters At Risk: Barriers to Latino Voting During COVID-19</p> <p>2020 Latino Election Handbook</p> <p>Guides to Language Access in Elections (together with AAJC and Fair Elections Center)</p>
<p>Orange County Civic Engagement Table</p> <p>Daniel Ichinose Research Director Daniel@ocaction.org</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ Advocacy ✓ Community Outreach & Education (<i>Census/Redistricting/ Voting</i>) ✓ Coalition Building & Coordination ✓ Data & Research ✓ Grassroots Organizing ✓ Technical Assistance & Training 	<p>Membership base/constituency: AAPI, Latinx, Labor, Environmental Justice</p> <p>Geographic Focus: ✓ Regional</p> <p>Regions: Orange County</p>	<p>Issues/topics:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> AAPI-Latinx-Labor-EnEnvironmental Justice Alliance that works at the intersection of race, immigrant, and economic justice.
<p>PICO California</p> <p>Andrew Lee Faith Census Hub Manager andrew@picocalifornia.org</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ Advocacy ✓ Community Outreach & Education (<i>Census/Redistricting/ Voting</i>) ✓ Coalition Building & Coordination ✓ Grassroots Organizing 	<p>Membership base/constituency: Faith-based African American/Black, Latino, white, & API</p> <p>Geographic Focus: ✓ Statewide</p> <p>Regions: Alameda, Contra Costa, Del Norte, Fresno, Humboldt, Kern, LA, Merced, Riverside,</p>	<p>Issues/topics:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Multi-issue community outreach/education & grassroots organizing in diverse faith communities

		<p>Sacramento, San Bernardino, San Diego, San Francisco, San Joaquin, San Mateo, Santa Clara, Stanislaus Counties.</p>	
<p>Power California <i>Alicia Olivarez</i> <i>Narrative and Policy Director</i> alicia@powercalifornia.org</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ Advocacy ✓ Community Outreach & Education (<i>Census/Redistricting/ Voting</i>) ✓ Coalition Building & Coordination ✓ Grassroots Organizing 	<p>Membership base/constituency: Immigrants, refugees, and youth of color.</p> <p>Geographic Focus:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ Statewide ✓ Regional <p>Regions: Central Valley, Los Angeles</p>	<p>Issues/topics:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Voter outreach and civic participation with young people of color 16-34 ● Voting Rights - especially for young people ● Narrative, communications and cultural strategy ● Digital organizing ● Influencer engagement/PSA <p>Resources: Youth Poll - Civic engagement</p>