



Strategic Growth Council

Annual Report to the Legislature: 2018-2019 Fiscal Year



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LETTER FROM THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR



June 30, 2019

Dear Members of the California Legislature:

I am pleased to present you with the California Strategic Growth Council's Annual Report. The Strategic Growth Council (SGC) advances California's collaborative efforts to shape how and where we grow, working to achieve equitable and resilient communities and landscapes for all Californians.

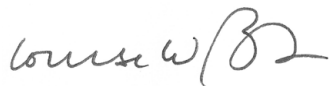
This year has been one of transition and continued growth at SGC. I was thrilled to join SGC as Executive Director in July 2018 and honored by the opportunity to lead the Council's innovative, collaborative work. In addition, six new Council members joined SGC this year – one new public appointee and five new Cabinet members from the Newsom Administration. As we warmly welcome these new members, we also express our sincere gratitude to the outgoing Council members whose service shepherded SGC through a crucial period of development. Through these transitions, our staff and Council have demonstrated their continued commitment to realizing SGC's vision to achieve healthy, vibrant, and resilient communities for all.

One of the Council's first actions in 2019 was to adopt the Strategic Growth Council's Racial Equity Action Plan. SGC executive leadership and staff developed this plan through our participation in the Capitol Cohort of the Government Alliance on Race and Equity, an initiative launched in 2018 by SGC's Health in All Policies program. The Racial Equity Action Plan outlines how we will advance racial equity in SGC's operations, investments, and community engagement work. This is an important step in SGC's efforts to center equity in all that we do, and an important demonstration of the State's commitment to opportunity for all Californians. Furthermore, the plan is the first of its kind adopted to advance a formalized statewide racial equity strategy.

This was also a year of milestones for SGC's investment programs. The Council finalized grant agreements for the first round of Transformative Climate Communities awardees and made two additional investments in Sacramento and Pacoima. The Climate Change Research program awarded its first two rounds of grants, all which support policy-oriented research efforts that engage researchers, stakeholders, tribes, and other partners to develop and advance climate solutions. The Council approved 18 conservation easements through the Sustainable Agriculture Lands Conservation program, which will protect at-risk agricultural lands from conversion to higher-emitting uses – marking a new high in demand for the program. Finally, in June 2019, the Council approved the fourth round of Affordable Housing and Sustainable Communities (AHSC) awards. These awards will support the construction of over 3,000 new housing units, 75 percent of which will be affordable. With this fourth round of awards, SGC surpassed \$1 billion in community investments through the AHSC program. These successes rely on partnership and collaboration - core principles of SGC's cross-agency work and investments - supported by SGC's technical assistance and capacity building investments, which increase community access to funding opportunities.

These are just a few examples that demonstrate SGC's ongoing commitment to leading and a partnering on work that advances equity, resilience, and sustainability for all Californians. This report offers an opportunity for you to gain a deeper understanding of SGC's special role in California by highlighting some of our accomplishments over the past year.

Sincerely,



Louise Bedsworth

STRATEGIC GROWTH COUNCIL MEMBERSHIP

Each member of the Strategic Growth Council brings important perspective and expertise to the service of SGC's vision. Council membership comprises secretaries of each of the agencies leading the State's major planning, infrastructure, housing, agricultural, and conservation programs, as well as appointed members of the public who represent viewpoints from across California. With support of SGC and agency staff, the Council leads work to invest in sustainable community projects, build community capacity, and advance integrated policy solutions. Together, the Council tackles policies that shape how and where we grow, working

to achieve equitable and resilient communities and landscapes for all Californians. In 2019, Council membership changed as Governor Newsom appointed new Cabinet secretaries. The list below reflects Council membership as of June 30, 2019. We welcome these new members, and thank the past and continuing Council members for their important contributions to SGC, to California's most disadvantaged communities, and to the State.



Kate Gordon
Chair



Michael Flad
Vice Chair



Jared Blumenfeld



Nicole Capretz



Wade Crowfoot



Bob Fisher



Mark Ghaly



David Kim



Alexis Podesta



Karen Ross

Kate Gordon

Council Chair, Director of the Governor's Office of Planning and Research and Senior Advisor to the Governor on Climate Change. Governor Newsom appointed Gordon in January 2019. Ken Alex held the position through December 2018.

Michael Flad

Vice Chair, Public Member. Assembly Speaker Anthony Rendon (D-Paramount) appointed Flad in March 2017.

Jared Blumenfeld

Council Member, Secretary, California Environmental Protection Agency. Governor Newsom appointed Blumenfeld in January 2019. Matt Rodriguez held the position through January 2019.

Nicole Capretz

Public Member. Senate Pro Tempore Toni Atkins appointed Capretz in August 2018. Manuel Pastor, an Appointee of then-Senate President Pro Tempore Kevin De Leon, held the position July 2018.

Wade Crowfoot

Council Member, Secretary, California Natural Resources Agency. Governor Newsom appointed Crowfoot in January 2019. John Laird held the position through December 2018.

Bob Fisher

Public Member. Fisher is the longest-serving Council member, appointed in 2009 by Governor Arnold Schwarzenegger.

Mark Ghaly

Council Member, Secretary, California Health and Human Services Agency. Governor Newsom appointed Ghaly in March 2019. Michael Wilkening held the position through February 2019.

David Kim

Council Member, Secretary, California State Transportation Agency. Governor Newsom appointed Kim in April 2019 and officially begins in July 2019. Brian Annis held the position through May 2019.

Alexis Podesta

Council Member, Secretary, California Business, Consumer Services and Housing Agency. Former Governor Jerry Brown appointed Podesta in February 2017.

Karen Ross

Council Member, Secretary, California Department of Food and Agriculture. Former Governor Jerry Brown appointed Ross in January 2011. Secretary Ross was reappointed by Governor Newsom in January 2019.



EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

In the 2018-19 Fiscal Year, SGC invested over half a billion Cap-and-Trade dollars back into California communities in its pursuit to create sustainable communities and tackle climate change.

The California Strategic Growth Council's (SGC) mission is to coordinate and work collaboratively with public agencies, communities, and stakeholders to achieve sustainability, equity, economic prosperity, and quality of life for all Californians. SGC implements its mission through four core activities:

- » **Investments** in community-led infrastructure, and conservation programs that help to reduce greenhouse gas emissions, improve air quality, and promote equity for all;
- » **Outreach and Technical Assistance** to support development of community-led sustainability visions and to enable all communities to access the State's Climate Change Investments Program (CCI);
- » **Integrated Policy Initiatives** that engage agencies and departments from all parts of the State to support sustainable development; take action

to support racial equity; and promote health and equity through all policies and programs; and

- » **Collaboration and Coordination** with member agencies, communities, and other stakeholders to design, implement, and evaluate program and policy activities.

This Annual Report details who our Council is, how we do our work, and where we are making investments in infrastructure, research, technical assistance, and capacity building – all of which are helping to realize SGC’s vision of healthy, thriving, and resilient communities for all. Below are a few key accomplishments in Fiscal Year (FY) 2018-19:

The Affordable Housing and Sustainable Communities Program (AHSC) Surpassed \$1 Billion in Investments in Integrated Housing and Transportation Projects

This year, AHSC, which is supported by a continuous appropriation from the Greenhouse Gas Reduction Fund (GGRF), awarded its largest set of investments to date (just over \$400 million), surpassing \$1 billion in total investments since the program’s inception in 2014.

