Sacramento Promise Zone
Second Round

Lead Organization:
Sacramento Housing and Redevelopment Agency

Population:
127,893

Poverty Rate:
34.39%

Unemployment Rate:
18.14%

Key Partners:
City of Sacramento, County of Sacramento, Sacramento Employment and Training Agency, Sierra Health Foundation, University of California-Davis, United Way CA Capital Region, Sacramento ACT, Twin Rivers Unified School District, California Capital Financial Development Corporation

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The Sacramento Promise Zone encompasses some of the economically hardest-hit neighborhoods in the city – from Del Paso Heights in the North Area to The Avenues in the South County. More than 30% of residents in the Promise Zone have yet to achieve a High School diploma or GED. Nearly a quarter of the residents are foreign born with limited English proficiency. The Promise Zone has alarmingly high unemployment and mortality rates.

As the lead applicant, the Sacramento Housing and Redevelopment Agency, in partnership with key partners, will work to coordinate resources, build capacity and create public-private partnerships to drive area revitalization. The partners have adopted the following five goals to improve the quality of life and accelerate revitalization.

• Create Jobs
• Increase Economic Activity
• Improve Educational Opportunities
• Improve Health and Wellness
• Facilitate Neighborhood Revitalization

“The City of Sacramento and our partners are committed to pursuing opportunities that will support the goals of the Promise Zone. As the Capitol City of California, our goal is to be a model city for the region and state. The designation presents an extraordinary opportunity for the Promise Zone neighborhoods and the region.”

Kevin Johnson, Sacramento Mayor