



## 2022 Call for Projects CMAP thematic priorities — definitions

### Areas of disinvestment

Areas that have experienced a persistent, long-term lack of market investment, measured by a long-term loss of jobs, low levels of lending to small businesses, and low property values (or areas that have experienced a loss of economic activity over a sustained period of time.)

### Economically Disconnected Areas (EDAs)

Areas with a concentration of residents of low income who are either minority residents or residents with limited proficiency in English.

### Economically Disconnected and Disinvested Areas

Both Economically Disconnected Areas (EDAs) and areas of disinvestment. EDAs have a concentration of low income and minority or limited English proficiency residents, while areas of disinvestment have experienced a loss of economic activity over a sustained period.

### **Disadvantaged populations**

Populations of low-income residents and either minority residents or residents with limited proficiency in English.

### **Community empowerment and equitable engagement**

The process of enabling communities to increase control over their lives and granting equal opportunities in the decision-making process

### **Communities**

Groups of people who may or may not be spatially connected but share common interests, concerns, or identities.

### Traded clusters

A regional concentration of related industries and firms that sell products and services outside of the region and gain specific competitive advantages from their close proximity, shared human capital assets, and improved access to inputs.