

California Partnership for Working Families

(Los Angeles, CA)

General Support

Total Award: \$200,000 over 1 year

For general support to create institutional accountability for the environmental, economic and community impacts of publicly subsidized economic development projects in California. The California Partnership for Working Families (CPWF) is a statewide organization comprised of four organizations: the Center on Policy Initiatives, the East Bay Alliance for a Sustainable Economy (EBASE), the Los Angeles Alliance for a New Economy (LAANE), and Working Partnerships, USA. Their combined strategy is to bring economic and environmental justice organizations together to create strong community and statewide coalitions that can hold corporate and governmental institutions accountable for guaranteeing the environmental and economic benefits that are typically promised, but rarely delivered when taxpayers are asked to subsidize private development projects. With NCF support the Partnership is building the institutional capacity needed to organize communities and to bring public and corporate officials to the table to negotiate community benefit agreements. The Partnership and the coalitions it is forming will partner with developers and policy makers to secure agreements that guarantee quality jobs and health benefits while preserving and ensuring environmental quality in each of the regions in which they are operating.

Program Contribution Breakdown:

\$100,000 Environment Program: *Objective II, Strategies 1 & 2*

\$100,000 Interprogram Initiatives for Social and Economic Justice: *Objectives I & II*