



April 1, 2021

INFORMATION  ACTION

**SUBJECT: DISCUSSION TO INFORM THE STRATEGIC DIRECTION OF FIRST 5 CALIFORNIA AND BUILD RELATIONSHIPS THAT SUPPORT FUTURE ACTIONS**

**SUMMARY OF THE ISSUE**

The Retreat will provide an opportunity for Commissioners to inform the strategic direction of First 5 California (F5CA) and build relationships that support future actions.

As such, the objectives of the Retreat include the following:

1. Build an understanding of, and contribute to refining, goals and expectations for 2021 and beyond.
2. Build relationships among Commissioners and staff that will support ongoing collaboration and alignment.

In a conversation facilitated by Jannelle Kubinec, Chief Administrative Officer at WestEd, Commissioners will be invited to share the following:

- What do you care about and why?
- What motivates your involvement with F5CA?

F5CA staff will present an overview of current projects within the Strategic Plan. This will include F5CA's strategic areas, goals, and planned activities. The Retreat provides the Commissioners an opportunity to share input and provide guidance to staff regarding the implementation of the Strategic Plan. Through sharing their thoughts and ideas, Commissioners and staff will contribute to identifying goals, priorities, and expectations for 2021–22, and discuss what areas of the Strategic Plan are the highest priority. Commissioners will be invited to share their hopes and expectations for how F5CA will know it is having an impact, and what will be different in the next one to three years. Additionally, Commissioners will discuss how they will work with each other and staff to address goals, priorities, and expectations.

## **SUMMARY OF PREVIOUS COMMISSION DISCUSSION AND ACTION**

The Commission met in April 2019 to approve the current 2019–2024 Strategic Plan. With previous strategic plans, the Commission has come back at various points during the lifetime of those plans in order to assess the direction and to provide input to F5CA staff on what projects or efforts they would like to see moving forward. Like the June 22, 2020, Budget Retreat, the April 1, 2021, Retreat could act in a similar manner to provide Commissioners an opportunity to discuss the current Strategic Plan and the state of F5CA's programs, as well as provide staff with input on how to meet the goals of the Plan and suggest future investments for the remainder of 2021 and beyond.

## **ATTACHMENTS**

- A. First 5 California Investments
- B. First 5 California Strategic Plan 2019–24