



January 27, 2022

Jenny Russo
Grants Program Manager
SANDAG
401 B St. Suite 800
San Diego, CA 92101

RE: SANDAG/SCAG RFQ to Bridge the Digital Divide: Partnership with Cox Communications – SUPPORT

Dear Ms. Russo,

The South Orange County Economic Coalition supports Cox Communications proposal to partner with SANDAG and SCAG to help bridge the digital divide. We are the leading business advocate in South Orange County, and we support initiatives such as this from our members and the local business community.

It makes perfect sense that Cox would be involved with this effort. Cox Communications has a proven track record as an exceptional public-private partner through their work with non-profits, local jurisdictions, and private entities. Cox Communications has generously donated to schools and other non-profits in our community for many years with the goal of providing access to the internet to those who don't have it.

The South Orange County Economic Coalition would absolutely partner with Cox on a potential project that helped connect more people in South Orange County to the internet.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Victoria Hernandez".

Victoria Hernandez

Executive Director, South Orange County Economic Coalition