Joint-Legislative Committee Agenda

AV EDGE drives economic growth and retention across the Antelope Valley region through collaboration, advocacy, and business engagement.

Date: August 10th, 2026

Time: 3 PM - ZOOM

- ☐ Angela Marie Allen
- ☐ Wade Alexander
- ☐ Frida Andrade
- ☐ George Andrews
- ☐ John Antonaros
- ☐ Dawn Babers
- ☐ Monica Banken
- ☐ Tom Barnes
- ☐ Victor Benavides
- ☐ Chuck Bostwick
- ☐ Bob Bowman
- ☐ Mark Bozigian
- ☐ Mary Broadwater
- ☐ Alfred Brubaker
- ☐ Anthony Bruneau
- ☐ Diane Carlton
- ☐ Donna Carrion
- ☐ Deeanna Cason
- ☐ Dwayne Chism
- ☐ Jim Clarke
- ☐ Dr. William Croom
- ☐ Steven Derryberry
- ☐ Jacqueline Diaz-Fontana
- ☐ Susie Duarte
- ☐ Rob Duchow
- ☐ Chris Duncan
- ☐ Paula Francis
- ☐ Judy Fry
- ☐ Matt Gaines
- ☐ Leslie Gamino
- ☐ Isla Garcia
- ☐ Mary Beth Garrison
- ☐ Suzy Ghazarossian
- ☐ Ben Gocke
- ☐ Matt Harris
- ☐ Kirk Hartley
- ☐ Mark Hemstreet
- ☐ Laura Herman
- ☐ Jasmin Hernandez
- ☐ Michael Hernandez
- ☐ Trevor Hibbert
- ☐ Diane Hoey
- ☐ Chuck Hoey
- ☐ Harvey Holloway
- ☐ Teresa Howard
- ☐ Holly Hughes
- ☐ Matthew Jacobs
- ☐ Dianne Knippel
- ☐ Jake Lopez
- ☐ Kathy Mac Laren-Gomez
- ☐ Drew Mercy
- ☐ Artzrun Minasyan
- ☐ Thomas Moreno
- ☐ Trolis Niebla
- ☐ Eric Ohlsen
- ☐ Chris Perry
- ☐ Peggy Robertson
- ☐ Olin Rogers
- ☐ Regina Rossall
- ☐ Michelle Royal
- ☐ Adrianna Salcedo
- ☐ Karen Sanders
- ☐ Rochelle Silsbee
- ☐ Judy Shay
- ☐ David Smith
- ☐ Alexia Svejda
- ☐ Megan Taggart
- ☐ Will Thornhill
- ☐ Martin Tompkins
- ☐ Seffi Toneman
- ☐ Mark Troth
- ☐ Maria Unzueta
- ☐ Kriss Vanderhyde
- ☐ Mike VanKirk
- ☐ Matt Watson
- ☐ Laura Lynne Wyatt
- ☐ Sydney Yeseta
- ☐ Anna Zarley
- ☐ Jennifer Zellet

1. **Call to Order**
2. **Presentations / Legislative Landscape Overview**
    a. Federal updates:
    b. State legislative updates:
        i. CA - Senate
        ii. CA - Assembly
    c. County-level activity:
        i. Los Angeles
        ii. Kern County
    d. Cities activity:
        i. Lancaster:
        ii. Palmdale:
3. **MOU Action Items**

Type	MOU Description	Status/Notes
MOU	Marketing & Publications	
MOU	Industry Deep Dives	Healthcare Industry Deep Dive: i. What legislative changes are needed to allow technical certification training stipends (housing, transportation, uniforms) for non-college pathways serving aged-out foster youth? ii. Coordinate with Congressman Whitesides' office iii. Lead efforts on: ● Technical certification funding legislation ● Workforce-related policy advocacy iv. Funding for technical certification stipends
MOU	Startup & Small Business Support	
MOU	Workforce Development	
MOU	Transportation Advocacy	
MOU	Summary / Key Wins This Month	

MOU	Challenges / Needs from MOU Partners	
Project/ goal, etc.	_____	
	_____	

4. **Old Business**
    a. ___
5. **New Business**
    a. ___
6. **Action Items & Deadlines Tracking**
    a. **Priority Legislative Items for Discussion** – Bill / Policy Title & Number (Potential community impact)
        i. AB1421 – proposed study on driving tax. (Oppose)
7. **Review of Open Action Items:**

Action Item Description	Person Assigned	Due Date	Status/Notes
AB 1421			
AB 796			

8. **Announcements / Partner & Stakeholder Updates**
    a. Chambers of Commerce
    b. Economic development organizations
    c. Education or workforce partners
    d. Industry coalitions
9. **Open floor for announcements**
    a. Upcoming Advocacy & Engagement Opportunities
        i. Scheduled meetings with legislators or agencies
        ii. Upcoming hearings, town halls, or forums
        iii. Advocacy days or regional coalitions
10. **Adjournment**
    a. Adjourn the meeting if there are no objections

Dates to Remember

- Board of Directors Meeting: Third Tuesday, monthly, 8:30 a.m.
- Joint Legislative Committee Meeting: Second Monday, monthly, 3:00 p.m.
- Transportation & Infrastructure Committee: Third Thursday, monthly, 7:30 a.m.
- Healthcare Committee: First Thursday, every other month, 8:30 a.m. (Next: August 7, 2026)

- Aerospace Committee Meeting: Second Thursday, every other month, 10:00 a.m. (Next: August 13, 2026)
- Education/Workforce Committee: First Thursday, every other month, 8:30 a.m. (Next: August 7, 2026)