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Coal Transition Communities





BRECC National Network

- All coal community stakeholders
- Resource platform + learning series
- Learn best practices + build connections

Storytelling

- Highlight community success stories
- Interviews, blogs and podcasts
- Share challenges and solutions with a national audience

Commitment Coalition

- Local coal community leaders
- Peer exchanges + site visits
- Strengthen local capacity + advance projects for economic resilience

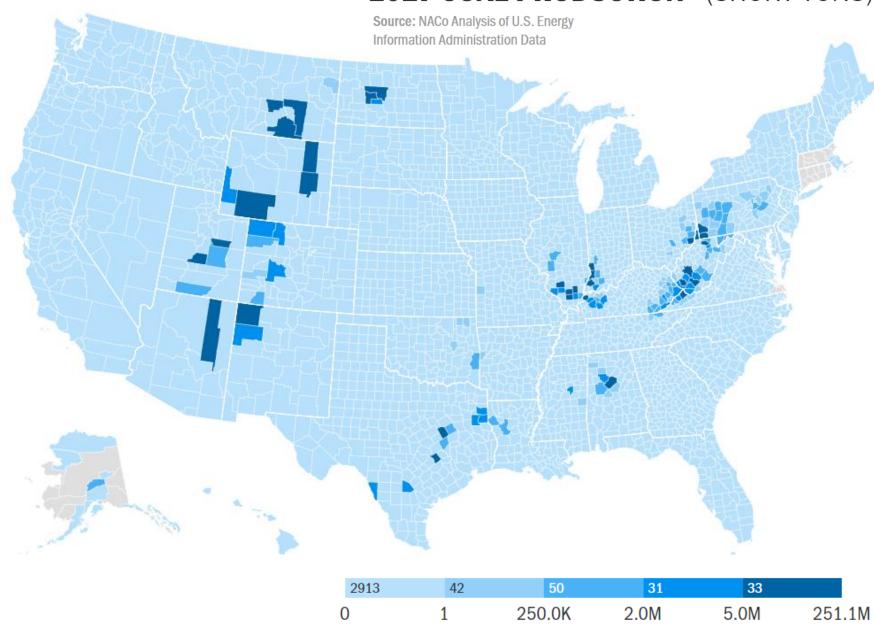
Action Challenge

- Cross-sector community teams
- Technical assistance + coaching support
- Develop an economic diversification strategy

2017 COAL PRODUCTION - (SHORT TONS)

330+ counties with at least one coal fired power plant

150+ counties have some level of coal production





- Workforce Retention + Retraining
- Attracting + Establishing New Industries
- Public-Private Partnerships
- Local businesses + Entrepreneurs
- Housing
- Infrastructure + Broadband
- Revenue Streams
- Regional Collaboration
- Project Implementation + Funding



Join the BRECC National Network!



Register for the BRECC National Network learning session on Thursday, March 23!



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Manufacturing



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History of the AMC Collaborative



- → 2014 NEC and Multi-agency Investing in Manufacturing Communities Partnership (<u>IMCP</u>) designation program begins; a new bottom-up policy model
 - **♦** Communities meet rigorous selection criteria with 3 key elements:
 - 1. Organize a diverse regional public/private backbone organization
 - 2. Conduct a regional SWOT analysis
 - 3. Create a regional plan that strengthens the 6 areas essential for a thriving manufacturing ecosystem: workforce, supply chain, research, infrastructure, trade & capital access
 - Over 70 US regions first apply for IMCP Designations showing large demand
- → 24 Regions Designated as IMCP Communities in 2 Years
 - Designation came with technical assistance, some preference for grants, branding
 - Community of practice develops amongst the regions

Bottom-up LeadershipIMCP Persists to Become AMCC



- **→** 2016-2018
 - ◆ IMCP regions continue holding weekly national conference call meetings
 - ◆ IMCP regions interact with one another, sharing best practices
 - ◆ IMCP regions keep local partners working together on joint projects
 - ◆ Federal staff continue assisting the IMCP network stakeholders
- → 2018: IMCP communities organize a national Summit in DC leads to:
 - Creation of a new non-profit organization (AMCC)
 - Outreach to Congress for the IMCP model to become law in DOD federal program
- → 2018-2021: the work expands with volunteer efforts

