



COR COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION

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COR Community Development Corporation (COR CDC) is the nonprofit arm of Christ Our Redeemer African Methodist Episcopal Church located in Irvine, California. As one of the only faith based, African American community development corporations in Orange County, we are in a unique position to field the many needs of underserved communities by providing programming in the areas of education, financial literacy and affordable housing through an array of partnerships.

As an advocate for members of marginalized communities for over ten years, we are deeply concerned by the effects of the closure of the San Onofre Nuclear Generating Station and subsequent rate increase by Southern California Edison to the communities they serve. Poor to moderate income families in particular will feel the greatest impact by this rate increase and COR CDC is seeking a partnership with Southern California Edison to assist in mitigating this impact.

Most would agree that the most difficult task is effectively reaching the population in which we seek to assist. COR CDC has formed a presence throughout Orange County by offering much needed programming as well as having the support from entities such as Saddleback College, UC Irvine, Bank of the West, Wells Fargo, 100 Black Men of Orange County and many, many more. In an effort to deepen and broaden our reach in the community, COR CDC formed the Orange County Interdenominational Alliance (OCIA). OCIA is a network of 66 congregations, nonprofit organizations and councils across Orange County whose sole purpose is to collectively address issues that adversely affect residents within greater Orange County. The formation of OCIA has expanded our reach and has increased our capacity to serve.

An alliance between COR Community Development Corporation and Southern California Edison to help assuage the inevitable burden this proposed rate increase will have on the many communities in which we both serve can only prove to be one that is effective, fruitful and impactful.

We look forward to partnering with you.