Meeting of the
Council of Business Sponsors
August 21, 2020, 11:00 a.m. to 12:45 p.m.

Looking Forward: COVID-19 Inclusive Recovery and Beyond

11:00 Welcome, Introductions, and Goals of the Meeting
Ashley Swearengin – CEO of Central Valley Community Foundation

11:10 State / Regional / Local Recovery Efforts

- Governor’s Task Force on Business and Jobs Recovery
  Chris Dombrowski – Acting Director of Governor’s Office of Business & Economic Development (GO-Biz)

- State Entrepreneurship Task Force / Silicon Valley Economic Recovery & Resilience Council
  Dilawar Syed, CEO, Lumiata

- Fresno Region Priorities
  Honorable Jerry Dyer, Mayor-Elect, City of Fresno
  Tommy Esqueda, San Joaquin Valley Blueprint

11:50 Race Equity and Economic Inclusion in the Era of COVID

- Equity and Inclusion: Data Analysis to Help Inform the DRIVE Initiative Post-COVID
  Tina Stacy, Economist, Urban Institute

- Operationalizing Race Equity in Economic Development - the Fresno DRIVE Initiative’s Theory of Change
  Geri Yang Johnson, Wells Fargo, DRIVE Race Equity Committee, CBS Member

12:30 Fresno DRIVE Updates – Economic Development Initiatives

- Second Office
  Will Oliver, Fresno Economic Development Corporation

- Betting Big on Small Business Owned by Women and People of Color
  Tara Gray, Fresno Metro Black Chamber of Commerce

- Fresno – Merced Food Innovation Corridor (F3)
  Ashley Swearengin, CVCF

12:45 Adjournment