



Statewide Shared Vision and Action Plan for Climate Change and Health Equity

Input Session for State and Local Health Jurisdiction
Action Steps

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Introductions

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Objective

Learn and share about important actions LHJs can take to address the health and equity impacts of climate change.

Agenda

- Shared Vision and Action Plan – Context, Purpose, and Structure
- Planning Process – External Engagement
- Engagement Findings
- Input Activity
- Next Steps

Creating a Shared Vision and Action Plan (SVAP)

For Climate Change and Health Equity in California

Why a Shared Vision and Action Plan for Climate Change and Health Equity?

“Collaborate with local health departments and communities facing climate and health inequities to develop a shared vision and action plan for protecting health equity and well-being in a changing climate.”



*California Climate Adaptation Strategy,
Priority Partner and Collaborate to Leverage Resources
Goal A, Action 14*

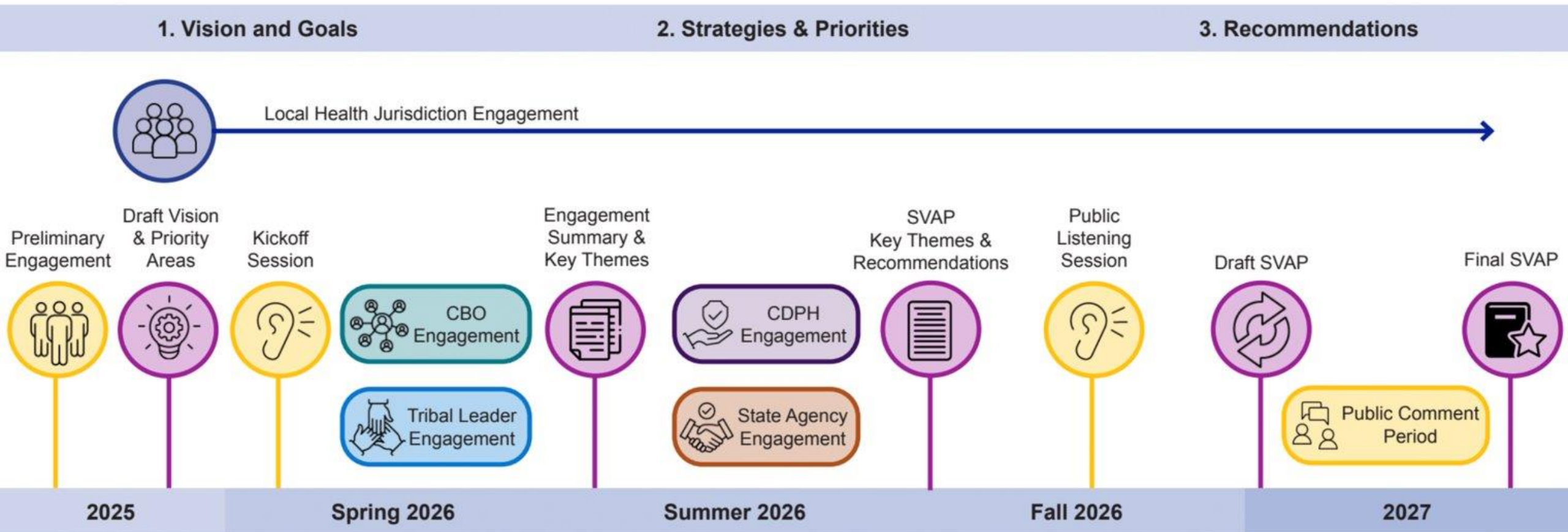
What is the Shared Vision and Action Plan?