2022 Federal Designation

AMCC Recognized as America's Manufacturing Community of Practice



- Free Open Source Evidence Based Community of Practice
- Target Communities and Collaborators:
 - EDA IMCP (24), DOD DMCSP (17+), EDA BBBRC (60), DOE LEAP (24), NSF Engines, CHIPs & Science Act Tech Hubs
 - Other relevant EDA Communities of Practice coalitions
 - Other relevant federal investment collaborators, e.g.
 Manufacturing USA Institutes, Argonne Nat'l Lab EDCI
 - Other relevant state, regional, philanthropic coalitions, e.g.
 CA's CERF regions
 - Other public and private BFFs, e.g. CREC, ASBN, Connex, Accenture, Renewable Thermal Collaborative

Some Key AMCC 2023 Activities



- Grow CoP via weekly calls, weekly newsletter, website, podcast, regional visits
- Integrate efforts with manufacturing community stakeholders of all kinds, to include other CoPs, governments, NGOs, and private sector entities
- Co-create a Manufacturing Community Ecosystem Metrics (MCEM) tool with regional feedback and Big 6 criteria, an effort led by AMCC and NIST with DOD, DOE, DOL,, NSF, and EDA partners
- Sustain and expand online sharing of best practices and case studies

Join AMCC Activities!

- Explore <u>americanmcc.org</u>
- Join a national Monday call (message David to be added)
- Get weekly updates at <u>americanmcc.org/subscribe</u>
- Chat with us today on how we can add value to your work
- Contact us by email:

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State-EDD Partnerships

An Afternoon with the Districts

CREC's Efforts to Connect the District and States

March 15, 2023



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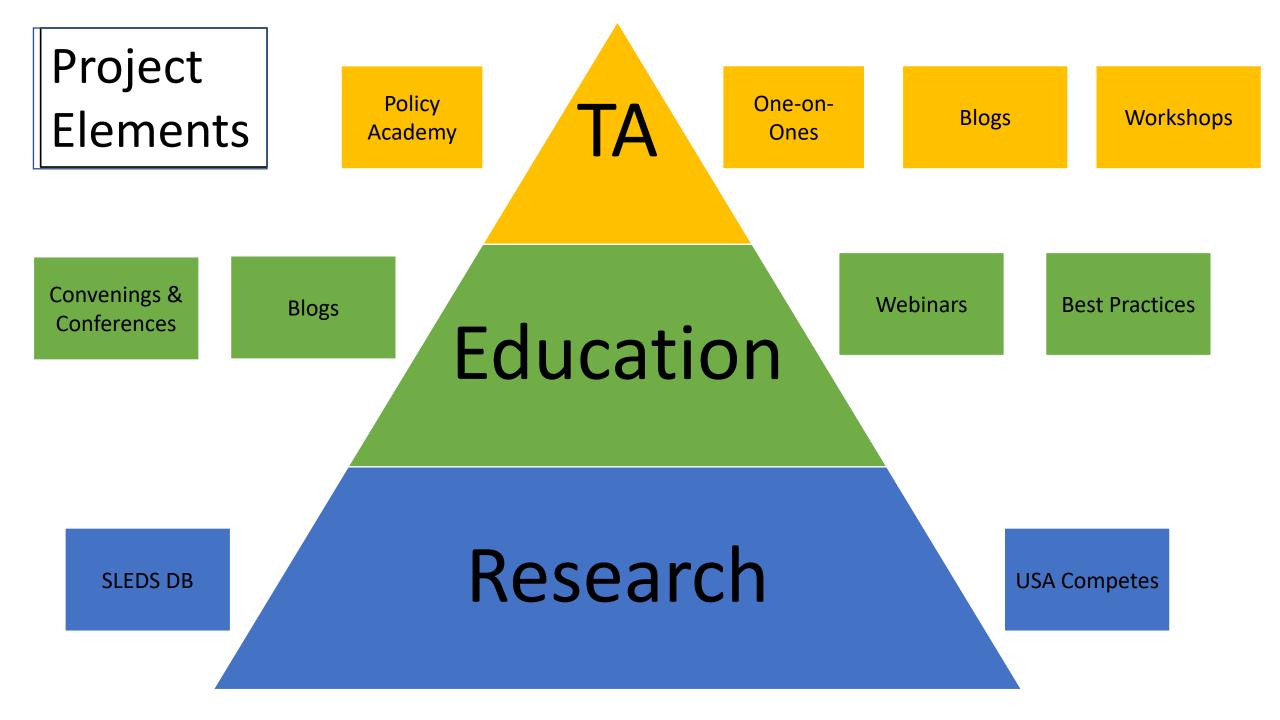