The California Climate Investments Technical Assistance Program (TA) Launched an Innovative Community-Led Approach to Capacity Building in 10 New Jurisdictions and Two Regions and Supported Assistance for an Increasing Number of Programs

Bolstered by numerous success stories from partners and additional funding from the legislature, TA partnered with the Institute for Local Government to pilot a community led capacity building in ten jurisdictions and two regions.

For the first time, SGC developed a partnership to provide technical assistance to support the development

SGC’S CUMULATIVE IMPACT

\$1.5 BILLION INVESTED
THROUGH ITS GRANT PROGRAMS

PROVIDED OVER 

9,400

AFFORDABLE HOMES

 FOR FAMILIES IN NEED

SGC PROGRAMS HAVE REDUCED
3.1 MILLION TONNES OF CO₂E
EQUIVALENT TO
650,000  **FEWER CARS ON THE ROAD**

\$896 MILLION
INVESTED

— TO BENEFIT —

DISADVANTAGED COMMUNITIES

OVER
90,000
ACRES

— OPEN SPACE TO BE CONSERVED —

MORE THAN
\$80 MILLION
INVESTED
IN SUSTAINABLE PLANNING

of agricultural land conservation strategies through the Sustainable Agricultural Lands Conservation Program (SALC) and launched a partnership with the California Department of Food and Agriculture (CDFA) to support adoption of climate smart agricultural practices by California farmers.

The Climate Change Research Program (CCR) Distributed its First Round of Awards

SGC's newest grant program, CCR, distributed two rounds of awards in FY 18-19, totaling \$28 million across 14 projects. These projects seek to answer long-standing questions to help address the changing climate's impact on California's communities, and inform policies that protect vulnerable communities from climate realities.

The Council Adopted a Racial Equity Action Plan that Will Guide SGC's Investments, Operations, and Outreach Activities

SGC took a bold step this year, adopting a groundbreaking Racial Equity Action Plan, becoming one of the first cabinet-level multi-agency bodies in the nation to enact such a plan.



FY 2018–19 AGENCY FUNDING

\$402 AFFORDABLE HOUSING
MILLION & SUSTAINABLE
COMMUNITIES

\$47 SUSTAINABLE
MILLION AGRICULTURAL
LANDS CONSERVATION

\$46 TRANSFORMATIVE
MILLION CLIMATE
COMMUNITIES

\$28 CLIMATE CHANGE
MILLION RESEARCH

\$7 TECHNICAL
MILLION ASSISTANCE &
CAPACITY BUILDING

The Strategic Growth Council receives the majority of its funding from the Greenhouse Gas Reduction Fund (GGRF), distributed by the California Climate Investments Program (CCI). Using an integrated approach, SGC invests these funds in projects that facilitate the reduction or avoidance of greenhouse gas emissions and result in numerous other community benefits, with a focus on supporting disadvantaged and low-income communities. Each SGC program and initiative embodies the collaborative, cross-agency principles that form the core of SGC’s mission and vision.

SGC receives a 20-percent continuous appropriation from GGRF to support the Affordable Housing and Sustainable Communities Program (AHSC) (Public Resource Code Sec. 75200-75217). Ten percent of this allocation supports the Sustainable Agricultural Lands Conservation program (SALC), which helps serve a priority investment area identified in SGC’s enabling statute. SGC also receives annual appropriations that

support the Climate Change Research Program (CCR) and the Transformative Climate Communities Program (TCC), as well as a portion of SGC's Technical Assistance Program (TA).¹ TA is somewhat unique in that it is not competitively awarded in one Council decision but rather invested in a variety of ways customized to meet the needs of specific programs.

The chart on page 4 reflects SGC's investments by program in FY 2018-2019.

¹ California conducts quarterly auctions, which contribute to the GGRF. The grant awards detailed in this report were awarded by the Council in Fiscal Year 18-19, but in some cases, funds were from previous auction cycles.



COLLABORATION AND COORDINATION

“Through the Council, CDFA has been able to form cross-cutting alliances to leverage the work of our agencies. Our programs have greater impact ... specifically through our partnership on technical assistance in scaling up climate smart agriculture in the state.”

The Strategic Growth Council collaborates across California State government to administer and support several programs and provide technical assistance and capacity building support to communities statewide. In addition to its investment programs, SGC provides a productive venue to support cross-agency efforts to advance equity, sustainability, and resilience goals. SGC works with partner agencies to design, implement, and administer SGC's programs. Our partnerships harness existing expertise and systems already in place. Importantly, these collaborations build capacity across state departments and agencies to design and implement collaborative, cross-agency initiatives that are instrumental in efforts to address complex challenges for California's communities.

Interagency coordination is a fundamental component to each grant program and initiative housed at SGC, and happens through formal steering committees established to inform the development

and implementation of each program, as well as more informally through relationships. Through these channels, member agencies and other relevant departments regularly work with staff on grant program guideline development and revision, participate in project proposal evaluation, and provide support and guidance to grantees. Finally, SGC staff actively participate in interagency research groups as well as conferences and workshops in order to remain coordinated with agency partners and to support their efforts.

SGC also manages partnerships with several other State departments that administer its programs. These partnerships leverage specific areas of expertise and also serve to advance SGC’s collaborative model. The Department of Conservation (DOC) administers the Sustainable Agricultural Lands Conservation Program (SALC) and the Transformative Climate Communities Program (TCC). The California Department of Housing and Community

Development (HCD), within the Business, Consumer Services and Housing Agency (BCSH), implements the SGC’s Affordable Housing and Sustainable Communities (AHSC) program. And SGC works closely with California Air Resources Board (CARB) on design and reporting for all SGC programs.

Indeed, collaboration and coordination are crucial to administering and catalyzing SGC’s investments. Partnerships have helped inform SGC grant guidelines, and better align other agencies’ investments in housing, transportation, climate-smart agriculture, capacity building, and direct application assistance. According to SCG partner Jenny Lester Moffitt, Undersecretary of California Department of Food & Agriculture (CDFA), “Through the Council, CDFA has been able to form cross-cutting alliances to leverage the work of our agencies. Our programs have greater impact for California’s farmers and ranchers, specifically though our partnership on technical assistance in scaling up climate smart agriculture in the state.”

Partner agencies and departments include, but are not limited to:





INVESTING TO ADVANCE EQUITABLE CLIMATE SOLUTIONS

By supporting the development of climate-smart communities and advancing research to enhance the State's climate work, the SGC is blazing the path towards a cleaner and greener California.

SGC administered five grant programs in FY 2018-19, which vary depending on legislative direction, program design, and award amount. The common thread is that each program facilitates reductions in greenhouse gas emissions and supports healthy and resilient communities. Investments include, but are not limited to, affordable housing development located near transit; sidewalks and bike pathway infrastructure; technical assistance to help disadvantaged communities prepare for and access investment programs; research to inform policy decisions and actions; easements to protect agricultural land from conversion; and sustainable planning.