- Charts a course of shared voluntary climate and health equity goals and actions for CDPH and LHJs over the next 5-7 years
- Identifies service gaps and opportunities
- Supports the State's transparency and accountability
- Guides what CDPH and LHJs are doing to understand, prevent, and protect Californians from inequitable health impacts of climate change
- Supports regional priorities for climate and health

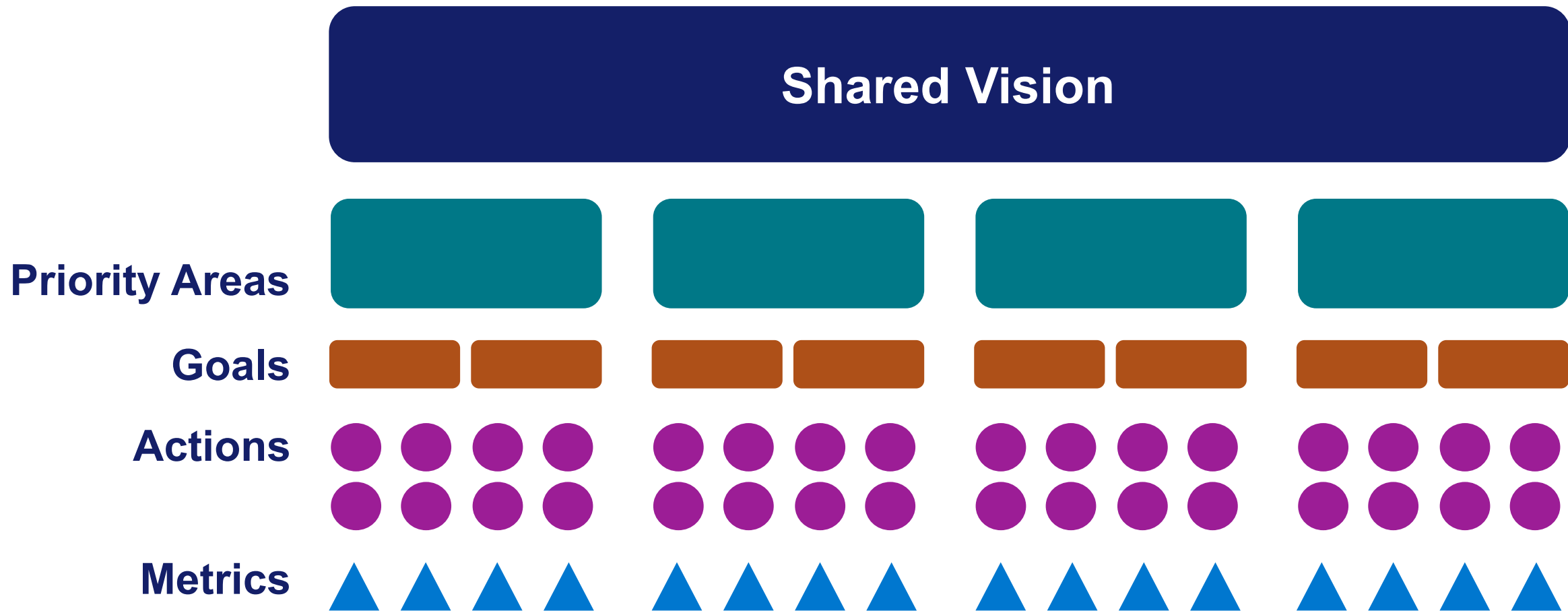
What is it NOT?

- NOT a long-term (20, 30, 40 years) plan
- NOT a national plan—it focuses on CA
- NOT intended to direct the work of Tribes or CBOs—with the input of Tribes and CBOs, it will influence CDPH and local health jurisdictions