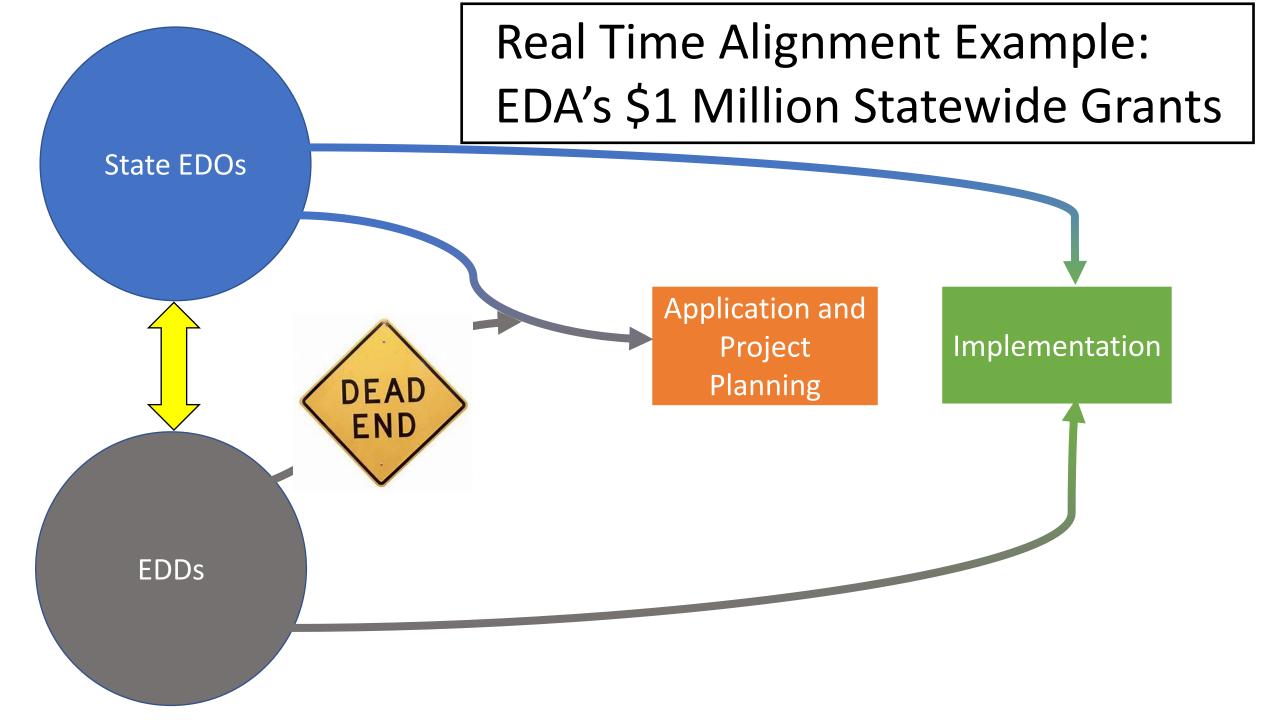
- CREC is an independent nonprofit providing strategic economic analysis
- Manages several networks and association including State Economic Development Executives (SEDE) Network
- Asked by EDA to document current EDD-State alignment and execute approaches to improve collaboration.
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- Through applied <u>research</u>, <u>education</u>, <u>and technical</u>
 <u>assistance</u>, this project will enable state and local leaders to
 create jobs and achieve economic recovery through better:
 - Alignment and coordination of efforts
 - Leverage investments
 - Efficient outcomes
 - Lower costs

More information at **Stateeconomicdevelopment.org**







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Rural Housing



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NeighborWorks: Who We Are

- NeighborWorks America creates opportunities for people to live in affordable homes, improve their lives and strengthen their communities.
- At the foundation of the NeighborWorks mission are nearly 250 strong, healthy and prepared NeighborWorks network organizations in every state, the District of Columbia and Puerto Rico. As a congressionally chartered and funded nonpartisan nonprofit, we support organizations that provide communities with affordable housing, financial counseling and coaching, training, and resident engagement and collaboration in the areas of health, employment and education.
- We build skills, supplement resources and amplify the reach of organizations so they can empower more individuals and transform more communities.









