

# **Build Rivertown's Community Benefits Plan:**

How can this Hydrogen Project most support Rivertown and its residents?

**Background** and Rivertown **Perspectives** 

## Facts about Rivertown

- Rivertown is an Environmental Justice Community ■ Top 5% lowest amount of green space
- Top 3% for lack of indoor plumbing
- Top 2% for proximity to hazardous waste facilities
- Top 9% for diesel particulate matter exposure
- Top 12% for wastewater discharge
- Top 3% for linguistic isolation ■ Top 10% for traffic proximity
- Highest 35% for energy burden
- Top 20% for non-grid connected heating fuel
- **Justice 40 Priorities**
- Decrease energy burden in Disadvantaged Communities.
- Decrease environmental exposure and burdens for Disadvantaged Communities.

Communities.

- Increase parity in clean energy technology (e.g., solar, storage) access and adoption in Disadvantaged Communities. Increase access to low-cost capital in Disadvantaged
- Increase clean energy enterprise creation and contracting
- (MBE/DBE) in Disadvantaged Communities. Increase clean energy jobs, job pipeline, and job training for
- Increase energy resiliency in Disadvantaged Communities.

Increase energy democracy in Disadvantaged Communities.

individuals from Disadvantaged Communities.

#### **PERSPECTIVE 1**

## Ronny

Ronny is a truck driver who has been a contracted employee of FDC for over 10 years. In recent years, he has felt the impacts of inflation and struggled to provide for his family. Despite his tenure with FDC, he does not have good employee benefits. He is a member of the Long-Haul Trucker's Union and cares deeply that FDC make concrete commitments to its current employees.

#### PERSPECTIVE 2

## Joseph Joseph is a local resident who lives next

to the highway in Rivertown. As someone who suffers from asthma, Joseph is very invested in improving Rivertown's air quality, and has been bothered by the Food Distribution Center's diesel trucks driving past his apartment every day. Joseph would like to see any changes in the town's energy infrastructure include

requirements to improve air conditions.

#### **PERSPECTIVE 3**

## Charlie

Charlie is a Rivertown Fire Marshall. They care deeply about the safety of their city. They have heard some rumblings around town that hydrogen may pose some safety risks and wants safety to be prioritized in the

### **PERSPECTIVE 4**

## Delia

Delia is a longtime Rivertown resident who is very concerned about the cost of living and energy in her community. As a single parent who works two jobs to support her kids, she wants good jobs and industry but also wants a bright future for her children. She is frustrated by the noise in her neighborhood, which is close to the FDC, and worries that the exhaust from the trucks is hurting her family's health.

**Engaging Communities and Labor** 

Meaningful engagement with community and labor partners leading to formal agreements.

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**Engaging Communities** and Labor

Good Jobs: Investing in America's Workforce

Create good-paying jobs to attract and retain skilled workers and ensure workers have a voice on the job over decisions that affect them (wages, working conditions, safety, etc.)

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Advancing Diversity, Equity, Inclusion, and Accessibility

Equitable access to wealth building opportunities (teaming, access to good jobs, business and contracting opportunities, etc.)

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Justice40

At Least 40% of Project Benefits to Disadvantaged Communities. Meet or exceed the objectives of the Justice40 initiative that 40% of benefits accrue to Disadvantaged Communities.

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