STRATEGIES FOR HOMEGROWN JOB CREATION

STRATEGY AREA	ASSUMPTION	THEORY OF CHANGE	PROJECTS
TALENT & SKILL DEVELOPMENT	The city has struggled with developing a talent pipeline because Albuquerque has many different subsets of populations who need skill-up opportunities specific to their situations.	If we do provide population-specific training to address this struggle, then more people will have the skills & resources to start a business or advance in/into a high wage job. This covers: both traditional & nontraditional educational opportunities.	PILOT: Main Street Navigator Program Aligned Contributions: 2+1+2 Program innovationAcademy AHCC's Emprendedores and EmprendeNM Programs
CAPITAL AVAILABILITY	Entrepreneurship & innovation have been slow to develop in Albuquerque because New Mexico has few sources of capital & faces a philanthropic divide.	If we attract more dollars & improve availability of funds for start-up capital for entrepreneurs, then more of them will have the funding they need to launch/expand their business. This means: growing traditional lending opportunities, increasing available capital & developing new, innovative models that tackle deeply entrenched & complex barriers.	PILOT: Co-op Capital
ENTREPRENEUR -SHIP & INCLUSION DEVELOPMENT	Albuquerque suffers from a lack of economic diversity because federal & state government jobs have sheltered the region from the global economy & did not allow incentives for growth of the private sector.	If we build on inherent entrepreneurial assets, create a culture of entrepreneurial energy using best practices & use alternative means that enable historically marginalized people, families & communities to participate in the entrepreneurial process, then more people will see becoming an entrepreneur as a viable option.	PILOT: Molino Project Aligned Contributions: AHCC HUB DO Program
COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT	The city has been slow to develop viable workplace options in Downtown ABQ because it has not been perceived as a viable place to operate a business.	If we make Downtown an attractive place (via improved Wi-Fi, bus rapid transit, business supports, critical mass of other businesses, etc.) then more businesses will locate Downtown.	Aligned Contributions: Innovate ABQ Albuquerque Rapid Transit
BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT	Moving an invention from the lab to the marketplace is slow and daunting because the process to commercially exploit research varies widely.	If we facilitate/support technology commercialization (for example, licensing agreements setting up joint ventures & partnerships, spin-out, etc.) then there will be more start-up companies. This means: bringing resources out from "behind the fence" & putting the community in more contact with lab & business development resources.	PILOT: Technology Navigator Program Aligned Contributions: Mayor's Prize for Entrepreneurship

