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Project Narrative

In August, CGIA entered into contract with Michael Baker Corporation to lead the implementation of the strategic planning process. To date, we have completed the follow tasks related to developing the Phase 2 Strategic Planning project associated with California's regional groups: 1) kick-off meeting in August, 2) updated the regional directory (<http://www.cgia.org/regional-directory.htm>); and 3) developed and conducted online survey of 16 regional groups as part of the current situation analysis.

Next Steps

Our next step is to conduct seven workshops with regional groups to obtain additional information associated with the "situation analysis." In addition, organizational and data/technology requirements will be identified during these regional strategic planning workshops.

Attachments

A detailed report from the contractor, Michael Baker Corporation, is attached.

Feedback on Cooperative Agreements Program

Given the budget constraint and the geographic size of California, we are only able to hold meetings in seven of the 16 regions within the state. For a state the geographic size of California, we actually needed a \$100,000 grant so that the other regional groups could have an on-site workshop session near their locations.