Together, SGC's investment programs support a collaborative systems-approach to advancing community sustainability and equity with the goal to achieve economic prosperity, and quality of life for all Californians.

SGC's Programs

Affordable Housing and Sustainable Communities

Invests in integrated housing and transportation projects designed to increase access to affordable housing and to enable residents to drive less by enhancing access to jobs and key destinations

Transformative Climate Communities

Empowers the communities most impacted by pollution to develop their own vision and identify strategies and projects to reduce greenhouse gas emissions and local air pollution

Climate Change Research

Invests in cross-cutting research based on community and stakeholder engagement to build community resilience, examine equity implications of policy actions, and to integrate conservation and development

California Climate investments Technical Assistance

Creates more equitable access to investment programs by helping under-resourced applicants access the funds to transition to climate-smart communities

Sustainable Agricultural Lands Conservation

Fights climate change by protecting at-risk agricultural lands from conversion to higher emitting uses and encouraging compact transit-oriented communities.



PROMOTING INTEGRATED POLICY SOLUTIONS

In order to maximize the benefits of our investments, we help strengthen capacity at all levels of government to support community-led projects that address local needs.

The Strategic Growth Council's mission to create healthy, sustainable communities takes many forms. The grant programs housed within SGC implement the State's goals and priorities at the community level. SGC further advances this work through collaborative action facilitated through our policy initiatives, which include **Health in All Policies**, and the **High-Speed Rail Initiative**, a partnership with the High-Speed Rail Authority (HRSA).

The Health in All Policies (HiAP) program works with more than 20 State agencies and departments to develop innovative solutions that create healthy places to live, work, learn, and play.² HiAP is integral to SGC's mission to support vibrant, healthy, resilient communities for all Californians. As SGC's investment programs have evolved and grown, HiAP staff have helped to integrate health and equity considerations

² sgc.ca.gov

into each program. Looking ahead, HiAP will help to develop a more robust system to track the health and equity impacts of these investments.

Recognizing that racial inequities persist across many factors –life expectancy, health, education, income, neighborhood design, and in the workforce – HiAP launched the Government Alliance on Race and Equity (GARE) Capitol Cohort in 2018. GARE’s Capitol Cohort is its first state-level initiative in the country. GARE, a nationally-recognized program, provides training and support for participating agencies and departments to integrate racial equity throughout programs, policies, and operations. In 2019, GARE provided training to State agencies to develop their own guidance and action plans aimed towards reducing existing, systematic racial inequities. For more information on HiAP, refer to page 36.

The High-Speed Rail (HSR) Initiative recognizes the projected impact of high-speed rail on future land use and development in California. The relationship between SGC and HSR grew from the recognition of common organizational objectives, and the ability to advance these objectives more effectively through a collaborative relationship. Since SGC focuses on sustainable development, land use and conservation, HSRA and SGC entered into a formal partnership in 2014. The HSR initiative at SGC facilitates technical assistance to high-speed rail communities, and supports two tools that help local governments plan for investments. For more information on this initiative and tools, refer to page 40.



AFFORDABLE HOUSING AND SUSTAINABLE COMMUNITIES

AHSC projects reduce approximately 2.1 million tonnes of CO₂-equivalent – like taking 14,862 cars off the road every year.

The Strategic Growth Council's Affordable Housing and Sustainable Communities Program (AHSC) provides grants and affordable housing loans for compact transit-oriented development, transportation infrastructure, and programs that support residents. Established in 2014, AHSC was the first Greenhouse Gas Reduction Fund (GGRF)-supported grant program established at SGC (Public Resource Code Sec. 75200-75217) and receives a 20-percent continuous appropriation³ from the GGRF. AHSC projects increase the accessibility of housing, employment centers, and key destinations by helping to create low-carbon transportation options such as walking, biking, and transit, resulting in fewer vehicle miles

³ In accordance with the priorities outlined SGC's enabling statute, SGC allocates 10 percent of its continuous appropriation for AHSC to support agricultural land conservation through the Sustainable Agricultural Lands Conservation (SALC) Program (SALC). SALC is discussed in more detail in the following section.

traveled (VMT). SGC uses tailored outreach, capacity building, and technical assistance to enable communities with a range of available resources to access AHSC. In June 2019, SGC awarded its fourth round of AHSC funding, completing its first 12-month cycle for awards. Refer to Appendix A for project information. Moving to this annual cycle further establishes AHSC as a predictable and consistent funding source for project developers.

AHSC Promotes Coordinated, Local Planning for Integrated Projects with a Community Focus

Housing infrastructure that is accessible to residents of all income levels is at the center of all AHSC investments. AHSC housing developments serve a variety of groups including families, veterans, those experiencing homeless and chronic homelessness, transition-aged youth, and seniors, by providing housing at moderate to deep levels of affordability.

AHSC encourages partnerships between local municipalities, transit agencies, and housing developers in order to achieve integration of affordable housing and transportation projects. Developers site dense, income-restricted housing in transit and amenity-rich neighborhoods. Localities plan walking and biking infrastructure improvements to connect the neighborhood to transit and increase access to transportation options. Transit agencies often engage by increasing trip frequency on existing routes, improving transit infrastructure such as bus stops or light rail stations, or creating entirely new routes. AHSC also provides resources to benefit residents of housing developments. These can include workforce development partnerships, infrastructure that makes it safer for kids to bike and walk to school, and bicycle education classes, which are often planned in partnership with community-based organizations. Together, the partnerships at the heart of AHSC planning efforts result in investments coordinated to maximize benefits to communities.

Eighty percent of AHSC investments benefit disadvantaged and low-income communities.⁴ AHSC projects increase community livability through pedestrian-oriented improvements such as sidewalk and bikeway expansion, urban greening, traffic-calming measures, and transit expansion. In order to maximize benefits for community members, program incentives encourage applicants to engage the community as they create project proposals. Many projects demonstrate early and continuous engagement that results in adjustments to project scopes to better meet community needs.

AHSC projects combat inequity by providing stable, affordable housing in neighborhoods with nearby key destinations such as grocery stores, pharmacies, schools, and libraries while expanding the reach and accessibility of public transit. By reducing rent burdens, increasing accessibility to jobs centers and key destinations, improving local air quality and providing stable housing situations, AHSC projects help change the outlook for historically under-resourced communities and low-income individuals.

AHSC Extends Opportunity, Transparency, and Collaboration Through Outreach and Technical Assistance

AHSC staff work with Technical Assistance (TA) providers to help localities create “project pipelines” by engaging inter-departmental working groups to identify potential projects and shape them according to AHSC sustainability and equity objectives. The goal of this work is to assist low-capacity applicants to create community-scale projects focused on building up safe, healthy neighborhoods for residents in regions across the State. TA support for AHSC project proposals helps put communities on a more equitable playing field when competing for funds. In the recent fourth round of funding, the Council awarded AHSC projects to 14 of 19 TA recipients.

⁴ As identified by CalEnviroScreen 3.0.

Outreach is a key component in accomplishing AHSC's goals and outcomes, and program staff have prioritized actions to reach a diverse audience across the state. Since July 2018, AHSC staff and TA providers have engaged dozens of outreach events aimed at engaging potential applicants for Rounds 4 and 5 of AHSC funding. In addition to presenting key information on the program, staff and TA providers have advised communities on how to develop competitive projects and facilitated partnerships for potential applicant teams, with a focus on providing support to disadvantaged and low-income communities. Overall, this has helped AHSC develop a reputation for opportunity, transparency, and collaboration.

