## PUBLIC ENGAGEMENT

## **The Vital Leadership Skill in Difficult Times**



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California's cities, counties, and special districts face unprecedented decisions on issues ranging from budgets to housing. Addressing these challenges and opportunities requires more participatory and transparent ways of arriving at policy solutions. Conclusions that could once be reached through bargaining at the stakeholder level, now require new methods of reaching the full diversity and creativity of community voices. This can be a challenging undertaking, but managed effectively, public involvement on important decisions can lead to more creative, sustainable solutions.

In this practical and participatory half-day seminar, you will learn:	DATE:
<ul> <li>The "Civic Engagement Spectrum": From informing to empowering your residents</li> <li>When your city, county, or special district is ready to engage the public</li> </ul>	TIME:
How Purpose Determines Process	PLACE:
Who Should Attend?	
City staff (City Managers, Planners, etc.), elected officials (Mayors, Council Members), school district leaders (Supes, School Board Members), county/regional officials and staff	RSVP

## **Facilitator:**



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