## Post COVID-19 Economic Development Toolkit



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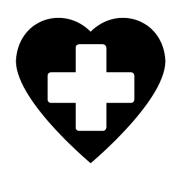
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# SERVICES OVERVIEW





# THE COVID-19 CHALLENGE THE SEISMIC IMPACT OF A GLOBAL CRISIS



Public Health & Social Need

**Response** needed for healthcare systems & social services



Economic Pressures

Relief needed for business closures, unemployment, delayed economic activity, & modified business models



#### Governmental Strain

**Recovery** needed for cities facing increasing costs, declining tax revenues, and uncertain long-term vitality.



# HOW DO WE CLIMB OUT OF THIS CRISIS? FORGING A PATH FORWARD

#### **Flexibility**

**Reliable Information** 

Safety & Empathy

#### **Cleanliness**

**Health / Wellness** 



#### **Comfort / Confidence**

Reconfiguration

Support

Planning

Adaptability



# **EMERGING WITH STRENGTH**

Today	Tomorrow
Cash flow management, revenue watch maximize return, minimize outflow	Leverage grant funds and public assets to induce private sector investment
Flexible zoning / permitting fast & adaptable/ results driven	Reprioritize capital projects, embrace tech & install procedural improvements
Convene local stakeholders & identify their needs expand public / private interaction	Use low interest rates for value-add refunding/ refinancing for econ development and pension fund liabilities
Make best case for state/federal/nonprofit funds. Keep projects moving & improve staff resources	Focus on blended use projects to meet changing residential & commercial needs
Preserve Cash and Build Revenues	Make/Induce Investments for Sustained Recovery/Resiliency



## LAND USE REVOLUTION

Retail	Online & Omnichannel & Outdoors ; Essentials & Experience; Health & Wellness	
Industrial	Warehouse & Logistics; Infill Industrial; Onshore Manufacturing	
Hospitality	Hotel Reshuffling; Business vs. Leisure; Conversions to other uses	
Office	Work-from-Home factor; Six Foot Office; Co-working challenged	
Residential	Redesign for living, working, amenities; 'Surban' & Medium-density	



## PUBLIC INVESTMENT IN THE DIGITAL ECONOMY FOCUS ON PLACE, NOT SPACE ACCELERATED BY COVID-19



Blended Uses & Spaces Design-forward Shared Authentic Engaging



"Redefining space. We still talk about real estate in categories (*multifamily, office, retail, industrial, etc.*). Those terms are increasingly irrelevant as historical categories continue to merge, especially in urban areas. Retailers and developers are exploring creative new ways to share space efficiently to reflect the new norms and expectations of the sharing economy." – Jim Dillavou, LA Business Journal



## STATE COMMITTED TO SUSTAINABILITY & HOUSING

#### California state government is driving us in two directions, creating new mandates and policy tools:

#### RESILIENCY, SUSTAINABILITY & MOBILITY

Greenhouse gas reduction; zero carbon energy resources by 2045

#### HOUSING

Increasing production and adding higher density supply near transit to combat affordability crisis



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Recent CA Legislative Housing Bills		
SB 828	<b>RHNA Reform Bill</b> – Requires local governments to accommodate 125% of stated housing need rather than 100%.	
2019 session	<ul> <li>~200 housing bills submitted in session</li> <li>~18 housing bills signed: <ul> <li>limiting local control (SB 330), ADUs, funding, Surplus Land Act</li> <li>~\$1.75B in housing funding approved for 2019/20 State Budget</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	
2020 Session	<ul> <li>SB 50 is back (or is it dead?) – continued push for density boost requirement, considering longer time frame to get started</li> <li>Expansion of Tools being considered to stimulate housing production (SB 1389, SB795) (Suspended)</li> <li>SB 1385 – Neighborhood Homes Act – residential development on zoned commercial office / retail spaces</li> </ul>	?



