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FHLBank System at 100 Roundtable: FHLBank Support for CDFIs, Community and Economic Development

Monday, February 13, 2023 | 9:30am - 12:30pm PT

- 1. What role does the FHLBank System play in supporting community development? What role should the System play?
- 2. Are the Community Investment Program (CIP) and Community Investment Cash Advance Program (CICA) being appropriately leveraged? Are there barriers to greater participation and if so, what are they?
- 3. How is economic development distinct from community development? What role does the FHLBank System play in supporting economic development?
- 4. How can the FHLBanks do more to support community and economic development directly? What types of FHLBank programs and services would be helpful? What about indirectly, including through partnerships? Who should the FHLBanks partner with?
- 5. Are there challenges that CDFIs face in particular when engaging with the FHLBanks? If so, what are they? What challenges do the FHLBanks face when engaging with different types of CDFIs? How can these respective challenges be balanced and managed?
- 6. What should the FHLBanks' community and economic development programs look like? If we could start from a blank slate, what would be key features?

To submit in advance:

- What role do you believe the FHLBank System should play in supporting CDFIs, community, and economic development? What is the single most important change you would recommend to best position the System to fulfil that role? If no changes are needed, why not?
- Do you believe structural changes to the FHLBank System (e.g., consolidation, change in membership eligibility requirements, etc.) would be necessary or advisable to fulfill the role(s) you envision? Why or why not?
- Other bullet points outlining the points you would like to discuss