The Shared Vision & Action Plan Process

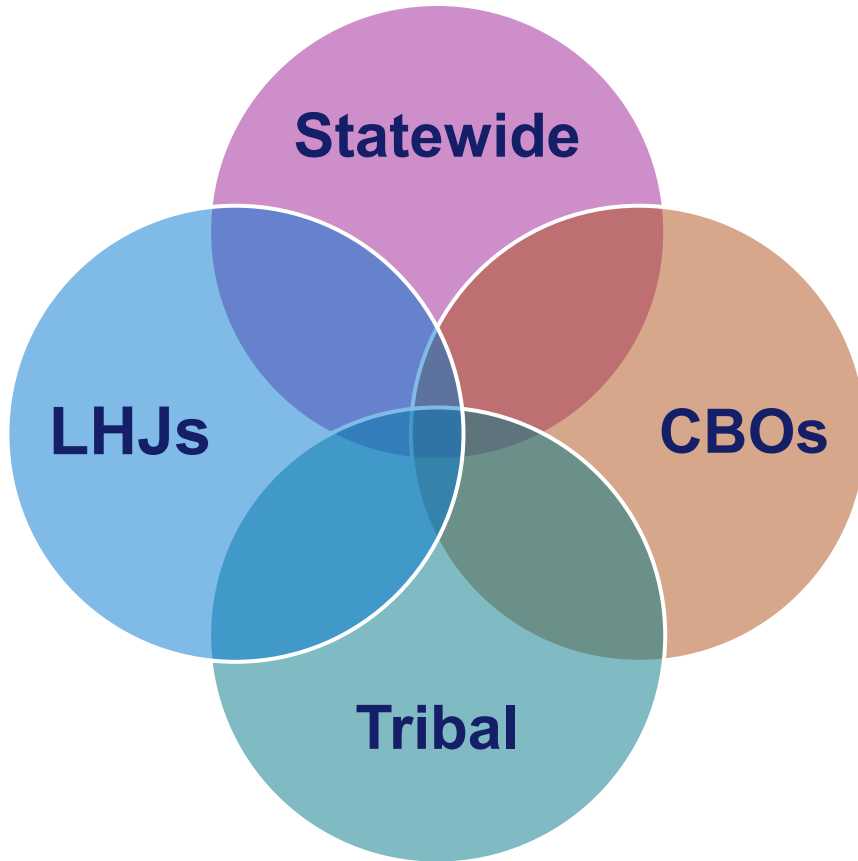


Shared Vision and Action Plan Outline



Engagement Process

Focused and Representative Engagement



Representation

- Asian Pacific Islander
- Tribal
- Rural
- Farmworker
- Youth unequally affected by climate
- Extreme heat vulnerable populations



Engagement Activities Overview



LHJ Engagement

LHJ Climate & Health Community of Practice (CoP)

- 2 whiteboard activities (2025)
- 1 breakout room discussion (2024)
- 1 meeting poll (2024)
- 1 online survey (2024)

Shared Vision and Action Plan Core Strategy Team

- 4 bi-monthly meetings since December 2025



Engagement Findings

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Public Health Climate Functions

#1

**Assessment,
Surveillance &
Research**

Monitor, collect,
and analyze data
to identify impacts
and inequities.

#2

**Communication &
Education**

Educate the
public and
decision-makers
to promote
prevention and
resilience.

#3

**Emergency
Preparedness,
Response &
Recovery**

Provide
emergency
preparedness,
response and
recovery
services.

#4

**Partnership
Development &
Engagement**

Build community
and interagency
partnerships to
advance equitable
policies and
programs.

#5

**Policy
Development &
Support**

Develop and
adopt policies,
plans and
guidelines.

Assessment & Surveillance

What do partners need from CDPH?

Community

- Monitor ER visit data and long-term impacts of climate change on health
- Elevate legitimacy of qualitative data
- Training, technical assistance, and clear guidance on existing dashboards

