

Lisa Driscoll

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To: Lisa Driscoll
Subject: Email to Measure X Community Advisory Board Members

Dear Measure X Community Advisory Board Members:

Thank you for your volunteer service to our communities through your service on this Advisory Board. I write on behalf of the [Contra Costa County Equitable Economic Recovery Task Force](#) (EERTF), a collaborative group created to identify actions that can be taken to facilitate and accelerate a more equitable economy for Contra Costa County following the COVID-19 pandemic. Our task force has concentrated on an array of issues that impact equitable economic recovery including the critical need for childcare and early learning. In April, we hosted [a half-day convening](#) specifically addressing the role of childcare and early learning in economic mobility. Though the development and eventual passage of Measure X, community members have expressed a commitment to early childhood supports, providers, and systems. The EERTF is hopeful you will honor that commitment with your recommendations to the Board of Supervisors.

The Equitable Economic Recovery Task Force would like to specifically highlight the importance of **funding childcare slots and incentive grants tied to professional development**. These transformational ideas will increase access to care in our community and strengthen the childcare workforce – leading to a more equitable economic recovery in our county. Again, thank you for your service. Please let me know if you have any questions or need any additional information to consider this request.

With gratitude,
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