Prior to the release of the Round 4 Guidelines, program staff conducted three state-wide "Lessons Learned" workshops in Fresno, Los Angeles, and Oakland. Staff also held a webinar to collect feedback on AHSC Guidelines. Once the Round 4 Notice of Funding Availability (NOFA) was released in October 2018, AHSC staff conducted six application workshops in Sacramento, Oakland, Fresno, Los Angeles, Riverside, and San Diego. These workshops focused on changes to the program from previous rounds, a walk-through of the greenhouse gas quantification methodology, and general principles for developing projects. Additionally, AHSC offered 20-minute consultations to any applicant that wanted clarification or feedback on project scope and requirements. The outreach conducted by staff, in combination with the in-depth assistance provided by SGC-contracted TA team, resulted in very strong Round 4 applications. Since the February application due date, program staff and TA providers have continued outreach and capacity building efforts in order to encourage robust projects for Round 5 and beyond. AHSC, like many of SGC's grant programs, is continuously evolving. Staff will continue to look to community audiences for ways to improve and meet the needs of diverse populations across the state.

Four Rounds of AHSC Funding to Date

In order to create a more predictable cycle for applicants, SGC conducted Round 4 of AHSC over a 12-month cycle, which will continue for future rounds. To date, AHSC has awarded more than \$1.2 billion to 102 projects. These awards contribute to the construction of over 9,400 housing units, over 85-percent of which are affordable; more than 150 miles of new or improved bike lanes; and more than 1,000 new or improved crosswalks. Beyond increasing housing and transportation options, projects improve climate resiliency through water and energy conservation features, infrastructure hardening, low-impact development, and community programming. Most projects also incorporate local workforce development strategies, often by partnering with job training programs or Workforce Investment Boards.

Since the first call for applications in January 2015, AHSC has strived to fund greenhouse gas emissions-reducing affordable housing and transportation infrastructure in communities across California. AHSC projects have resulted in a number of co-benefits and, as it prepares for its fifth round of funding, the program continues to expand the metrics it tracks. In June 2019, AHSC awarded \$402,117,497 for 25 projects. These projects will be the first to report on employment outcomes, including the number of jobs provided and the benefits associated with those jobs. (Refer to Appendix A for project information.)

In the fourth round of AHSC, SGC received 47 applications requesting over \$670 million in funding. After review and scoring, the program remained oversubscribed, and SGC awarded funds to 25 projects. These projects will invest nearly \$394m in low-income communities,⁵ including more than \$312m in communities that also qualify as disadvantaged.⁶ Following the Council's approval of the AHSC projects, Mark Hamilton, Housing Program Supervisor of the City of Merced said, "Because of the interconnectivity this

⁵ As identified by CalEnviroScreen 3.0.

⁶ As defined by HCD's State Income Limits.

project brings, young residents in our community will now be able to feel safe walking and riding their bikes to school, and this project will help us buy our first Electric Vehicle bus, which will bring in more investment down the road. The AHSC award is far-reaching and goes beyond the project. It is not just a housing or transportation project – it is a community project.”

Over 65-percent of the total funds awarded will support affordable housing and related infrastructure, exceeding statutory requirements to allocate at least 50-percent of the total AHSC for affordable housing. When completed, the funded projects will provide more than 3,046 units of housing and 2,571 of these units will be affordable across a range of incomes. Of these units, 705 will provide supportive services for people experiencing chronic homelessness or particular medical conditions.

All projects funded also connect affordable housing and key destinations to transit – including bus, bus rapid transit, light rail, and vanpool services – through walking and/or bicycling infrastructure. More than \$134 million in AHSC funding, or 33-percent of the total funding available in Round 4, will support bicycle and pedestrian infrastructure, transit station area improvements, transit service, transportation demand management, and other transportation improvements supporting critical connectivity between housing, key destinations, and transit. (Refer to Appendix A for project information.) Additional funding will be provided for three years of discounted or free transit passes to all residents of affordable housing developments. All the projects funded include transportation-related investments.

CASE STUDY

Twin Rivers – AHSC Leveraging Transformative Climate Communities Investment in Sacramento

In December of 2018, SGC’s Transformative Climate Communities (TCC) program awarded the City of Sacramento a \$23.5 million grant. The TCC grant will fund a multitude of investments in Sacramento’s River District, including contributing to a first phase of the redevelopment of the Twin Rivers affordable housing project, a new light rail station, redevelopment of bike lanes, urban greening, stormwater management features, a community garden, and workforce development plans. With even bigger plans on the horizon, the City coordinated with a developer to apply to AHSC for the second phase of housing for Twin Rivers. In June 2019, SGC awarded nearly \$19 million to the Twin Rivers AHSC project, to fund housing along with more than 2 miles of protected bikeways, cross-walk safety enhancements, bicycle safety courses, and increased frequency on a local bus route.

TCC’s initial place-based investment in the River District made the AHSC application more competitive by leveraging those dollars along with the community engagement, plans, and programs produced through the TCC process. In turn, the AHSC grant complements the TCC project and fills remaining gaps.

Engagement-Driven Outcomes in Kern County

In June 2018, AHSC awarded the rural Kern County community of Lamont \$8,226,250 to address community concerns around housing, transportation, air quality, and public safety. Lamont is an unincorporated community of approximately 15,000 residents located in the southeast corner of the San Joaquin Valley, and has been a destination for migrant farm workers since the 1930s. The community is heavily dependent on agriculture and is one of the poorest in the State.

The funded project, Mountain View Village, is a model applicant for engagement and collaborative practices. Lamont applied for AHSC funds in Round 2, but did not receive an award. Learning from the experience, community members founded the Affordable Housing Coalition of Kern County (AHCKC), which convened a diverse group of stakeholder partners. This collaboration and partnership enabled Lamont to develop a more competitive application that received funding in AHSC's third round in June 2018.

Mountain View Village will provide a 41-unit zero-net-energy affordable housing development in Lamont for households earning less than 50-percent of the Area Medium Income (AMI). The development includes space for a variety of activities, including preventative health, nutrition, and bicycle education services. Residents and the surrounding community will be connected to major employment centers, schools, and many other key destinations through

transit, bicycle paths, new sidewalks, and vanpool rideshares. Additionally, residents of Mountain View Village will receive subsidized transit passes for Kern Regional Transit. The transportation infrastructure investments will accommodate the region's future employment and housing needs, especially in rural outlying areas, while also protecting habitat and resource areas.

Enhanced community engagement directly affected this project's scope and outcome. For example, Lamont residents expressed concern about high electricity bills and poor air quality. To address these concerns, they revised the Mountain View Village plan as a zero-net-energy development with 100-percent solar power to virtually eliminate tenant utility bills and enhance air quality. In addition, the van rideshare program will help connect residents of Lamont to major employment and key destinations within Kern County, while also reducing greenhouse gas emissions. According to Stephen Pelz, Executive Director of the Kern County Housing Authority, "Lamont's children will be safer, as they will have sidewalks and bicycle routes to walk and ride on to school, something many in other communities take for granted. It will begin a path towards a more sustainable future, with the first zero-net-energy development in the area and new options for transit and rideshare. And finally, Lamont will be proud of the significant investment in their community, thereby building confidence of a brighter future."



