Focus Conversation: Advancing the IE through Public Policy



Conversants



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State Budget Update & What it Means for the IE

- 2022-23 State Budget
 - Governor signed \$308 Billion budget (historic)
 - Record Surplus of \$100 Billion
- 2023-24 State Budget
 - Potential revenue shortfall

Julian Cuevas

- **Assemblymember Ramos: \$4 Million** for Loma Linda University Children's Hospital is getting "to fund a pilot program serving child victims of physical, sexual or mental abuse,"
- Majority Leader Reyes: \$19 Million for the City of Colton will receive to improve the Colton Sports
 Park Complex and Luque Resource Center; \$15 Million for a partnership between the San
 Bernardino Community College District and KVCR
- Assemblymember Holden: \$1.9 Million for the Rancho Cucamonga Wildfire Detection Initiative to install "a newly available rapid wildfire detection system on the power line structures along the city's northern boundary,"; \$200 Million for Dual Enrollment
- **Senator Leyva: \$1 Million** for the Chicano Latino Youth Leadership Project (CLYLP) for project expansion to the Inland Empire, particularly to set up a high school program in the region.
- Assemblymember Cervantes: \$33 Million to buy land in Jurupa Valley for the Inland Empire Technical Trade Center which would offer Riverside Community College District students instruction in carpentry, retail, automotive and cybersecurity, etc.
- Assemblymember Smith: <u>\$520,000</u> for the Family Assistance Program in Victorville, CA, to advance the "Outdoor Access for All" initiative

Sky Allen

- Prop I- Guarantee Abortion Rights in CA Constitution
- Prop 26 Legalize Sports Betting at Tribal Casinos
- Prop 27 Allow Online Sports Betting
- Prop 28 Guarantee Funding for Arts/Music Education
- Prop 29 Impose Rules on Dialysis Clinics
- Prop 30 Clean Cars Clean Air Act
- Prop 3 I Uphold Ban on Flavored Tobacco Products

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CalNonprofits: 6 Policy Priorities

- 1. Advocate for sufficient public investment in our communities. Key economic drivers in the state, greater accountability to donations and transparency to philanthropy overall.
- 2. Improve and strengthen the nonprofit sector's relationship with government. Fair indirect expenses, not be disadvantaged in government bidding.
- 3. Support the nonprofit workforce; Wage equity, student debt, healthcare, benefits.
- 4. Promote civic engagement. "Vote With your Mission"
- 5. Ensure nonprofit independence and public accountability: Fair political practices and transparency in all sectors.
- 6. Protect and defend the broad values of the nonprofit community: Access to healthcare, social services, financial resources, etc.

7 Policy Framework Questions

- Would our involvement advance our mission?
- Would our involvement draw on our expertise, positioning, and knowledge?
- Does the policy in question significantly affect the California nonprofit sector?
- Would our involvement help reduce disparities and advance equity among Californians?
- Would our involvement create opportunities to engage member organizations in advocacy and to expand our membership base?
- Would our involvement add value to the effort, and do we receive value to our organization and members through our involvement?
- Do we have the capacity to be effective advocates?
- Do we have a unique contribution to add?

IE Local Policy Advocacy Efforts

Children's Cabinet: Wrote 7 policies, submitted two policy legislative budgetary asks

- Childcare workers as essential workers
- Expanding workforce pathways
- Pre-School Expulsion AB 2806

<u>CalEndow</u>: Advocacy Toolkit: "Beginner's Guide to Nonprofit Advocacy"

California Nonprofit Funding Opportunities

- Covid-19 Supplemental Sick Leave Relief Grants:
 \$250 million
- PSLF (Public Service Loan Forgiveness) 7.2 million ends Oct. 31.
- Calif. Covid Relief Grants: \$100 million
- Arts & Culture Funding: \$175 million, \$125 million
 CA. Assoc. Museums
- Funds to Combat Hate: \$90 million