Sample of NeighborWorks Activities



Lending
Through CDFIs



Homebuyer Assistance and Counseling



Rental Eviction Prevention



Housing Rehabilitation and Replacement



Affordable Housing Development



Small Business and Commercial Microlending



Community
Development
Partnerships



Organizational Resiliency



Professional Training



Community Building and Engagement

Rural Initiative

Key Stats

- 120 Rural NeighborWorks organizations work predominantly in rural communities, but may also work in suburban and urban areas
- Focus on Rural in the NeighborWorks network for 20+ years
- National priority of serving historically underserved communities and areas of persistent poverty

Activities

- Fund capacity building grants
- Build and leverage external partnerships to increase network connections and amplify organizational work
- Develop practitioner toolkits for network distribution across housing and community development themes
- Develop collaborative and connective peer cohorts across topical areas and geographies
- Assist rural organizations to build strong partnerships with local governments and leaders to collaborate in accessing new funding for rural capacity building



Key Work in 2023

- Manufactured Housing
 - Creating resources to help organizations begin conversations with local leaders and communities
 - Partnership with Lincoln Land Institute
- Capital
 - Rural Lending Collaborations
 - Flexible lending products for rural areas
 - New sources of development capital for rural communities
- Rural Comprehensive Community Development
 - Assessing rural communities in a place-based framework to find solutions generated by local stakeholders
- Building community development and housing leadership of color in rural communities
 - Support leadership development cohorts at all career levels for practitioners of color

- Federal Agency Partnerships
 - Deepen engagement at USDA and HUD to increase collaboration with network organizations
- National and Regional Partnerships
 - Build rural capacity with national intermediary partners Housing Assistance Council, Rural LISC, Enterprise Community Partners, and Habitat for Humanity
- State and Local Partnerships
 - Increase network understanding of state govt structures and funding streams
 - Supporting increased local community partnerships with our organizations across sectors
- Digital Inclusion/Digital Divide
 - Provide trainings for network organizations to create digital navigator positions to serve entire community



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Revolving Loan Funds



EDA's RLF Community of Practice

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Our Team - NDC and our Partners





NDC is an RLF and CDFI with a history of providing technical assistance to government agencies and other CDFIs and RLFs. NDC has leveraged \$4.6M in EDA grants and made \$20M loans.

Community Reinvestment Fund, USA.

CRF is a national leader in providing online systems and support to community lenders. CRF has worked with hundreds of lending organizations to assess, improve, and optimize lending operations.



Drexel's Nowak Metro Finance Lab

Nowak is a national source of economic development program and finance "best practices" work around the United States.

Catalyze

Catalyze is a national firm providing consulting and advisory support on models and products for the innovative finance community. Catalyze led an EDA-supported effort exploring alternative capital sources.





CoP Objectives and Audience



CoP Objectives

Increase the capacity of RLFs to meet the needs of their local economic develop strategies by...

- 1. Increasing organizational capacity.
- 2. Increasing the volume of loans and loan capital.
- 3. Establishing a peer-to-peer group of RLFs to collaborate on needs, capitalization strategies, organizational capacities, and program impact.
- 4. Increasing understanding of broader economic development strategies through access to national expertise on topics of key interest to RLFs.

Target Audience

500 +/- EDA RLFs operating currently



Primary Activities



RLF Peer-to-Peer Advisory Committee

The team will develop a group of Peer RLFs to work with their RLF colleagues.

Currently accepting nominations for the committee.

Organizational Self- Assessments

The team will create a selfassessment for organizations to identify curriculum per their needs.

Self-assessment will be public in April.



Primary Activities



National RLF Network Development

The team will establish a virtual community for RLFs to have inter-organization conversations, access to topics of interest, and expand their involvement with the broader CDFI industry.

Website will be public in April.

Training and Resources

A curated training program will include topics that cross all organizations.