SUSTAINABLE AGRICULTURAL LANDS CONSERVATION PROGRAM

SALC's mission is to support California's need for agricultural conservation, economic growth, and sustainable development. To date, SALC has conserved over 90,000 acres of open space.

The Affordable Housing and Sustainable Communities statute (Public Resource Code Sec. 75200-75217) directs the Strategic Growth Council to improve connectivity and accessibility to jobs, housing, and services, while also protecting agricultural lands to support infill development. To achieve conservation of agricultural lands, SGC established the Sustainable Agricultural Lands Conservation Program (SALC) in 2014. SGC allocates to SALC 10 percent of its continuous appropriation for AHSC to protect agricultural lands that are at risk of conversion to more greenhouse gas-intensive uses.

California loses, on average, approximately 50,000 acres of farmland per year, mostly due to urbanization.⁷ Land on the outskirts of urbanized areas are particularly vulnerable to sprawl development patterns that result in

⁷ California Department of Conservation Farmland Mapping and Monitoring Program data from 1992-2016, <https://www.conservation.ca.gov/dlrp/fmmp/Pages/Farmland%20Conversion%20Reports.aspx>.

high vehicle miles traveled and associated greenhouse gas emissions. SALC's mission is to support California's need for agricultural conservation, economic growth, and sustainable development. SALC permanently protects agriculture and ranch lands through the purchase of conservation easements.

The principal goal of SALC is to maintain agricultural land uses and to advance the State's climate goals by avoiding greenhouse gas emissions associated with the conversion of California's agricultural land to non-agricultural uses, particularly low-density residential development. Agricultural land preservation provides many additional benefits, including carbon capture in the land base.⁸ By protecting the lands we depend on, SALC simultaneously supports California's food security⁹ and many SALC projects can also protect open spaces, watersheds, riparian corridors, oak woodlands, special plant species, and seasonal migration routes. These contributions to conserve land, develop compactly, and expand ecosystem potential further SGC's work on community sustainability and resiliency.

SALC Outreach is Broadening the Program's Reach

SALC staff held four workshops in FY 18-19 and provided technical assistance to land trusts, cities, counties, local area formation districts, and other eligible applicants. Staff met with interested stakeholders to provide an overview of the program, including eligibility criteria, application information, and priority regions for SALC's fifth round. In addition, SALC staff reviewed with potential applicants the changes made in its 2018-2019 program guidelines. Workshops held in Fall 2018 solicited feedback on the funding guidelines and program changes. Workshops held in Spring 2019 provided application assistance to prospective applications. Workshops were held in Escondido, Modesto, Sacramento, and Ventura, and broadcasted across the state via webinar.

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SALC Provides Two Types of Awards: Planning Grants and Agricultural Conservation Easement Grants

Planning Grants

Planning grants support the development of local and regional land use policies and plans to protect agricultural land. SALC funds strategies related to establishing and implementing goals, policies, and objectives to support the economic viability of the local agricultural sector. It also supports planning processes to identify and designate priority lands for conservation and development.¹⁰

In Round 5, SGC adopted several changes to the planning grant component of the program in order to increase participation in the planning grant program. These changes included increasing the scope of available project types and broadening eligible applicants to include Local Area Formation Commissions and special districts, in addition to cities and counties. Applicants may propose innovative projects that establish a comprehensive set of goals, policies, and objectives to support the long-term viability and protection of agricultural land, identify and designate priority land for conservation and/or identify and designate a set of feasible implementation measures. Previous planning grant recipients have demonstrated that SALC planning grants can contribute to the successful development of strategic plans to identify priority lands for protection.

Agricultural Conservation Easement Grants

Agricultural Conservation Easement Grants are used to permanently protect croplands and rangelands that are at risk of conversion to sprawl development. Agricultural conservation easements are deed restrictions that landowners voluntarily place on a property to preserve the land's agricultural uses.¹¹

Four Rounds of SALC Grants Awarded Since 2014

SGC has awarded four rounds of SALC grants to date, and in each round demand has exceeded available funding. Since 2014, SALC has distributed \$123 million to land trusts and local governments, funding 60 easements projects and conserving more than 90,000 acres of natural and working lands. In FY 2018-19, the Council awarded \$48.9 million to 18 conservation easement projects. See Appendix B for list of funded projects. These projects have executed grant agreements and the grantees are working to complete acquisition of conservation easements by 2021.

The Council approved updates to the 2018-19 SALC Guidelines in late 2018. Round 5 of SALC funding is anticipated to be awarded during FY 19-20 in December.

¹⁰ Strategic Growth Council. "SALC Fact Sheet." California Strategic Growth Council, 2019, http://sgc.ca.gov/programs/salc/docs/20190514-SALC_FactSheet.pdf

¹¹ SALC Fact Sheet: http://sgc.ca.gov/programs/salc/docs/20190514SALC_FactSheet.pdf

CASE STUDY

Saving Vulnerable Agricultural Land and Limiting Urban Sprawl in the Rural Santa Clara Valley

Over the last three decades, Santa Clara County has experienced a drastic loss in agricultural land of – approximately 21,000 acres.¹² Much of this land has been converted to residential and commercial development. Once known as “The Valley of Heart’s Delight,” – the largest fruit production and packing region in the world – much of Santa Clara County has slowly transformed into the largely urbanized Silicon Valley.¹³ In order to stem the loss of agricultural land, SGC’s SALC awarded the County a \$100,000 Planning Grant in 2015.¹⁴

Santa Clara County and the Santa Clara Valley Open Space Authority (SCVOSA) collaborated on this grant to lead the development and ultimate adoption of the Santa Clara Valley Agricultural Plan, which focuses on the more rural southern half of Santa Clara County, and articulates a vision and framework by which the County will achieve three key goals:

- » Keep the current working lands in agriculture;
- » Honor the importance of agriculture to Santa Clara Valley; and

- » Craft a unified regional land use policy framework for the future.¹⁵

The County has taken positive steps to implement the plan since its adoption in 2018. According to Andrea Mackenzie, General Manager of the Santa Clara Valley Open Space Authority: “The Santa Clara Valley Agricultural Plan has already had very real results in informing strategic conservation of farmland as a climate mitigation tool. It helped create a new Agricultural Plan Program Manager position at the County and is encouraging interest amongst farmers that they can be part of the climate solution...additionally, our Local Agency Formation Commission invoked it to help reject applications for annexation of prime farmland and encourage infill development rather than sprawl.”

In support of plan implementation, SGC awarded an additional \$100,000 during SALC’s third funding round in 2017 to create a regional Agricultural Conservation Easement Purchasing Program (ACEPP).¹⁶ The process of developing the plan fostered collaboration and built capacity among stakeholders needed to create this regional land conservation program. Successful implementation of the ACEPP is projected to reduce greenhouse gas emissions by

12 Cal Conservation. “Notes From the Field.” Notes From the Field, 22 Feb. 2019. calconservation.blog/2019/02/22/santa-clara-county-makes-ag-conservation-a-priority/.

