## **Diverse Leader Update**

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#### Latino-Hispanic and Low-Income Customer Engagement



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#### Overall Diverse Leader Program Progress

Up date on progress with Diverse Leaders Group activities

Discuss progress on Latino-Hispanic and Low-Income Groups 2015 recommendations



### 2015 Latino-Hispanic Team Recommendations

- Invest in District staffing to focus on Hispanic/Latino outreach/engagement programs
- Develop more to share information about available PUD benefits
- Create opportunities for diverse applicants to learn about and better prepare for the PUD job selection process



### Latino-Hispanic Team 2016 Actions

- Diverse Leaders Workshop Workshop session for feedback on bilingual phone lines, communication options, payment locations, Public Power Benefit
- Education and Diversity Outreach position Job description developed targeting Q3 hire
- Bilingual Information and Communications Increased information available in bilingual format
- Create opportunities for diverse applicants to learn about, and better prepare themselves for the PUD's job selection process



#### Low Income Team Update





# 2015 Recommendations & 2016 Actions

- Education on payment options focus messaging on calling the PUD early to work out payment options (Ongoing)
- Disconnect/Reconnect fees better communications with service organizations to avoid or limit fees (Ongoing)
- Discounts expand the program (Researching)
- Landlord notification change the timing of the landlord notification of disconnection for nonpayment (Completed Q1 2016)



## **Additional Planned Actions**

- Bilingual Phone Line Need for and benefit of a bilingual phone line
- Addressing Disconnects When Landlord pays utility bills
- Public Power Benefit –

**Engaging Groups and individuals** 

- State Parks Pass Communicating the opportunities
- Conservation Marketing Efforts –
  Directed effort to raise awareness of those in need



#### Roadmap - Next Steps

- Continue outreach in-line with the Diverse Leader recommendations
- George and Shaun to continue roles as "guidance team" staff
- Participate in the hiring process for Education and Outreach position



#### **Questions and Comments?**

