

# Redwood Region RISE

## Quarterly Collaborative In-Person Convening Wednesday, November 5, 2025 | Lake County

[Limited spots available—RSVP now to secure yours](#)

- **Date & Time:** Wednesday, November 5th: Breakfast Meetings: 8–9:30 a.m.; Opening plenary at 10:00 a.m.; Closing at 3:15 p.m. with a reception until 4:15 p.m.
- **Location:** [Robinson Rancheria](#) in Lake County
- **Invitees:**
  - RRRISE Collaborative (Tribal Table, Voting Members, Sector Investment Coordinators & Sector Advisory Councils, and Catalyst Projects);
  - Community leaders, partners, and electeds across the region;
  - Resource partners and state agency representatives.
- **Scholarships for Travel and Accommodation, plus Per Diems:** Limited scholarships available for hotel and mileage for participants traveling over 30 miles each way. Per diems of \$100/day are available for eligible attendees.
- **Food Costs:** Breakfast, lunch, refreshments, and beverages will be provided. [More information here](#)

## Building Our Regional Collective Impact

1. As always, strengthen partnership and collaboration
2. Begin tracking our impact
3. Start setting a policy agenda for our region
4. Connect with resource partners within and outside our region

### Agenda

Wednesday, November 5, 2025				
Time	Session	Objective	Audience	Room
9:15– 10:00 a.m.	<b>Registration &amp; Breakfast</b>		Plenary	Main Room
8:00– 9:30 a.m.	<b>RRRISE &amp; Shine: Sector Investment Coordination Breakfast Meeting</b>		<i>Invite-Only:</i> SICs & Advisory Councils	1/3rd of the Main Room

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8:00– 9:30 a.m.	<b>RRRISE &amp; Shine: Tribal Table Breakfast Meeting</b>		Invite-Only: Tribal Table	1/3rd of the Main Room
8:30– 9:15 a.m.	<b>Redwood Region RISE Onboarding</b> <i>Introduction to RRRISE and its goals</i>		Open to All	1/3rd of the Main Room
10:00– 10:20 a.m.	<b>Welcome &amp; Opening Ceremony</b> <i>Welcome to Robinson Rancheria, home of the Pomo Indians of California, and Lake County. Connie Stewart, Executive Director of Initiatives at Cal Poly Humboldt, will explore Rural Hubs and what the Redwood Region can learn from these innovative models.</i>		Plenary	Main Room
10:20– 11:00 a.m.	<b>Collective Impact in the Redwood Region</b>	<i>Meet our new Voting Members and get the latest updates from the Convening Team on shared work progress, regranting, and California Jobs First funding. The Tribal Table will present economic development progress and priorities, followed by a county-by-county assessment of the past three years and collaborative planning for the next five years. The session will culminate with the Sustainability Working Group delivering insights on how we can maximize RRRISE's <a href="#">Theory of Change</a> to drive collective impact now and in the future?</i> <u>Facilitated by:</u> Voting Block Panel	Plenary	Main Room
11:00– 11:15 a.m.	<b>Coffee Break</b>			
11:15 a.m.– 12:45 p.m.	<b>Working Sessions (Choose One)</b> <b>Building Regional Infrastructure: Policy, Partnerships, and People</b>			
11:15 a.m.– 12:45 p.m.	<b>Developing Policy Literacy to Advance a Rural Agenda</b>	How can rural communities build a stronger collective voice in policy discussions? This session introduces collaboration strategies, core policy literacy skills, and practical approaches to organizing advocacy. We'll ask: <i>What do we want policymakers to know about our region? How do we set priorities and decide when and how to engage?</i> Participants will practice shaping a policy idea and explore pathways to amplify rural impact at the state level. <u>Facilitated by:</u> Toni Symonds (Policy Works California)	Breakout 1	1/3rd of the Main Room

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11:15 a.m.- 12:45 p.m.	<b>Creating Healthy Partnerships and Coalitions</b>	<i>Equip participants with tools to build and sustain effective partnerships across diverse organizations, using Catalyst funding case studies to enable productive collaboration among first-time partners. <u>Facilitated by:</u> Sarah Kerr (PinkPossum Consulting)</i>	Breakout 2	1/3rd of the Main Room
11:15 a.m.- 12:45 p.m.	<b>Workforce Workshop</b>	<i>Develop concrete action steps for strengthening career pathways using Capitol Impact's Talent Pipeline Management framework and insights from RRRISE Sector Activation Plans. <u>Facilitated by:</u> Capitol Impact</i>	Breakout 3	1/3rd of the Main Room
12:45- 1:45 p.m.	<b>Networking Lunch</b> Table game to get people connecting			Main Room
1:45-3:15 p.m.	<b>Panel/Working Session: Building Regional Economic Impact Through Strategic Investment and Entrepreneurship</b>	<i>Bringing together regional leaders, investors, and entrepreneurs to apply the Capital Absorption Framework to the Redwood Region. We'll explore strategies for attracting capital to our four key sectors, creating investable project pipelines, and fostering business growth that drives meaningful regional economic impact, while celebrating successful Catalyst project strategies. <u>Facilitated by:</u> Regional Government Services (RGS) + Sector Investment Coordinators</i>	Breakout 1	2/3rd of the Main Room
1:45-3:15 p.m.	<b>Grantwriting and Grant-Readiness Workshop for New and Growing Organizations</b>	<i>Strengthen grant-readiness and application skills for Catalyst applicants, and new and growing organizations through hands-on practice, peer feedback, and expert guidance on storytelling, budget development, and funder alignment strategies. <u>Facilitated by:</u> Ursula Bischoff (Bischoff Consulting)</i>	Breakout 2 <i>Invite-Only:</i> Catalyst Projects and Applicants	1/3rd of the Main Room
3:15- 4:15 p.m.	<b>Closing Ceremony</b> <b>Followed by a Regional Networking Reception (optional)</b> <b><i>Celebrating our Regional Identity and Brand</i></b>			Main Room
5:30- TBD	<i>Optional: Join the <a href="#">Redwood Region Economic Summit</a> Mixer at Skylark Hotel, where the 5th Annual Summit will take place on November 6-7</i>			Skylark Hotel