

## STOCKTON COMMUNITY ORGANIZER TRAINING TESTIMONIALS APRIL 2018

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**EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR, LITTLE MANILA**

“The Community Governance Leadership Training was a truly empowering experience for all of us involved at Little Manila. Having the opportunity to study the Midwest Academy organizing strategy for direct action gave us an important and necessary tool in community organizing and has helped to center us in understanding real power. This is something organizations representing marginalized communities definitely need to be reminded of, especially with limited resources and purposeful distractions from today’s oppressors. Also, the opportunity to network in the context of bringing structure to our movements with other local progressive groups was priceless. I highly recommend this organizer training to anyone who desires to fight for marginalized communities and save our democracy.”

HECTOR LARA

**EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR, REINVENT SOUTH STOCKTON**

“After doing a lot of community organizing work in our community over the last couple of years, we now finally have the tools that allow us to actually understand and do this work effectively. One of our partners shared that for the first time she understood the power and how best to use it. Another partner shared how now he understands that protests and yelling is not the only strategy available to bring positive change. With this training we are a more confident and powerful movement!”

BARBARA BARRIGAN-PARRILLA

**EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR, RESTORE THE DELTA**

“The training provided through the Community Governance Partnership for San Joaquin County was a pivotal moment for progressive coalition building in our communities. Not only was Mr. Hunt’s training for direct action campaigns detailed, collaborative, well organized, perfectly executed, and inspiring in itself, the camaraderie that sprung from two days of focused activity among representatives from several dozen groups is carrying the region forward toward better collaboration for a number of projects. We are most grateful to CGP’s Rich McIntyre and Amanda Ford for their effective organizing of area organizers, and to David Hunt for his inspired teaching of important organizing strategies.”