Tribes

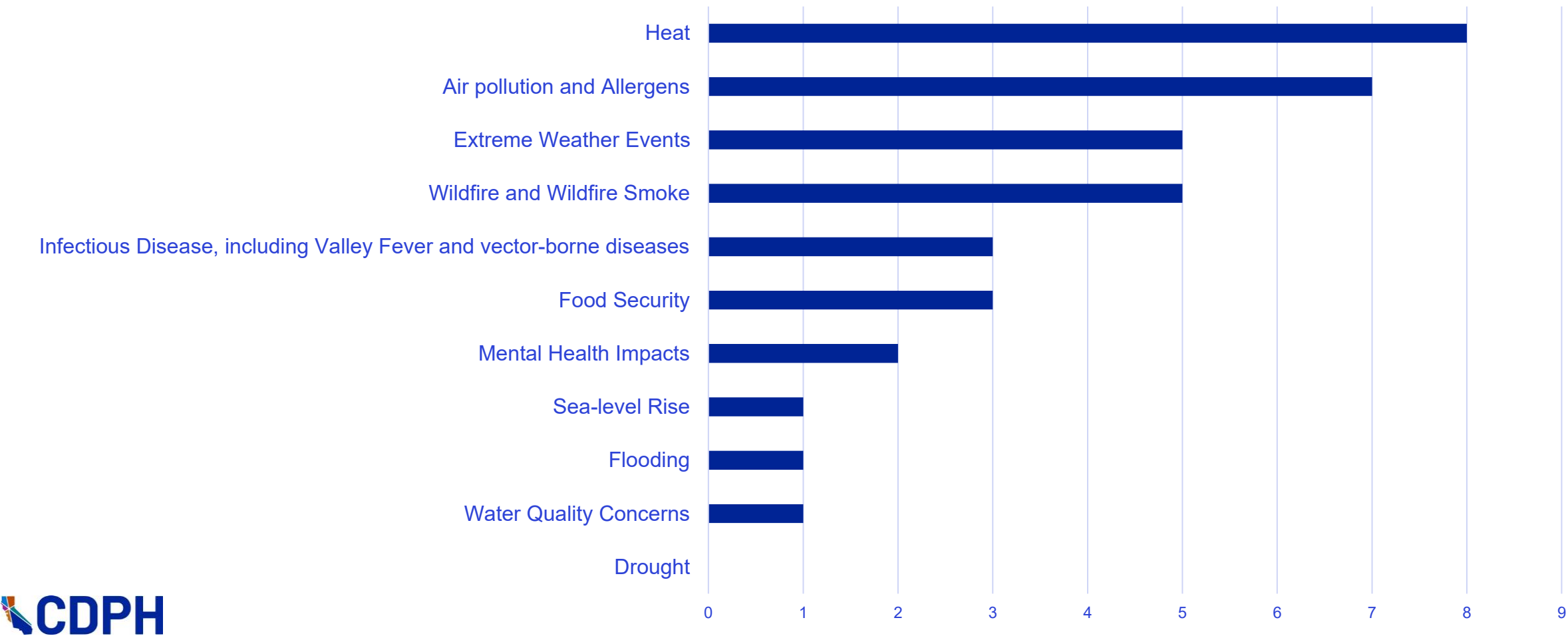
- Access and ownership of health data
- Free, easy access to location-specific climate risk info
- Allotment lands and non-federally recognized Tribal communities visible
- Fill data gaps

LHJs

- Guidance for data use/ analysis
- Best practices
- Evaluation frameworks
- Maintain CCHVIZ tool
- Technical assistance

Hazards and health impacts

LHJs: Select the top 4 climate hazards and health impacts you think CDPH should prioritize to prevent, protect and assess associated health impacts during the next 5 years.



Communication & Education

What do partners need from CDPH?

Community

- Leverage trusted community-hubs as trusted messengers
- Develop culturally responsive communication strategies
- Educate public on health impacts from climate change and fossil fuel industry

Tribes

- Culturally grounded, accessible, and actionable climate and health information
- Leaders have access to compelling, credible community-specific information

LHJs

- How to begin when a county can't say "climate change"
- Framing
- How to apply intersectional issues into health framework
- Make evident public view and support of climate change

Communication & Education

What do partners need from CDPH?

LHJs

- Communication templates
- SME communications support
- Frame public health role in sea level rise and other climate hazards
- Communicate issues statewide, such as fossil fuel industry harms
- Curricula for teaching climate change issues
- Training on:
 - Basics: What is climate change? How is it impacting health?
 - Bite-size pieces of larger resources
 - Trainings for staff, partners outside LHD, community workers

Emergency Prep, Response, & Recovery

What do partners need from CDPH?

Community

- Prioritize prep for extreme heat and coordinate with ongoing efforts
- More community resilience centers and neighborhood hubs
- Formalize role of CBOs as trusted local messengers in emergency prep, response, and recovery

Tribes

- Provide Tribal communities with training, tools, supplies, and interagency connections
- Access to simplified, practical planning tools and sample plans

LHJs

- State-level coordination:
 - Asset mapping: make visible where health shows up in all climate impacts/agencies/emergency services
- Align across Dept:
 - Align work and shared goals in state requirements that LHJs manage

Partnership Development & Engagement

What do partners need from CDPH?

