

Policy Engagement Ladder

Matching Council *Engagement Intensity* to *Policy Issue Priority*

After a high-screening score, Councils use this ladder to determine:
What level of Council engagement is appropriate?



Recommended Practice: Scale engagement **up** or **down** as needed.

- Respect other partners' roles and voices.
- Document steps to justify the level of engagement.
- Guide: **19–24** screening score = **Levels 4–5**
- Guide: **9–18** screening score = **Levels 1–3**