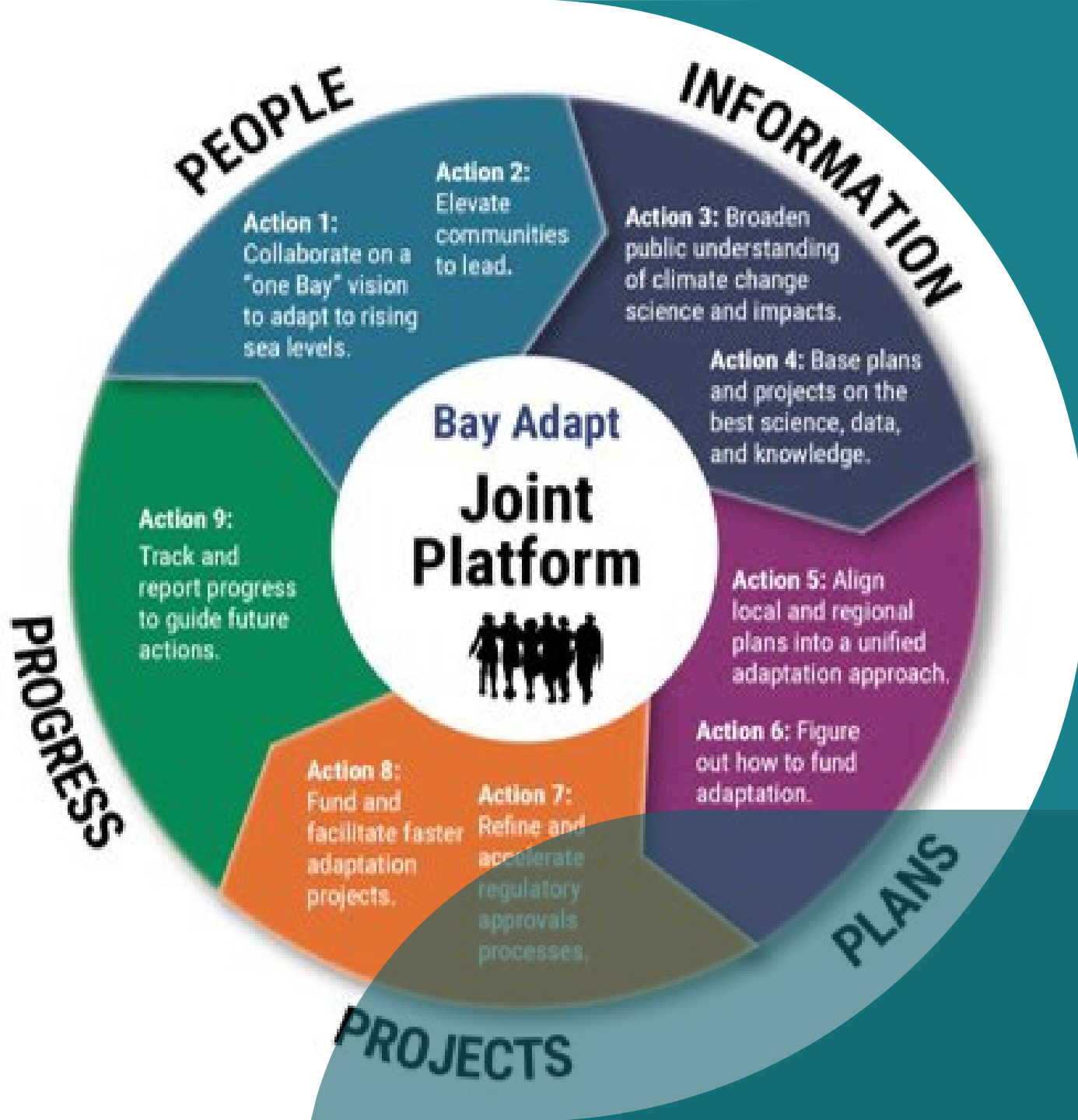


# **Staff Recommendation on a Contract with the Exploratorium for the Shoreline Leadership Academy**

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# Shoreline Leadership Academies Advance Bay Adapt

**Action 2:** Elevate Communities to Lead

**Action 3:** Broaden public understanding of climate change science and impacts

# Shoreline Leadership Academies (In alignment with SB 272)



- Pay residents from underrepresented communities to learn about the shoreline issues
- Participants learn from **subject matter experts**
- Six month academies with online and on the shoreline learning experiences.
- Graduates of the program will become advisors to local jurisdictional planning processes.

# The Oakland Shoreline Leadership Academy



“ Being an OSLA participant allows me to learn and see the various ways in which our built shoreline environment can be enhanced to invigorate natural habitats for wildlife and promote eco-connected healing for people. ”

—Tamila “Shy” Walker

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# Bay Area Shoreline Leadership Academies

- **2 Academies-** San Francisco youth cohort and Contra Costa County adult cohort
- **SF Academy:** Received 175 applications, currently interviewing top candidates.
- **Funding Source:** NOAA Inflation Reduction Act Non-Competitive Capacity Building Funding

# Exploratorium Contract

- **\$180,000 for Academy Management**
  - Payment to educators and curriculum developers
  - Stipends for participants
  - Additional payments for food, travel, and supplies
  - Assistance with curriculum development and trainings
- Approved by DGS

# Staff Recommendation

The staff recommends that the Commission authorize its Executive Director to enter in to an up to \$180,000 contract with the Exploratorium to provide Academy Management of two Shoreline Leadership Academies beginning from January 1, 2025 (or upon approval). The staff further recommends that the Commission authorize the Executive Director to amend the contract as necessary, including revising the amount or duration of the agreement, so long as the amendment does not change the amount more than ten percent or involve substantial changes to the services provided.

**Thank you**

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