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Alliance President & CEO Sonya Blake joined 30 business, union, and community representatives for a Los Angeles listening tour with former Los Angeles Mayor Antonio Villaraigosa who was recently appointed by Governor Newsom as Infrastructure Advisor.

Mayor Villaraigosa will work with local, state, and federal leaders to leverage California's allocation of the $1.2 trillion Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act, adopted by Congress last year and providing for $550 billion to build new roads, bridges, water facilities, public transit, utilities, and other infrastructure projects. In August, Governor Newsom announced the U.S. Dept of Transportation's deployment of $120 million for eight projects, including $20 million to the Port of Los Angeles.

The Alliance advocated for a meaningful distribution of this funding here in the San Fernando Valley region to improve our local transportation, water, and broadband infrastructure as well as for maintenance of existing infrastructure.

To join in the conversation and offer your perspective about where infrastructure investment is needed, please email Sonya at sblake@economicalliance.org.