13 Ibid

14 Strategic Growth Council. “Staff Report: FY 2014-15 Sustainable Agricultural Lands Conservation Program: Recommended Awards.” California Strategic Growth Council, 2015. sgc.ca.gov/programs/salc/docs/20150623-APPROVED_FINAL_SALC_Staff_Report_for_posting.pdf. Pg.4

15 County of Santa Clara, and Santa Clara Valley Open Space Authority. Santa Clara Valley Agricultural Plan: Investing In Our Working Lands For Regional Resilience. 2018, Santa Clara Valley Agricultural Plan: Investing In Our Working Lands For Regional Resilience, www.sccgov.org/sites/dpd/DocsForms/Documents/SCV_ActionPlan.pdf. P.5

16 Strategic Growth Council. “Sustainable Agricultural Lands Conservation Program FY2016-17 Projects Approved for Award.” California Strategic Growth Council, 2016. sgc.ca.gov/programs/salc/docs/20171205-2016-17_Table_Project_Approved_for_Award.pdf. Pg.2

about 50,000 million tons of carbon dioxide-equivalent during the first 10 years of implementation.¹⁷

Finally, due to the successful planning instituted as a result of the 2015 Planning Grant, including the creation of ACEPP, Santa Clara County subsequently received a SALC implementation grant to protect a portion of these lands. In 2018, SGC awarded Santa Clara County three grants totaling approximately \$15 million to support the acquisition of roughly 251 acres of prime farmland.¹⁸ In a span of 30 years, this award alone is expected to reduce vehicle miles traveled (VMT) by 835 million miles and reduce greenhouse gas emissions by 309 MT carbon dioxide-equivalent. The acquisition will not only protect the farmland from residential development, but will also serve to strengthen regional food supply, protect open space, and reduce greenhouse gases, according to the plan.

Demonstrating that these plans are translating into action, the Santa Clara County Local Agency Formation Commission denied annexation of 1,300 acres of prime farmland, citing the Santa Clara Valley Plan as justification for that action. Refer to Appendix B for project information.

Efforts in Santa Clara Valley clearly advance SALC's goals to protect at-risk agricultural lands from conversion to more greenhouse gas-intensive land uses.

17 Strategic Growth Council. "Sustainable Agricultural Lands Conservation Program Strategy and Outcome Grant Application Summary." California Strategic Growth Council, 2016, sgc.ca.gov/programs/salc/docs/20180425-2016-17_ProjectSummaries.pdf. Pg. 53

18 Strategic Growth Council. "Sustainable Agricultural Lands Conservation Program: Agricultural Land Conservation Easement Summary." California Strategic Growth Council, 2018, sgc.ca.gov/programs/salc/docs/20190204-2017-2018_Project_Summaries_Combined.pdf. Pg. 27-32 18 IBID Pg. 27-32



TRANSFORMATIVE CLIMATE COMMUNITIES PROGRAM

TCC empowers communities to select a vision, strategies and projects to enact transformational change – all with data-driven milestones and measurable outcomes.

Assembly Bill 2722¹⁹ established the Transformative Climate Communities Program (TCC) in 2016 (Public Resources Code Sec. 75240-75243). TCC addresses the disproportionate impacts of poverty and pollution on California's most disadvantaged communities through support of community-led development and infrastructure projects that achieve major environmental, health, and economic benefits.

Funded by California's Greenhouse Gas Reduction Fund through the State's Climate Change Investments program TCC empowers communities to develop a vision, strategies, and projects to enact transformational change through a community engagement process and with data-driven milestones and measurable outcomes. Each TCC investment supports multiple, coordinated greenhouse gas emissions reduction

¹⁹ Transformative Climate Communities Program, Burke, Chapter 371.

projects that provide local economic, environmental, and health benefits to the State’s most disadvantaged communities.

TCC Supports Integrated, Community-Based Projects to Advance Climate Action

TCC advances local climate action in disadvantaged communities through an integrated, community-based approach. Each TCC grant requires a significant leverage investment for awarded projects. This requirement enables communities to engage in meaningful stakeholder collaboration and establish partnerships with multiple parties.

The Strategic Growth Council provides technical assistance to all applicants during the application process. These technical assistance providers help applicants develop their TCC vision and the project components to support that vision. And, after applicants submit their proposals, technical assistance providers work with them again to quantify their projects’ expected greenhouse gas emissions reductions. This technical assistance – a key to TCC’s approach to serving California’s most disadvantaged communities – enables these communities to build capacity for competitive applications.

TCC Funds Both Planning and Implementation Grants

To date, SGC has awarded two rounds of TCC grants, both of which included both implementation and planning grants. TCC makes all awards through a competitive process.

Implementation Grants

TCC Implementation Grants provide significant investments to support community-led transformations through place-based developments in some of California’s most disadvantaged communities. TCC Implementation Grant guidelines require successful applicants to develop community engagement plans that demonstrate stakeholder engagement in all steps of the process – from application development through

implementation. Implementation Grants constitute large investments in many integrated projects, rather than funding single projects.

To Date, TCC Has Made the Following Implementation Grants:

Funding Cycle	Awardee	Amount
Round 1	City of Fresno	\$66.5 Million
Round 1	Watts community in the City of Los Angeles	\$33 Million
Round 1	City of Ontario	\$33 Million
Round 2	Los Angeles neighborhood of Pacoima	\$23 Million
Round 2	City of Sacramento	\$23 Million

Planning Grants

TCC Planning Grants help communities prepare for Implementation Grants or other funding options. Awardees can use the funds to develop materials for the transformative requirements, including displacement avoidance and community engagement. Planning grants allow for stakeholder collaboration and provide local governments in disadvantaged communities with capacity to establish community investments necessary for transformative impacts. Grantees might use planning grant dollars to conduct community engagement activities and stakeholder outreach, or to complete studies on workforce development, transit or active transportation, housing, demographics and labor markets, and a variety of other topics that support community-driven planning. Unlike TCC implementation grants, the program’s planning grants originate from Proposition 84 funding, rather than from the Greenhouse Gas Reduction Fund (GGRF).

In December 2019, SGC approved implementation awards to the Pacoima neighborhood of Los Angeles and Twin Rivers in Sacramento (see below). Through these awards, SGC will fund a total of 12 projects across the two sites, including electric buses, car-sharing, single-family energy efficiency measures, urban tree planting, affordable housing, transit system expansion, and new transportation services. Together, these two

sites also secured \$173 million in leverage funds – or 376 percent of the total TCC grant award amount – to pay for additional, complementary projects. Refer to Appendix C for project information.

