



The Sandbox

Bring a Challenge
to the
Innovation Sandbox



A Call for Challenges

Is there a pressing challenge impacting your organization that you cannot solve alone? Is there a looming challenge on the horizon your organization lacks the capacity to think about or plan for?

Submit this challenge to the Inaugural Innovation #SandboxSeries Contest by August 31 and your challenge could be chosen as the 2019 Sandbox Series programming topic! [Submission Form](#)



Selection of Finalists

Early September

All submissions will be reviewed by TJCOG staff and the Regional Strategy & Innovation Goup based on criteria (top right). Five organizations will be chosen to present their challenge at the TJCOG Regional Summit Innovation Sandbox Showcase on September 27, 2018.



Sandbox Showcase

The five finalists will be invited to set up a booth at the Sandbox Showcase, the closing session at the TJCOG Regional Summit, to engage with attendees and provide an interactive explanation of why their challenge is most critical for the region to address. More information will be provided to chosen entities. Attendees will cast a ballot for the challenge they think would benefit most from innovative, regional solutions.



Winner Announced

The winning challenge will be announced on October 12, 2018. The selected challenge will be the focus topic for all Innovation #SandboxSeries programming in 2019.

CHALLENGE CRITERIA

1. Submission must be "sponsored" by an organization(s).
2. Must extend across multiple counties in the TJCOG region - the more, the better.
3. Impacts or is impacted by the decisions of the public sector.
4. Requires unique solutions - its long-term impacts are likely unknown.

THE SANDBOX

The Sandbox is a new initiative at TJCOG focused on breaking down silos in government; encouraging unique, "inside-the-sandbox" ideas and solutions; and providing freedom to think about the most challenging issues in our region. Stakeholders are encouraged to play without consequences and build imperfect ideas within the Sandbox space and programs.

About TJCOG

TJCOG is the regional planning organization for Chatham, Durham, Johnston, Lee, Moore, Orange and Wake counties, and the municipalities within. Staff convene local government leaders, tackling challenges that cross jurisdictional lines, and leading collaborative efforts in land use and infrastructure, water quantity, and quality of life.

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