#### **POST-COVID ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT APPROACHES**





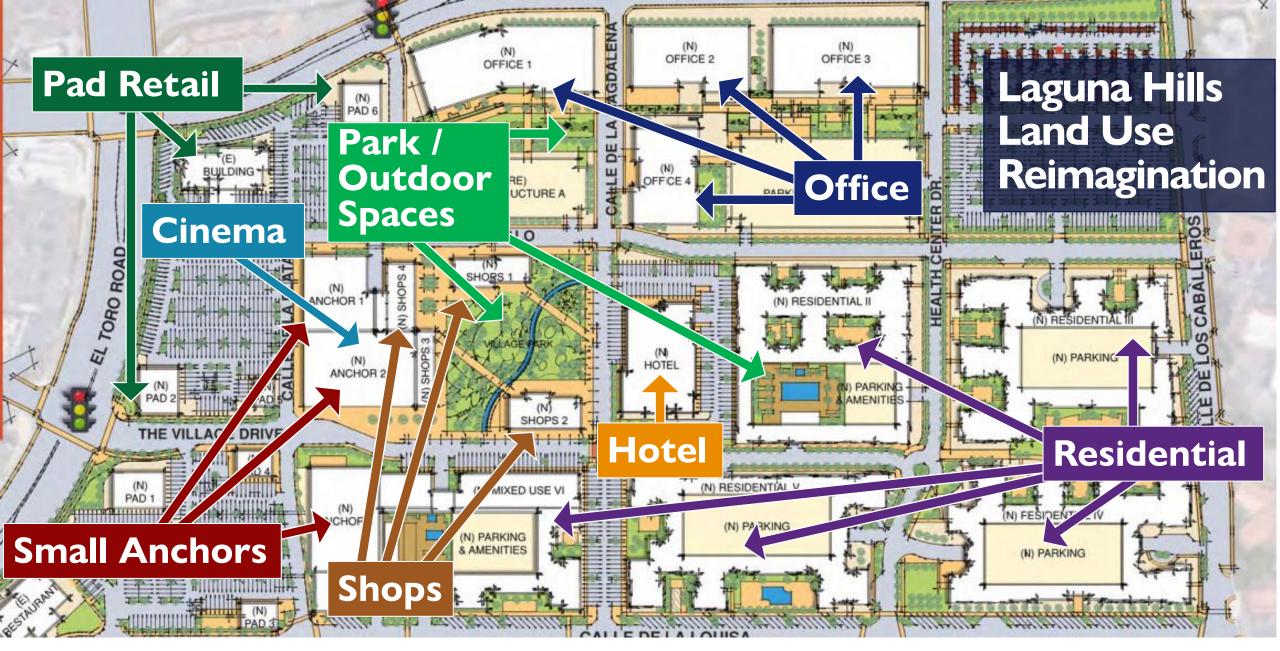
## **ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT TOOLKIT: CASE STUDIES**













## SALES TAX ASSESSMENT REVENUE (STAR\*)®

#### Jurupa Valley Case Study Revenue Replacement with Sales Tax Assessment Revenue (STAR\*)<sup>®</sup>

Loss in retail sales resulting from online / non sales tax generating uses Analyze sales tax potential of opportunity sites & zoning designations Create equivalent General Fund revenue through entitlement document / development agreement (entitlements as currency)



## DEVELOPMENT OPPORTUNITY RESERVE D.O.R.<sup>TM</sup>

#### Buellton Case Study – Avenue of the Flags Density and Community Benefits via (D.O.R.)™

City "manufactures" new Density via Specific Plan / Zoning City reserves new Density in D.O.R. & adopts amenity list City selectively distributes D.O.R. Density for Projects that deliver Amenities & Infrastructure (zoning as currency)



# SPECIAL DISTRICTS ENHANCED INFRASTRUCTURE FINANCING DISTRICTS

#### Placentia Case Study - Enhanced Infrastructure Financing Districts (TIF)

# Placentia



Placentia / Orange County EIFD Partnership

- 300+ acres
- >\$460M expected in new AV from residential, retail, restaurant development
- Net Fiscal Benefit: \$22M to City, \$15M to County
- Will fund streets, sewer, parking, transit connectivity

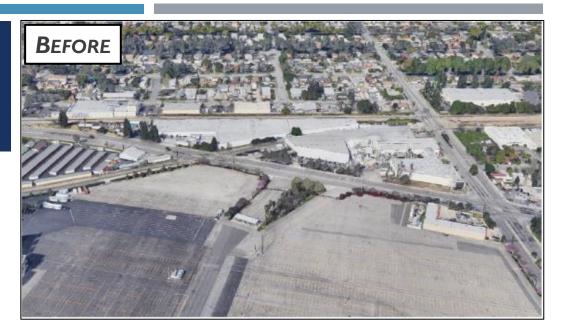
#### **Tax Increment Financing Districts** Leverage assessed value growth to fund infrastructure improvements

- No new taxes
- No public vote required
- Attract EDA, SCAG & other funds for startup



# SPECIAL DISTRICTS LAVERNE EIFD CASE STUDY

- ~110 acres primarily adjacent to La Verne's Old Town Specific Plan Area
- Specific Plan potential development:
  - 2.1m sf mixed use housing, retail, business park, hotel
  - Est. AV (Year 10): \$351 million
  - Annual TI (Year 10): \$700,000/year
- Infrastructure Improvements:
  - Station area improvements, circulation infrastructure next to Foothill station
  - Sustainability improvements to commercial and industrial structures
- <u>Fully adopted on October 30th, 2017</u>: City of La Verne is lead public agency; <u>LA County</u> joined in January 2020