To Date, TCC Has Made the Following Planning Grants:

Funding Cycle:	Awardee:	Amount:
Round 1	City of Moreno Valley	\$94,000
Round 1	City of Oakland	\$170,000
Round 1	City of Richmond	\$170,000
Round 1	City of Stockton	\$170,000
Round 1	Gateway Cities Council of Governments	\$170,000
Round 1	Sacramento Area Council of Governments	\$170,000
Round 1	Los Angeles County	\$170,000
Round 1	Riverside County	\$170,000
Round 1	Coachella Valley Association of Governments	\$170,000
Round 1	Bay Area Air Quality Management District	\$170,000
Round 2	City of Bakersfield	\$200,000
Round 2	City of McFarland	\$200,000
Round 2	County of Tulare	\$200,000
Round 2	Los Angeles Department of City Planning	\$200,000
Round 2	City of Indio	\$200,000

TCC is an entirely new type of grant program that required development of a single grant agreement that integrates multiple project types and project partners. Development of the grant agreement template required engagement from awardees, project partners, and numerous State agencies. In 2019, the TCC team and SGC finalized grant agreements for the Round 1 awardees: Fresno, Watts, and Ontario. These communities can begin to spend the funds needed for

transformative impacts. The Round 1 grant agreements provide a template that will support more rapid implementation of future rounds of awards.

TCC Outreach and Program Evolution

TCC evolves with each year of funding and implementation. Due to TCC’s holistic approach, staff work closely with other State agencies to gather insight and expertise on different program dimensions and project types.

TCC staff regularly convene a working group to help with the Guidelines development process. A steering committee comprising representatives from SGC member agencies and other departments inform key policy and program decisions. TCC staff also conduct significant outreach to inform program development. For both Rounds I and II, staff held meetings in communities across the state that included elected officials, and representatives from community organizations and public agencies.

Looking ahead, SGC is considering further evolution of TCC, including diversifying what types of housing the program can fund and criteria for applicant eligibility.

Program Evaluation Partnership with University of California Los Angeles

During Round 1 of the program, SGC contracted with the Luskin Center for Innovation at the University of California, Los Angeles (UCLA) to develop an evaluation plan that Luskin will implement throughout the five-year grant term and during the two-year post-award period. The evaluation plan identifies specific data and indicators that grantees are required by the California Air Resources Board (CARB) to collect for each project type. It also identifies additional indicators for each of the three Round 1 sites (Fresno, Watts, Ontario). The evaluation will assess TCC implementation progress, and will help track project outcomes at the neighborhood level. Round 2 awardees each have a program evaluation technical assistance provider, who works with them to implement the evaluation plan discussed above.

Linking Sacramento's River District to Thriving Downtown

Located north of downtown, Sacramento's River District has been disconnected from the rest of the city for decades due to number of natural and human-made barriers. Bordered by the American and Sacramento Rivers, a levee, and the Union Pacific railroad tracks, the River District's most common river crossings include two freeways with limited bike and pedestrian crossings. Transit connectivity to the center of Sacramento is also very limited. As a result, although the neighborhood is physically close to Sacramento's center, the opportunities there – and the economic growth and prosperity associated with them – remain inaccessible to many River District residents.

In an effort to improve the quality of life for residents of the River District, the Sacramento Housing and Redevelopment Agency (SHRA) collaborated with local stakeholders and leaders as the TCC Collaborative, and developed a plan for economic and environmental transformation in the proposed River District Area. In 2018, the partnership won a \$23 million TCC grant to implement its plan. Sacramento prides itself on its plan to improve the neighborhood with the help of many local small businesses, organizations, residents, and students. Approximately 900 local residents participated in over 60 workshops, surveys, and meetings to develop the transformative plan at the heart of the application. Reflecting community priorities, Sacramento's plan will invest in

affordable housing, improved transit access, rooftop solar systems, bikeshare and carshare systems, and urban greening.

The proposed Project Area covers nearly 2.77 square miles and is home to approximately 10,500 residents who stand to benefit from the 104 multi-family and mixed income housing units, a new light rail station across the street from the Twin Rivers public housing project, 380 planted trees, and other amenities. The housing project will include solar panels, a mobility hub with a bike share and electric vehicle car share, and a 25,000 square-foot community garden with 40-50 plots for residents. The planned light rail station will provide a truly transformative impact to the Twin Rivers Sacramento community. Presently, the light rail runs adjacent to this community, but residents do not have access to a station in their neighborhood. Providing a light rail station to the residents will, for the first time, allow community members to connect freely to employment centers, commercial retail, services and important amenities.

In addition to TCC's \$23 million grant, local Sacramento leaders leveraged \$125.4 million to support projects that will provide many co-benefits. These community enhancements will reduce approximately 17,571 tonnes of greenhouse gas emissions.



CALIFORNIA CLIMATE INVESTMENTS TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

CCI TA helps applicants from low income and disadvantaged communities develop competitive projects and apply for funding that will provide multiple economic, environmental and health benefits.

The Strategic Growth Council partners with other California Climate Investments Program (CCI) implementing agencies and has supported its own programs through the California Climate Investments Technical Assistance (CCI TA) program since the Budget Act of 2015.

CCI TA creates a more equitable playing field by helping under-resourced applicants access the funding programs designed to facilitate a transition to climate-smart communities.²⁰ California has made a strong commitment to investing a significant portion of CCI funds in the communities that bear the heaviest pollution and socioeconomic burden in the state. Per SB 535 and AB 1550, at least 35 percent of cap-and-trade proceeds must be invested in disadvantaged and low-income communities. But many of these communities do not have the resources and staff capacity needed to apply and successfully compete for these

²⁰ SB 826, Leno. Budget Act of 2016.

competitive grant programs. Through direct application assistance and capacity building activities, CCI TA helps applicants from low-income and disadvantaged communities develop competitive projects and apply for funding that will provide multiple economic, environmental, and health benefits.

CCI TA received an initial \$2 million appropriation in 2016, which supported TA for a number of CCI-funded projects and programs. Building on the success of the first two years of the program, the Legislature appropriated an additional \$2 million for SGC's TA. In June 2018, the Council voted to allocate \$5 million to support and expand TA.

CCI TA Goals & Structure

CCI TA has three main goals:

- » **Direct Assistance:** Increase the number of successful CCI grant applications from disadvantaged and low-income communities by providing direct assistance in preparing applications and quantifying greenhouse gas reductions.
- » **Capacity Building:** Strengthen the capacity of disadvantaged and low-income communities in identifying potential projects, creating cross-sector partnerships, and finding appropriate CCI to meet community needs.
- » **Integrating CCI:** Align technical assistance efforts to facilitate an understanding of the full suite of programs available under CCI umbrella, and provide the services necessary to create multi-faceted projects that integrate more than one CCI.

Each CCI program has its own set of goals and intended outcomes, and grantees often require technical assistance to design projects and programs that address them. SGC has worked with a number of CCI-administering agencies to design TA that is tailored to each program and the needs of its applicants. In many cases, technical assistance is provided through partnerships among State agencies and outside organizations with expertise in each program's focus areas. In FY 2017-2018, SGC launched a number

of TA pilot programs in partnership with CCI-administering agencies. A description of each of the technical assistance programs that CCI TA has supported to date is listed in Appendix D. Staff engaged heavily in project implementation and management for these TA contracts in FY 2018-2019.

