

Headquarters–Active Transportation and Livable Communities (ATLC) Committee Workshop

Project Summary

Caltrans headquarters requested MIG's assistance to provide graphic recording services for the Active Transportation and Livable Communities (ATLC) Workshop on April 20, 2007 in Sacramento. MIG assisted the facilitator and helped create a visual record of the meeting's proceedings. The meeting provided an opportunity for Caltrans and external stakeholders to discuss ways to improve collaboration on methods for improving mobility and community livability. The meeting featured use of the "World Café" and graphic recording methods.



Outreach Methods

- Targeted stakeholder outreach: phone, letter and e-mail invitations



Public Involvement Tools

"World Café"

The "World Café" is a method for hosting conversations about questions that matter to a specific group. These conversations link and build on each other as people move between groups, cross-pollinate ideas, and discover new insights into the questions or issues that are most important in their life, work, or community. As a process, the "World Café" can evoke and make visible the collective intelligence of any group; thus, increasing people's capacity for effective action in pursuit of common aims.

Graphic Recording

Graphic recording is a hallmark of MIG meeting facilitation in which workshop comments are recorded with colored markers on a large sheet of paper. This method allows participants to see that their comments have been noted, it serves as a useful tool to guide the conversation, and it provides a formal record of the meeting.

Small Group Exercises

Small group exercises allowed participants to provide feedback on transportation improvement scenarios by making use of aerial photographs and graphic game pieces depicting various improvement options.

Environmental Justice Community Involvement

Targeted invitations ensure participation from these groups or their representatives. Organizations representing housing, air quality, health, and environmental issues were active participants in this meeting.



Lessons Learned

The format of the "World Café" is useful for brainstorming issues and solutions, while building a sense of common purpose among diverse stakeholders. Graphic recording helps participants visualize emerging themes and areas for further exploration.



Results

- Improved partnerships
- Goals for collaboration



Deliverables

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