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**Achieving Inclusive Economic
Recovery for our Region**



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The 88 Cities Summit, in its third year, provides a conversation space where leaders across L.A. County share and create solutions to the economic development challenges our cities and unincorporated communities face.

In conversations with honored speakers and elected officials, city managers, and economic development staff, you'll hear best practices from people working on the same challenges you face. Attendees leave with new options and new partners to advance progress on some of the more complex challenges in our regional economy.

This year's theme is **Achieving Inclusive Economic Recovery for our Region**. The event will emphasize the work at hand to address digital connectivity, while supporting small businesses during a reopening phase to reengage the workforce and advance our cities' economic development.

Attendees will include:

- Mayors and City Council Members
- City Managers
- Economic Development Teams
- Planning Teams
- County Officials and Agencies
- Community-based organizations
- Educators

9:00 AM
OPENING REMARKS

9:10 AM
OPENING WELCOME
Hilda Solis, Supervisor to the First District and
Chair, LA County Board of Supervisors

9:15 AM
FRAMING THE DISCUSSIONS

9:30 AM
Digital Solutions
Steps to Community-Wide Connectivity

10:15 AM
Labor Market Solutions
Reengaging the Workforce

11:00 AM
Enterprise Solutions
A Business-Friendly Reopening

11:45 AM
CLOSING REMARKS

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Opening Welcome



Hilda Solis

Supervisor to the First District
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Community-wide internet connectivity strategies, which are essential to help close the digital divide and achieve inclusive economic recovery.



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**Business re-opening, recovery and reinvention
tools to help cities assist their local small
business recovery efforts.**



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Your leadership continues to strengthen partnerships and foster economic growth across Los Angeles County.




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