



## EAST PUBLIC HEARING

### OPPORTUNITY JUNCTION

Wednesday, April 28, 2021, 3:30 p.m.-4:30 p.m.

Zoom Information: <https://zoom.us/j/6694657121?pwd=OFZsZzg2aS9qK2R5L3NweW11K2JaQT09>

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Desire Medlen, Low Income Seat No. 3  
Amanda Nelson, Private/Non Profit Seat No. 1  
Brendan Foley, Private/Non Profit Seat No. 2  
Lauren Babb, Private/Non Profit Seat No. 3  
Monisha Merchant, Private/Non Profit Seat No. 4  
Devlyn Sewell, Secretary, Private/Non Profit Seat No. 5  
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Renee Zeimer, Chair, Public Sector 2  
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PERSONS WHO WISH TO ADDRESS THE COUNCIL WILL HAVE  
THREE (3) MINUTES\* TO SPEAK. PLEASE STATE YOUR NAME AND CITY.

\*Public Comments may be reduce the amount of time allotted per speaker depending on  
the number of speakers. Your patience is appreciated.

The EOC will provide reasonable accommodations for persons with disabilities planning to participate in the  
Public Hearing. Please contact EOC Staff at least 24 hours before the meeting at 925.681.6311 .

### AGENDA

**Purpose:** To gather input from the public in order to identify high priority needs of  
low-income and under-served populations in Contra Costa County.

3:30 Call to Order – Ajit Kaushal  
Welcome & Introductions – Desire Medlen

3:35 Background – Devlyn Sewell  
*What is Community Action and the EOC? What is our charge?*

*How has the pandemic affected our work?*

3:40 Overview of Public Hearing Process – Staff

3:45 Public Comments – Desire Medlen

1. How has your life changed since the pandemic?
2. What services have you used for the first time?
3. The Governor announced that California will be ready to “reopen” on June 15.
4. What will “post-Covid life” look like for you?
5. What are you looking forward to? What are you concerned about?

4:25 Closing Remarks – Ajit Kaushal