Community

- Convene and coordinate partners on climate and health initiatives
- Engage communities at every stage of an initiative
- Improve coordination across agencies

Tribes

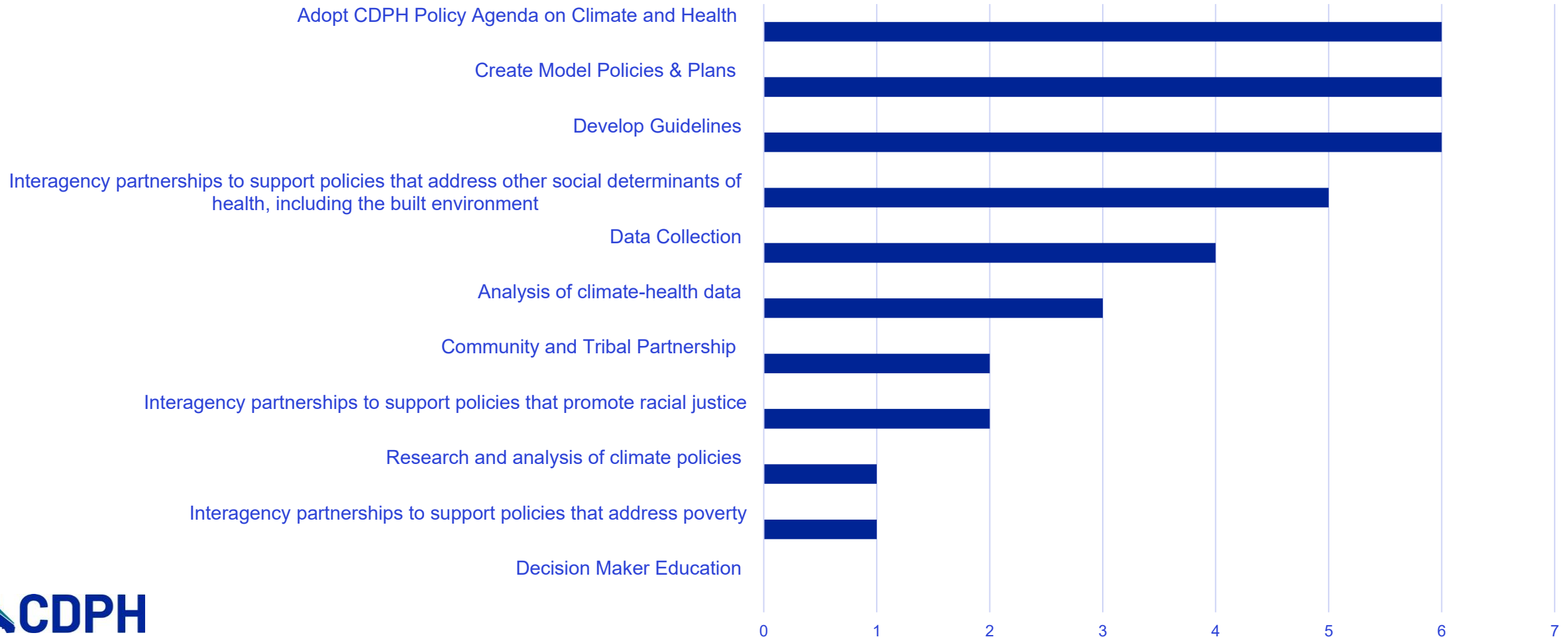
- Named, reliable point of contact at state and county agencies
- Restructure Tribal engagement; make it genuine, reciprocal, compensated
- State and county agency staff who work with Tribes must understand history and legal and cultural framework

LHJs

- Align across the department
 - Connect assessment, deliverables, timelines
- Coordinate at the State-level
 - Advocate for equity approach
 - Asset mapping
 - Learning and cross-collaboration with CalEPA

Policy Development

LHJs: Select the 4 actions you would like to see CDPH prioritize in the next 5 years to advance policies that address climate-health impacts.



Program Development

What do LHJs need from CDPH?

