

**Equity Advisory Group –  
Equity Lens Session**

Meeting Date: December 16, 2022  
 Time: 7:30am – 9:00am  
 Location: Zoom Meeting

**Attendees:**

<b>Facilitator:</b>	<b>EAG Members:</b>
	<i>Claire Trapp</i>
<b>Avista:</b>	<i>Clyde Abrahamson</i>
<i>Tamara Bradley</i>	<i>Tami Dillon</i>
<i>Amanda Ghering</i>	<i>Amber Morgan</i>
<i>Kelly Dengel</i>	<i>Larry Mattson</i>
	<i>Margee C</i>
	<i>Vanessa strange</i>
	<i>Will von Bracht</i>
	<i>Brook Beeler</i>
	<i>Carmen Groom</i>
	<b>Guests:</b>
	<i>Shay Bauman – Public Council</i>

**Agenda**

- I. Welcome & Introductions
  - Overview of Meeting: Rules and Intent
- II. EAG Member Spotlight
- III. NCIF Brainstorming Session
- IV. Your Support Team and Next Meeting

**Facilitator**

Amber Lenhart  
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**Meeting Notes**

**Welcome & Introductions**

Introductions and Meeting Rules and Intent and review of today’s agenda.

**EAG Member Spotlight**

Jupiter is self-employed and teaches independent living skills to autistic teens.

**NCIF Brainstorming**

How we define successful projects: measurable results, breaking barriers, community focused, and has shared “indicators: to promote coordinated data collection and sharing between agencies.

Eligible projects: directly benefits names communities, are sustainable, and within budget and meet scope. Must be an energy efficiency project.

Provided members with a few minutes to think of ideas and write them down. Evidenced base, low cost, out of the box ideas, where do we need to learn more and what can we add to the data agenda?

In 2023 we take all project ideas from each EAG session and plug them into our agreed upon matrix. We will group all the ideas and get them to you ahead of time to review prior to our January meeting. We will also be discussing the public participation plan that P3 has been helping us to develop.

#### EAG Member Project ideas:

- Transportation electrification
- Tree canopies
- Add solar to schools
- Replace heating and cooling options for customers
- Mobile homes who pay to rent their lot, can we upgrade the land and purchase that land and have a huge expansion on weatherization for their mobile homes
- Install energy efficient appliances in homes, school, CBOs
- E-bike trails/systems
- Raise poverty level to 400% to capture more of the working poor and not just the poorest
- Increase rebate amounts for appliances
- Provide secondary heat sources for multi-family units and single-family homes
- Funding for weatherizing or repairing the shelter being used to house camp hope residents
- Micro grid project with battery backup for housing campus site with the tribe and we have enough funding for 3 building, but would like to include the 12 units for senior housing
- Energy efficiency improvements for low income in multi-unit buildings so heating and cooling costs are reduced. Landlords tend to increase their rent to afford the upgrades, how might we maintain the rent costs while upgrading?
- Upgrade EE in schools and teach student about the efforts
- Ride share for rural communities using EV or hybrid vehicles (SNAP just started a Resource Rides program- rides to Dr and shopping)
- EV checkout at the library/school/churches
- Department of transportation is looking at doing a trip reduction program in rural areas, they need funding for this initiative so maybe we can contribute funds for this?
- Heat blankets for elderly
- Battery operated lightbulbs so light still work in an outage without having to find candles, flashlights, etc.,
- Homeless that hang out in libraries, they charge their phones but if they walk away, it can get stolen, maybe we could provide cellphone charging lockers that allow people to lock their device up and come back.
- Native shade trees
- Distributed solar/battery set up

- Energy efficiency- partner with existing service providers such as SNAP, skilskin, schools etc., and provide training
- Gonzaga did a big study on shade trees and heat domes, use that data to guide where in Spokane may need shade trees (how will they get watered? That will need to be addressed if we go this route)

### Wrap Up

Thank you all for your wonderful ideas, please feel free to send us any additional ideas.

Reminder of upcoming meetings on January 18<sup>th</sup> and 20<sup>th</sup>