First cohort will meet in June.



Timeline of Upcoming Events

1st qtr 2023

Begin establishing RLF network organization structure. Launch peer-to-peer nominations.



2nd qtr 2023

Begin initial RLF organization selfassessments. Create initial program workshops and curriculum.

3rd qtr 2023

Launch first cohort training module and virtual RLF network.







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Technology-Based Economic Development

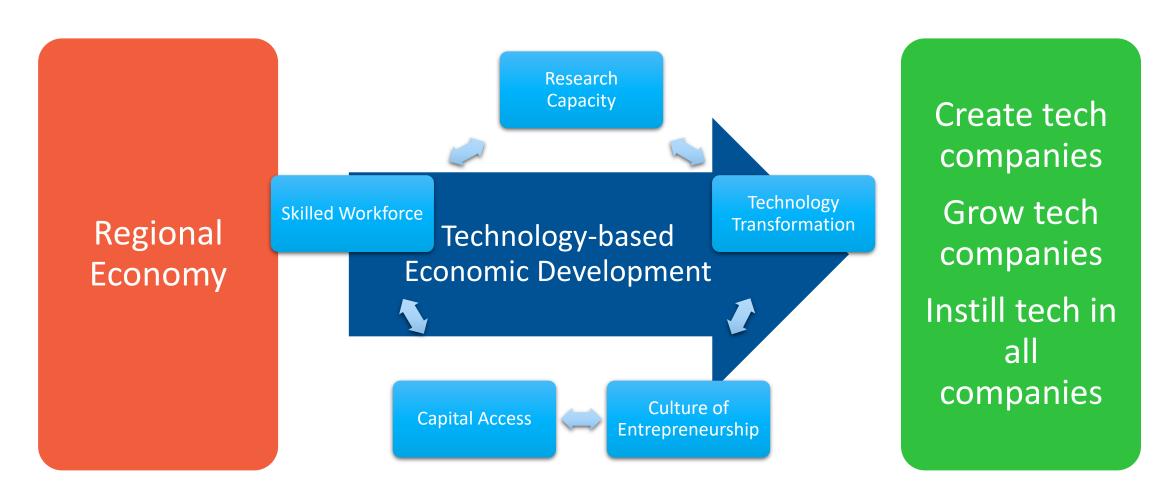


TBED Community of Practice

March 15, 2023

Jason Rittenberg, Vice President, SSTI

What is Tech-based Economic Development?



About SSTI & the TBED Community of Practice

• Our mission: SSTI strengthens initiatives to create a better future through science, technology, innovation and entrepreneurship.

 Project goals: Strengthen EDA awardees during period of performance + better-position for long-term success

• Our audience: State & local governments, non-profits, higher education, federal labs — including all interested EDA awardees



TBED Community of Practice activities

Education

Conferences

Virtual
Meetings &
Webinars

Training Courses

Research

Profiles of successful projects

Innovation data tools

Toolkits & Guides for programs

Technical Assistance

"Hotline" service to answer Qs

Intensive TA projects

Affinity Groups

Peer network / discussion groups

Organize by project type

Organize by target areas

Communications

Public-facing TBED website

Tools & training for grantees



Topics for Economic Development Districts

• My questions:

- ☐ Does your CEDS include science, tech and entrepreneurship strategies?
- ☐ What tech-heavy industries are part of your regional plan?
- ☐ How well are TBED and planning organizations aligned in your region?

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Equity and Economic Inclusion



A knowledge, insight and innovation hub, supporting practitioners to advance inclusive economic growth in their regions by creating greater prosperity for people of color, women and neglected geographies.

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What we learned

EDD/EDOs can approach equity from three different perspectives.

- Organizationally through equity, diversity, and inclusion policies, practices, and statements.
- Planning through embedding considerations in CEDS development and the document.
- Actions in implementing strategies that address inequities and historical barriers.

Organizational Commitment & Capacity

Equity in the CEDS

Strategy and Implementation

Equity in the Process

Equity in the Document





Inclusive Recovery Guide and Toolkit

To share our insights from the Inclusive Recovery Initiative, the Inclusive Recovery Guide and accompanying toolkit provides actionable approaches, resources, and models.

Save the Date



May 10, 2023 1:00pm ET







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