

# 2025 California CLT Network Conference — Sept 25-26, Fresno Conference Proposal Guidelines

We are excited to convene for the California Community Land Trust Network's annual conference, which will bring together Network <u>members</u>, partners, and allies committed to advancing the community land trust model in California and beyond.

We aim to feature an agenda of workshops and roundtable discussions organized around a CLT focus. The Network's Event Planning Committee will review and select workshops. Proposals received before Monday, May 5, 2025 will receive priority review. Questions? Contact lopez@cacltnetwork.org or (415) 967-0497.

## **General Submission Guidelines:**

- We envision two types of workshops: panels and roundtable discussions, each around 70 mins or longer
- All workshops are presented in-person
- Every workshop needs to have one individual organizer/convenor who will be responsible for
  - Corresponding with the conference organizers
  - Coordinating confirmations with panelists
  - Providing final presentation slides and other materials according to the timeline below
- Due to a high volume of submissions and limited workshop space, the CA CLT Network reserves the right to ask CACLTN staff to combine proposals with other related submissions, request modifications to the workshop proposal content and/or speakers, and work with convenors to modify the title, track, and/or descriptions.

## Proposal Criteria:

Workshop proposals must feature the following:

- Title
- Purpose and goals of the workshop and target audience
- All speakers, including the moderator, must be identified; you may indicate if they are confirmed or tentative

• Not solely focused on the work of one organization or entity or a single project, with content that may appeal to CLT practitioners across the state

Preference will be given to proposals that incorporate the following:

- Include the CLT resident's perspective
- Workshops that will provide attendees with a call-to-action or actionable information
- Diverse presenters in terms of geography, race, gender, socioeconomic diversity and LGBTQ+ identification
- Address racial equity considerations in housing
- Audience engagement and/or other innovative models of spurring conversation
- Partners and allies are also encouraged to submit proposals

## **Deadlines**

Fri, Mar 28, 2025: Open for submissions

Fri, May 5, 2025: Submission Deadline

Mon, June 6, 2025: Notification of submissions status begins

Fri, July 25, 2025: Final workshop descriptions, confirmed speakers, bios, registrations due

Fri, Aug 29, 2025: Conference presentations are due to CACLTN staff

Thurs - Fri, Sept 25-26, 2025: CA CLT Network Conference in Fresno, CA

## **Suggested Topics**

- How CLTs can partner with community members, nonprofits, and government stakeholders
- Community Ownership Strategies beyond housing
- Issues related to CLT residents and/or cultivating and supporting resident leadership in CLTs
- Local and regional policies to support community ownership and decommodification
- How CLTs can collaborate and support each other (peer-to-peer exchanges, incubations, other services)
- Staff retention, burnout, and creating sustainable organizations
- Project Financing and or fundraising for acquisitions and operations
- LandBack, Indigenous-Led movements, and Tribal Land Trusts
- Mobile Homes, Manufactured Housing, and Farmworker Housing
- Climate change, sustainability and CLT construction/maintenance
- Organizing and building power
- CLT Stewardship and asset management

**NOTE:** These are suggested topics, please also propose other subjects relevant to the CLT ecosystem. Organizers to help promote their workshops and/or the conference to their intended audience and beyond

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