



**Government Relations and Public
Affairs Committee**
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Subject: Civic Lab Year One Update (Est. time: 5 minutes)

Information

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Attachments: No

1. Issue:

The first year of Civic Lab workshops is complete. A few pilots have launched, while others are finalizing plans and contracts. Staff will provide an overview of the first year of Civic Lab, a status report on the projects, and any lessons learned to carry into the second year of the program.

2. Recommendation:

None, this is for information only.

3. Background/Analysis:

There were nine project teams selected to participate in the inaugural year of Civic Lab, with eight of those teams participating in the workshops. Teams dove into their mobility challenges by identifying issues and barriers, and worked with selected vendors to come up with innovative solutions to their challenges. Through the workshops, teams created a scope, schedule, and budget with their selected vendor to launch a pilot. SACOG allocated \$1 million dollars to help fund these projects, and worked with partner agencies to secure additional funds needed to initiate the pilots. This includes funding from the Sacramento Transportation Authority for the Youth to Jobs and Franklin Boulevard Microtransit projects.

4. Discussion/Analysis:

In summary:

- Two of the Civic Lab projects have initiated work on their pilots, with one of these projects testing with vehicles.
- Three projects have selected a vendor and are finalizing contracts.
- One project is initiating a pilot this fall, in conjunction with partner agencies.
- Two projects have been placed on temporary hold due to staffing issues.

SACOG staff will continue to work with the Civic Lab teams, providing technical assistance

and contracting support. SACOG will collect data from the pilots as available, and provide an analysis on the use of these new mobility solutions.

5. Fiscal Impact/Grant Information:

The SACOG budget included \$394,000 for staff, consultant, and logistics for the first year of Civic Lab, plus the \$1 million dollars in funding for the pilots. The program came in under budget, spending \$272,000 on related costs. Staff anticipates spending the full \$1 million on the pilots, with some funding not available until February 2019. All funds will be programmed by July 2019.

6. This staff report aligns with the following SACOG Work Plan Goals:

5. Establish the Sacramento Region as an Innovator and Test-Bed for New Ideas