

## **Appendix C: Brief Examples of Local-Regional Shared Services**

Below are some brief highlights of different service delivery and governance combinations used by other local governments and councils of governments. Attachment F of this staff item also includes information about what services are offered by other councils of governments and metropolitan planning organizations. Next year, SACOG staff will bring forward more information on successful shared service efforts to the Ad Hoc Committee.

### *Association of Bay Area Governments (ABAG)*

- ABAG operates many affiliates, including nonprofits and Joint Powers Authorities
- All are staffed by ABAG (billed to the separate entity)
- All are governed by boards comprised of participating jurisdictions; each has one seat (staff are appointed)
- Their joint insurance pool has cumulatively returned \$20 million in rebates to members over 20 years

### *San Mateo City/County Association of Governments (C/CAG)*

- Existing Council of Government to provide county-specific services (i.e., outside of ABAG)
- Travel modeling shared with Santa Clara County (VTA). Free service for member jurisdictions; private entities charged \$2,000 for use.

### *Sacramento Public Agency Consortium (SAC PAC)*

- SAC PAC exists to give vendors one-stop information about public contracting opportunities
- Members include cities, counties, local agencies, state agencies, chambers of commerce, and nonprofits
- Participating agencies are required to provide in-kind staff time, but there are no direct costs assessed

### *Ohio Shared Services*

- State government shares centralized administration, financial services, human resources, and technology services across all departments.
- 15-20 percent improvement in productivity
- \$26 million in average annual savings (approximately 10% of the state's \$26 billion operating budget)

### *Santa Clarita Library System*

- Council decided to leave LA County Library System
- Contracted with a private company to run three libraries
- City Council serves as library board of trustees
- Annual savings of approximately \$300,000 (cost for city-provided services: \$5.1 million; contract amount: \$3.8 million; city budget for library materials: \$1 million)
- City management believes it is consistent with their functions as a contract city

*Sutter Animal Services JPA*

- Sutter County, Live Oak and Yuba City decided to form a separate JPA to build a shelter and provide services
- Yuba City will become the lead agency as well as the employing agency for animal control services personnel
- Decisions about the level and nature of animal care services will become the responsibility of the SASA Board of Directors, which will be comprised of two members from each jurisdiction