# Los Angeles Region

# Community Advisor Survey Dashboard

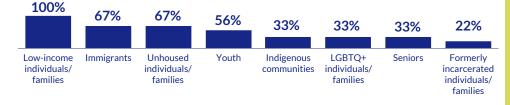


This dashboard shares information gathered from a survey conducted with F4ICA Community Advisors between January and March of 2022. The Log Angeles Community Advisors that participated in the survey are listed below. The data included in this dashboard aggregates the responses of the Community Advisors that participated in the survey.



# **Reach of Community Advisors**

Communities Served by Community Advisors

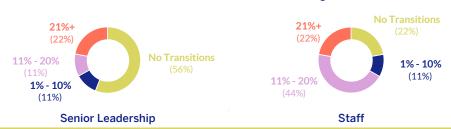


# Community Advisors serve communities that are the most vulnerable to unjust housing practices and policies.

- All Community Advisors in the Los Angeles region reported serving low-income individuals.
- Around two-thirds of Community Advisors also serve immigrants and unhoused families and individuals in their communities.

# **Organizational Transitions**

#### Transitions Across Different Levels of the Organizations



Community Advisors reported the largest proportion of transitions occurred at the staff level with fewer transitions at the senior leadership level.

- More than half of the organizations (56%) did not have any transitions at the senior leadership level.
- At the staff level, 44% of organizations experienced between 11% and 20% of transitions and 22% experienced more than 20% of transitions.

# Impact of Transitions on Organizations

"Our transitions have primarily occurred at the program level. This has impacted our ability to provide direct services to our stakeholders. Relationships stakeholders have with staff are important."

"Staff transitions are always disruptive for our programming. Whether a person leaves on their own or their employment is terminated, there is more often than not a period before and after the departure during which the quality and/or quantity of work falls. This has an impact on our programs and operations and on other staff especially senior staff who need to pick up the additional work at least temporarily."

-Community Advisors

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## Strategies for Systemic & Transformative Change\*

\*Data gathered from 2022 F4ICA database

#### Community Driven Policies

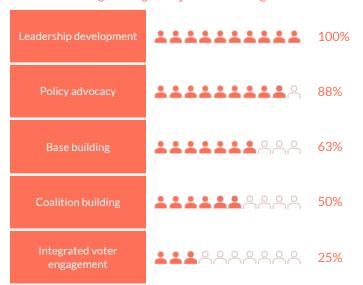


The top three community driven policies that Community Advisors in the

Log Angeles region focus on are (1) community planning, (2) preservation of

affordable housing, and (3) community stabilizing policies.

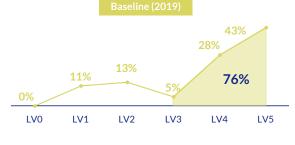
#### Organizing Component Strategies

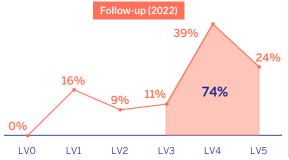


Leadership development, policy advocacy, and base building are the most common organizing strategies used by Los Angeles Community Advisors to produce systemic and transformative change in the region.

### Partnerships Among Community Advisors

### Social Network Analysis\*





#### Social Network Analysis Scale Defined

#### **Level 0: No Interaction**

#### Level 1: Networking

#### Level 2: Cooperation

#### **Level 3: Coordination**

Share ideas; share resources; frequent and prioritized communication; all members have a say in the decision-making process

### **Level 4: Coordination**

#### **Level 5: Collaboration**

### Impact of the Partnerships Developed

"F4ICA has created the space and encouraged the conversations necessary to think about big-picture collaborations for systemic change."

"[F4IICA] strengthened our collaboration with allied organizations and expanded [our] coalition and cross-coalition work."

-Community Advisors

\*The Levels of Collaboration Scale was developed by Frey, B. B., Lohmeier, J. H., Lee, S. W., Tollefson, N. and Johanning, M. L. (2004). Measuring change in collaboration among school safety partners. Persistently Safe Schools: Proceedings of the National Conference of the Hamilton Fish Institute on School and Community Violence, George Washington University, Washington, DC.

Community Advisors in the Los Angeles region came into the F4ICA with a strong network and established relationships.

• Community Advisors' interactions at the coalition, coordination, and cooperation levels (levels 3-5) remained relatively steady from 76% in 2019 to 74% in 2022

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### Impact of F4ICA Funding and Support

### Community Advisors who Strongly Agree or Agree

Increased our capacity to effectively develop, pass, and implement policy 67% changes that expand housing justice and equitable develoment strategies. Helped our our organization be recognized as a trusted organization by 56% philanthropic institutions 44% Helped increase the advocacy skills of base members Helped shift the narrative in our region about housing justice and 44% equitable development 67% Increased the organizing capacity of the local communities we work with 33% 33% 67% Expanded the number of members that took leadershipe roles 33% 67% Established new or deepened our relationships with funding institutions Developed, maintained, or strengthened our relationships with local, 22% regional, or state public officials Increased our base membership 33%

Strongly Agree

#### **REGIONAL PRIORITIES\***

- Increase organizing infrastructure in five regions outside City of Los Angeles to advance policy wins and effective implementation of recent housing justice victories - Glendale, Pasadena, Long Beach, Pomona and Inglewood.
- Strengthen the organizing infra -structure of core organizations that are advancing effective local and regional policy wins that Protect, Preserve, and Produce affordable housing, protect tenants, and explore community-driven development models.
- Strengthen regional and statewide collaboration to build a stronger regional housing justice agenda that is well positioned to influence statewide policy.
- Strengthen regional housing narrative rooted in a shared racial justice analysis a framework focused on the fact that communities of color are disproportionally impacted/disenfran -chised and should have the right to choose the community they want to live in free from racial discrimination.

\*Regional priorities were co-designed with Los Angeles Community Advisors in 2018.

Funding from the F4ICA has helped Community Advisors in the Los Angeles region increase their capacity to effectively develop, pass, and implement policy changes that expand housing justice and equitable development.

- While all Community Advisors agreed that the funding has helped most of the areas above, most Commuity Advisors strongly agreed that the funding has helped their organizations increase their capacity for policy changes to expand housing justice.
- Community Advisors reported that the funding and support received from the F4ICA has been the least helpful in increasing their base membership.

Agree

#### Contributions of the F4ICA

"[F4ICA] increased our visibility with other key funders, supported the expansion of our community organizing/base building work, gave staff the opportunity to focus on developing a vision and workplan for this important work without the pressure of only peripherally related deliverables – as is the case with other funding opportunities."

"F4ICA plays a key role in our ecosystem because it convenes partners regionally and statewide for cross-movement conversations and understands that for our collective work to move forward effectively, support is needed for individual organizations and for shared coalition work. We greatly appreciate that the F4ICA trusts all the partners to prioritize base-building and systems change."

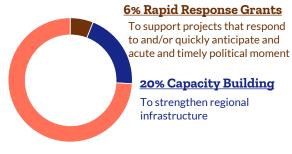
"In Los Angeles, the sustained support [from the F4ICA] for decommodifying housing has been a game changer and has aligned our regional movement around a bold common vision."

-Community Advisors



### 74% Core Support

Multi-year core operating support grants to strengthen the capacity of core organizations, coalitions and alliances



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