October 29 IMCP Winners Reception and Conversation
7:00-8:30pm
National Governors Association
Hall of the States, 444 N. Capitol St., Ste. 267, Room 333, Washington, D.C. 20001-1512

Goals:
• Create connections with other IMCP regions: names and faces; potential strategy linkages/partnerships
• Get overview of each region’s strategies
• Discuss and coordinate next steps and regular check ins.

Introduction:

• Thanks to Heidi Shepherd (NIST), the Washington Puget Sound Region and Advance Michigan for organizing this reception
• Why we’re here tonight:
  o Urgency: Have less than two years to make the most of this opportunity
  o Group strength and good will

Community introductions, 5 minutes per group (timed)

• Each IMCP group gets five minutes to present to the entire group:
  o Introduce team
  o Overview of strategy
  o What does success look like to you?
  o Biggest challenge
  o What you need from this group (not from EDA or anyone else – just this group)
  o Something funny or intriguing about your strategy or your region that we will all remember.

Next steps:

• Letter update & results. Thanks to Cook County for leading!
• Next steps & discussion:
  o Organized outreach to Congressional delegations?
  o Central database? Pooling of information; learn from each other’s strategies and plans; linkages and partnerships.
  o Regular check-ins?
• Schedule conference call quarterly to follow up

Wrap up and clean up