

WELCOMING INTERACTIVE 2023

San Jose, CA

April 26 - 28, 2023

Wednesday, April 26, 2023

8:00am Check-in opens
1:00pm – 4:00pm Community Tours
6:00pm - 7:30pm Opening Reception - San Jose City Hall Rotunda

Thursday, April 27, 2023

6:30am - 7:30am Sunrise Exercise (meet in hotel lobby)
8:00am Check-in opens
8:00am - 5:15pm Exhibitors
8:00am - 9:00am Breakfast
8:30am - 10:00am Formal welcome, featured plenary speaker - Aleem Ali

10:00am - 10:15am Break

10:15am - 11:45am Breakout session 1 - Why We Can't "Just Get Along"
Breakout session 2 - Strategies for Welcoming Communities in Australia, the UK and US
Breakout session 3 - Accompaniment Through Community Sponsorship
Breakout session 4 - Fostering & Maintaining Welcome in K-12 Schools
Breakout session 5 - Project Hope: A City of San José Innovative Neighborhood Engagement Program

12:00pm - 1:30pm Lunch and Welcoming America Information Update

1:30pm - 1:45pm Break

1:45pm - 3:15pm Breakout session 6 - Candidly Speaking- Addressing Bias and Anti-Blackness in the Immigrant Community
Breakout session 7 - Advancing Inclusive Career Pathways and Economic Opportunity for Immigrants and Refugees
Breakout session 8 - Asset Building - Home-ownership, Savings Accounts, Business Development, Tax Preparation Assistance
Breakout session 9 - Leveraging Co-Design Strategies for Successful Welcoming Week Events
Breakout session 10 - Breaking Down Barriers and Building Trust: Safety Services & Immigrant Residents

3:15pm – 3:30 pm Break

3:30pm - 5:00pm Breakout session 11 - Building a Federal Strategy for Inclusion - Lessons from the Field and Strategies for Tomorrow
Breakout session 12 - Managing Language Services
Breakout session 13 - How Do We Watch Those Who Watch Us?
Breakout session 14 - Local Strategies and Policies that Yield Sustainable Short and Long Term Housing
Breakout session 15 - Spaces of Welcome: How The Physical Shapes Our Sense of Belonging

6:15pm - 7:45pm Networking Reception - Tech Interactive

Friday, April 28, 2023

8:00am Check-in opens
8:00am - 11:45am Exhibitors
8:00am - 9:00am Breakfast
8:30am - 10:00am Closing plenary

10:00am - 10:15am Break

10:15am - 11:45am Breakout session 16 - Strategic Messaging to Expand Support for People Seeking Refuge
Breakout session 17 - Language Access is a Right, and We Have Responsibilities
Breakout session 18 - Mosaic Atlas: An Innovative Technology-enabled Tool to Help Advance Equity & Foster Social Cohesion
Breakout session 19 - Improving Immigrant Integration through Collaborative Research and Innovation
Breakout session 20 - Immigrant Civic Leadership Programs