

BUZZ IMPLEMENTATION TEAMS

[Team Descriptions](#)

Maintaining And Evolving The Buzz team

Budget: \$650,000

Provides creative direction for new Buzz recruitment, bus trips, summits, social gatherings and regular communications within the Buzz network.

- Alexis Willis
- Anna Protano Biggs - A Team rep
- Brenna Kelly
- Demetrus Coonrod
- Donovan Brown
- Eric Myers
- James McKissic
- Melanie Silva
- Monica Kinsey
- Reginald Smith

Economic Stability team

Budget: \$3,500,000

Works together to further develop the ideas and support the success of the various activities within this strategy.

- Daniela Peterson - A Team rep
- Donna Williams
- Lisa Pinckney
- Lori Quillen
- Martina Guilfoil
- Michael Gilliland
- Shane Morrow

Flexible Funding team

Budget: \$1,200,000

Designs a process to fund projects and activities that contribute to vibrancy and support the other three strategies, including assessing needs and opportunities for flexible funding and making funding decisions.

- Ann Law - A Team rep
- Brenna Kelly
- Demetrus Coonrod
- Lakweshia Ewing
- Marco Perez
- Monica Kinsey
- Reginald Smith
- Ric Morris
- Shane Morrow
- Troy Rogers

Engaging Philanthropy team

Budget: \$250,000

Works in collaboration with Footprint Foundation and Buzz network to tell the story of the co-creation process, works with Footprint to build relationships with funders, and directs grant writing efforts so that additional funding may be secured for collective work.

- Eric Asboe

- Lakweshia Ewing
- Lisa Pinckney
- Mark McKnight
- Melanie Silva - A Team rep
- Michael Walton
- Noel Durant

People & Culture team

Supports individual Buzzers and the integrity of the process overall as described in the Vision, Values and Community Agreements.

- Alexis Willis
- Anna Protano Biggs
- Donovan Brown
- Jazmine LeBlanc - A Team rep
- Ric Morris
- Troy Rogers

Adaptation & Accountability team (A Team)

Supports oversight across all Buzz strategies. *The A&A team will be made up of one representative from each of the other five Buzz teams. Each Buzz team will select their A&A team representative. To minimize conflicts of interest, none of these members should receive funds for activities or projects from the Buzz.*

The transition team served as interim until teams chose their own AA (A-Team) reps.

- Alexis Willis
- Anna Protano Biggs
- Jazmine LeBlanc
- Lakweshia Ewing
- Lori Quillen
- Ric Morris
- Troy Rogers

A-Team as of Mar 20, 2025:

Flex Funding rep	Ann Law
Engaging Philanthropy rep	Melanie Silva
Maintaining the Buzz rep	Anna Protano-Biggs
Economic Stability rep	Daniela Peterson
People and Culture rep	Jazmine LeBlanc

Buzz Network Facilitator Hiring team

Ad-hoc team (Oct - Dec 2024) that reviewed and ranked applications, interviewed finalists, and selected the best candidate for this position.

- Alexis Willis
- Anna Protano Biggs
- Lakweshia Ewing
- Martina Guilfoil
- Melanie Silva
- Troy Rogers