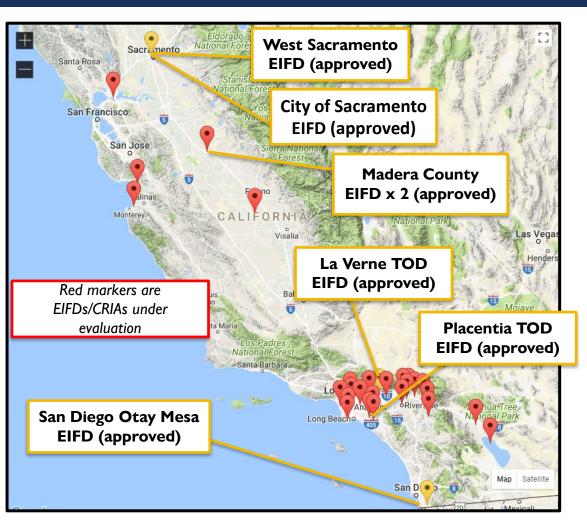


## **TIF DISTRICTS IN PROGRESS**

- 1. Atwater
- 2. Azusa
- 3. Buena Park
- 4. Carson
- 5. Duarte
- 6. El Cajon
- 7. Fresno
- 8. Grand Terrace
- 9. High Desert Corridor (Palmdale, Lancaster, Adelanto, Victorville, Apple Valley)
- I-5 Corridor (Commerce, Downey, La Mirada, Norwalk, Santa Fe Springs)
- 11. Indian Wells
- 12. Imperial County
- 13. Inglewood
- 14. La Verne + L.A. County
- 15. Long Beach
- Los Angeles (San Pedro, Wilmington, Vermont Corridor, LA River)
- 17. Los Angeles County (Unincorporated West Carson)



- 18. Ontario
- Palmdale
   Pittsburg
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- **21. Placentia + Orange County** 22. Redlands / San Bernardino
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- 23. Redondo Beach + L.A. County
- 24. Rialto
- 25. Richmond
- 26. Riverside
- 27. Riverside County
- 28. Sacramento County
- 29. San Jose
- 30. San Luis Obispo
- 31. Santa Ana
- 32. Santa Fe Springs
- 33. Seaside
- 34. South Gate
- 35. St. Helena
- 36. West Santa Ana Branch Transit Corridor



# FINANCING TOOLS REFINANCING, PENSION OBLIGATION BONDS

#### **Carson Case Study - Pension Obligation Bond Refinancing**



#### Carson POB

- Pension Obligation Bonds validated
- Rating: AA-
- Sold 108.2M in POBs @ ~3.4% (TIC)
- Savings: ~\$40 million budget relief

Pension Obligation Bonds & Other Financing Strategies Leverage low rates to reduce debt costs

<u>POBs</u>: Refinance CalPERS Unfunded Accrued Liability (UAL) to lower payments, find savings, and create capacity for new projects



## LAND USE RECOVERY TOOLS IN ACTION

Land Use Reimagination	Laguna Hills, Santa Barbara, Santa Clarita
Development Opportunity Reserve (D.O.R. <sup>TM</sup> )	Buellton, Burbank, El Monte
Sales Tax Assessment Revenue (STAR*®)	Jurupa Valley
Special Districts: EIFD, CRIA, CFD	Placentia, La Verne, Carson, Redondo Beach
Financing: POBs, Refunding, P3	Carson (POB), Oxnard (P3 Fire Station), Merced (Refunding)