- Shelf ready goals, objectives, and plans that can be dropped into a plan
- Regional roadmaps
- Develop standardized frameworks for evaluating the effectiveness of climate health interventions at the local level
- Develop public-health specific built environment guidance
- Elevate best practices and make them easier to find
- Continue providing tools and resources
- Encouraging integration of climate health into public health programs
- Model integration of climate into public health programs
- Reinforce the importance/urgency of climate change to LHJ leaders

Funding

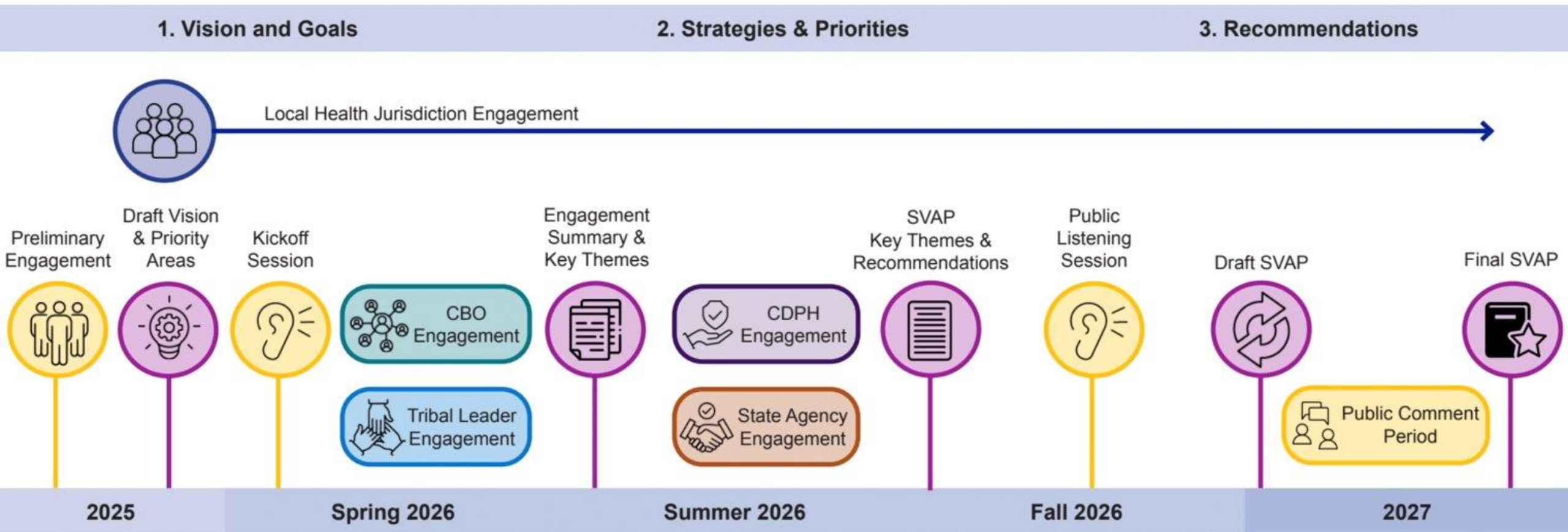
What do LHJs need from CDPH?

- Across all grants that CDPH administers, make it clear in guidance that they should be working with climate change (e.g., Cal Fresh)
- Resources for how to identify and apply to funding
- Provide grant writing support

Input Activity

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The Shared Vision & Action Plan Process



Documenting and celebrating local work



Climate and Health in Practice: Success Stories from California LHJs

- **Madera:** Community Resilience Center
- **Marin:** Community Resilience Teams
- **Monterey:** Syndromic Surveillance and Occupational Health
- **Sacramento:** Vehicle Emissions Reduction
- **San Bernadino:** Healthy Communities Initiative
- **Santa Clara:** HAQR/Climate Resilience Leadership Academy
- **Trinity:** Heat and Air Quality Resilience
- **Tulare:** Emergency Preparedness and Response

Thank you!

- Read the full engagement summary
- For general info about the plan, visit:
<https://www.cdph.ca.gov/Programs/OHE/Pages/Climate-Health-Equity/SVAP.aspx>
- Sign up to receive email updates on the Shared Vision & Action Plan (link in chat)
- Contact Elizabeth.Rhoades@cdph.ca.gov or Kenna.Lee@cdph.ca.gov with any questions

