

**Region IX Federal Regional Council  
Faith-Based and Community Initiatives (FBCI) Committee  
CY 2008 Work Plan**

**Committee Purpose**

- Provide a forum that includes Federal, State and local officials, as well as faith-based and community organizations to discuss and exchange information regarding program initiatives that are a priority to faith-based and community organizations in Region IX.
- Maximize limited resources via coordination, collaborations, and partnerships at the Federal, State and local levels of government.
- Promote the faith-based and community initiatives through inter-agency collaborations and partnerships in order to integrate the priorities of the faith-based community into federal policies.

<b>Goal</b>	<b>Strategy</b>	<b>Target Date</b>
Continue partnerships with Region IX States that have FBCI Contacts, such as Hawaii and Arizona.	1. Continue to partner with Arizona and Hawaii FBCI work groups to understand best practices and assist with their continued development.	November 2008
Continue to engage with California and Nevada State officials to explore FBCI partnerships.	2. Continue outreach to California to discuss the State's interest in securing Federal funds to support the establishment of a faith-based office and the creation of a State anti-gang coordinator.	September 2008
	3. Utilize the guide for States interested in establishing a faith-based office to continue outreach to Nevada including State administration. The guide is expected to be released by the White House FBCI in early 2008.	September 2008
Continue to strengthen communication among Federal agencies with respect to FBCI programs and initiatives.	1. Continue to communicate with partners to ensure that relevant announcements are shared.	September 2008
Explore and establish an approach that identifies committee outcomes and how to measure their achievement.	2. Continue to work with Federal FBCI Center Directors and the White House Office of FBCI to share information about FBCI programs and events.	Ongoing
Explore connections with other FRC committees to identify how the FBCI can be supportive.	3. Assist with the promotion and planning of the White House Office of FBCI conference in Sacramento, California on August 5, 2008.	August 2008
	4. Share information about best practices, model programs, etc.	Ongoing
	5. Continue the FRC FBCI clothing drive for Veterans. HHS, USDA/FNS, HUD, DOL, FDIC, SSA, DHS/USICS, SBA, and EPA will host drives in 2008.	November 2008

<p>Exchange and disseminate information to faith-based and community partners, and State and local officials about programs, funding opportunities, conferences and workshops.</p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Use all forms of communication to maximize inter-agency exchange and dissemination of information.</li> <li>2. Distribute to faith-based and community partners, and State and local officials, a guide for States interested in a establishing a faith-based office. The guide is expected to be released by the White House FBCI in early 2008.</li> <li>3. Post timely and relevant information on the FRC's FBCI website, <a href="http://www.frc9.us/committee/faith.asp">www.frc9.us/committee/faith.asp</a>, and educate partners to visit the website to access current announcements and program information.</li> <li>4. Continue to work with the San Francisco Faith Based Coalition (<a href="http://www.faithbasedcoalition.org/">http://www.faithbasedcoalition.org/</a>) and the "City Serve Faith Communities United in Jesus" coalition (<a href="http://www.cityserveonline.org/">http://www.cityserveonline.org/</a>) to share information and to learn about faith-based events in the San Francisco, Fremont, Newark and Union City communities.</li> </ol>	<p>Ongoing</p> <p>March 2008</p> <p>Ongoing</p> <p>Ongoing</p>
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