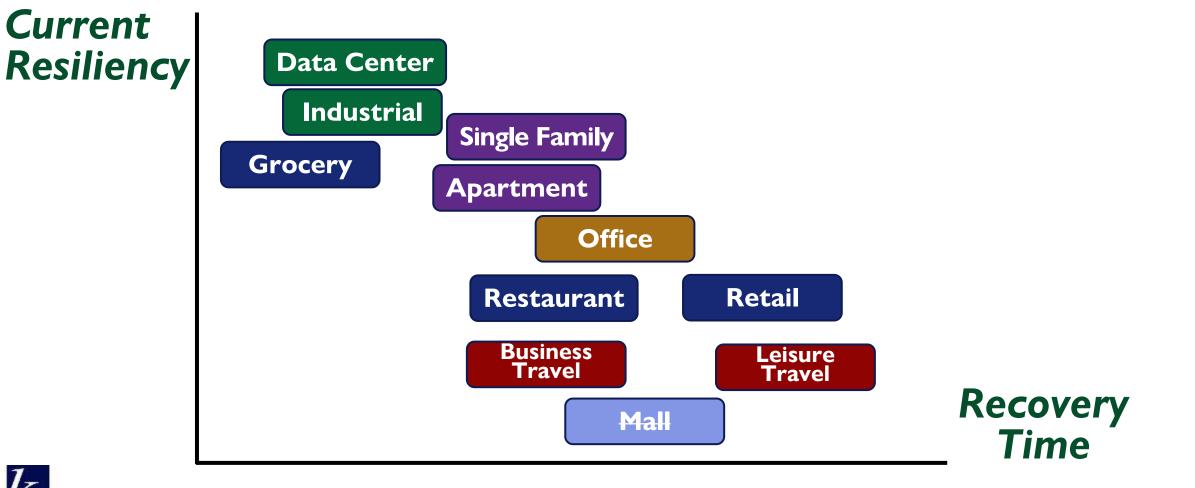


## THE NEW EQUATION: BLENDED USE

We can't expect the old retail formulas—more space, more stores, more malls—to lead us into the future. The new formula centers on the creation of engaging destinations:



# COVID-19 RECOVERY TIMEFRAMES IMPACT ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT STRATEGIES





# PICKING THE RIGHT STRATEGY:

WHAT SHOULD CITIES SUPPORT FOR POST-COVID RESILIENCY?

#### **Cities Should Embrace Emerging Living Trends**

- Authentic, safe neighborhoods with destination and walkability
- 'Surban' mid-density & single-family have strongest demand
- Hotels to focus on business and local travel
- Re-dustrial: Retail and Industrial continue to blend
- Doorstep Economy / "Last Mile" requires infill distribution centers
- Connectivity (5G/Public Spaces)
- Mobility (AV/Rideshare as part of design)

#### **Cities Should Embrace Blending Uses & Outdoor Amenities**

- Target blend of uses that create a destination (residential is a driver)
- COVID recovery underscores relationship between zoning & revenue
- Vibrant blended use places combine Fun, Food, Fitness, Fashion
- Outdoor space is the new anchor
- Certain services (e.g. medical, education) generate trips
- Sales tax stronger if retail & services & delivery can coexist
- Certain Retail / Hotel / Office assets well-suited for residential reuse



**Recovery Inventory Checklist** 

Five Step Action Plan for Recovery



Community Assessment & Flexible Land Use

Capture Value via Planning / Zoning

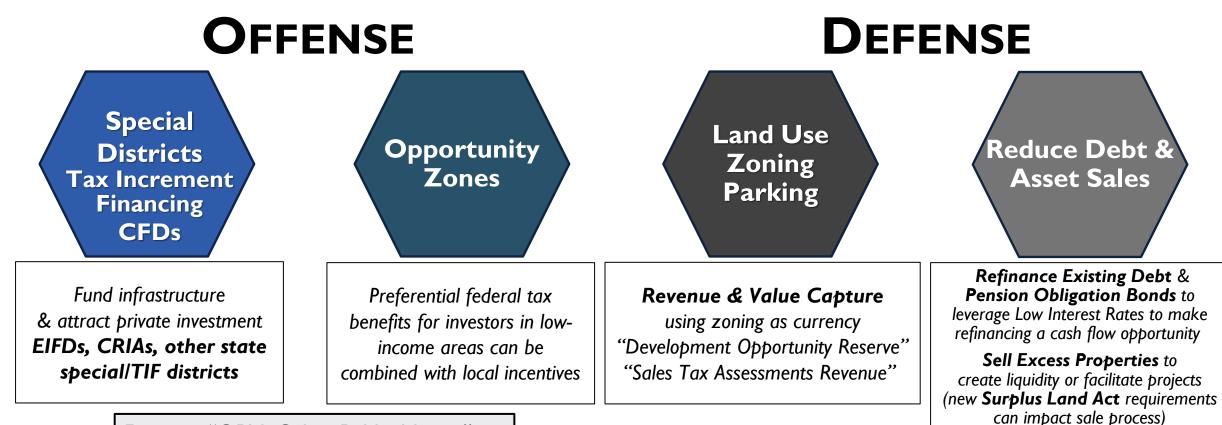
Manage Cashflow with Finance Tools

Identify Revenue / Funding Opportunities

Select Econ. Dev. Opportunities & Projects



# KOSMONT'S POST-COVID ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT PLAYBOOK





**BENCH**: "OPM: Other Public Money" EDA, State COVID Funds, Cap & Trade, Prop 68, State Housing Funds