Climate Smart Agriculture and UC ANR Partnership

In FY 2018-2019 CCI TA worked with the California Department of Food and Agriculture (CDFA) to offer Climate Smart Agriculture Application Assistance. This pilot provided hands-on application technical assistance to California farmers and ranchers in applying for CDFA's Climate Smart Agriculture Programs, including the Healthy Soils Program, the State Water Efficiency and Enhancement Program, and the Alternative Manure Management Program. A review of this pilot made clear the need to expand and encourage the adoption of science-based climate smart farming and ranching practices across the state. In order to address this need, SGC supported a robust \$1.1 million partnership between CDFA and the University of California Agriculture & Natural Resources (UC ANR) to assist farmers in implementing solutions to mitigate climate change, such as soil health; nutrient, irrigation, and manure management; as well as on-farm composting. This partnership furthers SGC's mission by helping farmers and ranchers pursue innovative practices to reduce greenhouse gases, while also providing a number of other environmental and economic benefits.

Institute for Local Government Capacity Building Initiatives

The Budget Act of 2018 allocated \$1 million to the Institute for Local Government (ILG) to create a partnership with SGC to provide technical assistance to cities and counties to help them address climate change. This budget allocation provides an opportunity for ILG to complement and reinforce current SGC efforts to build the capacity of cities and counties serving disadvantaged communities. ILG's program design intends to strengthen relationships and trust between local

and state agencies. Through this partnership, ILG will provide hands-on support to 10 cities and two regions across the state, tailoring focus areas to local priorities. ILG will also take a regional approach by advancing climate action through capacity building pilot projects serving two regions of California.

Senate Bill 1072, Regional Climate Collaboratives

Senate Bill (SB) 1072 directs SGC to work with under-resourced communities to create Regional Climate Collaboratives, which will provide “capacity building services to assist in building the community-driven leadership, knowledge, skills, experience, and resources to identify and access public funding for climate change mitigation and adaptation projects.” Collaboratives will serve as regional stakeholder groups that will help identify needs in under-resourced, disadvantaged, and rural communities that face both immediate impacts of climate change and unique barriers to preparation. Ultimately, the program will support communities in identifying and accessing the tools and resources they need to apply for and receive grant funding available to them.

SB 1072 also directs SGC to develop technical assistance guidelines that State agencies may use to design technical assistance programming for under-resourced communities, or develop additional internal TA policies, standards, or guidelines specific

to the agency’s programs. These TA Guidelines will also provide best practices and successful models for implementing TA. As many initial TA pilots come to a close, TA Guidelines present an opportunity for SGC to evaluate key best practices and lessons learned from SGC’s CCI TA, as well as other TA and capacity building work happening throughout the State. SGC has not yet received state funding to implement this program. Since SB 1072’s inception, however, staff has engaged with State agency and community partners to develop more clarity around potential models and desired outcomes for the program.

2018 Community Leadership Summit: Best Practices for Building Successful Projects

On March 12, 2018 (FY 17-18), SGC hosted over 200 attendees at the Community Leadership Summit at the University of California, Riverside Extension Center. Following the Summit, in FY 2018-19, CCI administering agencies released a *Best Practices for Community Engagement and Building Successful Projects* document, which is described in SGC’s Special Projects on page 43.

CASE STUDY

Santa Clara Valley Transit Authority (VTA) San Jose – Linking Job Training for Young Adults to Transit Agencies Will Improve Community Co-Benefits

SGC's CCI TA programs help strengthen the capacity of disadvantaged and low-income communities in identifying potential projects and creating cross-sector partnerships. In 2018, SGC provided TA services to Santa Clara Valley Transit Authority (VTA) Job Training Curriculum. This TA supports an initiative to improve community benefits from projects funded through the Transit and Intercity Rail Capital Program (TIRCP), by enabling VTA to form a partnership with San José Job Corps.

The partnership aims to create an internship curriculum for young adults in East San José related to the extension of Bay Area Rapid Transit (BART) into San José and Santa Clara. The technical assistance provider in this project, Nelson\Nygaard, is facilitating this effort – along with four other partnerships between transit agencies and community organi-

zations across the state – in order to ensure that TIRCP projects provide maximum benefits to their surrounding communities. In addition to creating the curriculum, Nelson\Nygaard and San José Job Corps will develop a plan to inform and involve East San José residents through the Spring of 2019.

Jill Gibson, Phase II Planning and Programming Manager of VTA BART Silicon Valley Program said, "As construction of the BART Silicon Valley Phase II project advances, the TIRCP TA will play a key role in engaging the surrounding disadvantaged and low-income communities. TA will create a curriculum that, when implemented, will not only serve as a professional learning experience for young adults, but will also enhance VTA's efforts to engage the community throughout the life of BART Phase II Project."

CCI TA Building Capacity to Bring Clean Energy to Communities

Since 2017, SGC has worked in partnership with the Department of Community and Social Services to provide technical assistance to low-income and disadvantaged communities applying to the Community Solar Program. Through this pilot technical assistance initiative, Estolano LeSar Advisors (ELA) coordinated a Community Awareness and Outreach Campaign focused on Disadvantaged Communities and also supported two Community Solar projects through project implementation. The Community Awareness and Outreach Campaign consisted of a series of outreach events across the state for the Community Solar Pilot and Farmworker Housing Component, including a total of 10 events in Fresno, Los Angeles, Sacramento, and via webinar. Through this effort, ELA reached out to more than 600 contacts and engaged nearly 300 participants in outreach events.

In April 2019, the California Department of Community Services and Development (CSD) awarded \$4.4 million to GRID Alternatives for two Community Solar Pilot projects in Contra Costa and Riverside Counties. Specifically, GRID Alternatives will be installing a 994 kilowatt (kW) ground mounted solar array on Santa Rosa Tribal Lands;²¹ the project will benefit 38 low-income households on tribal lands and an additional 150-250 low-income households in the Inland Empire who are served by Anza Electric Cooperative, Inc.

“The Santa Rosa Band of Cahuilla Indians is proud to partner with Anza Electric Cooperative and GRID Alternatives to provide clean energy to not only Tribal Members, but also other surrounding mountain community members,” said Tribal Chairman, Steven

Estrada.²² Residents from the Santa Rosa Band will also participate in paid job training opportunities – all consistent with the local hiring and wage requirements – during the solar installation. The project is expected to produce more than 42 million kilowatt hours (kWh) of energy over the next 30 years and provide up to \$5.4 million in savings on energy costs²³ to participants over the life of the project.

GRID Alternatives Bay Area also won a \$2.38 million grant to install a 989 kW solar array in partnership with the City of Richmond. The community solar system, sited at the Port of Richmond, will demonstrate how solar can play a key role in decarbonizing California’s ports. The project will benefit 155 low-income households in designated disadvantaged communities in Richmond. “This is a perfect example of how cities can leverage land use authority and community choice energy programs to spur local clean energy development,” said Richmond Mayor Tom Butt. “There is a rich history of shipbuilding and manufacturing at the Port of Richmond during the WWII era; now we’re using that same innovative spirit to build renewable energy systems that offset residents’ energy costs.”

This investment will help to strengthen the local economy and improve public health and the environment – particularly in disadvantaged communities, low-income communities, and for low-income households. As part of the technical assistance pilot, Estolano LeSar Advisors will support Grid Alternatives through the implementation of these projects to ensure their success.

²¹ CSD News Release. <http://www.csd.ca.gov/Newsroom/NewsReleases/June5,2019>

²² Ibid.

²³ Ibid.



CLIMATE CHANGE RESEARCH PROGRAM

The results of the research will directly benefit disadvantaged communities in California, and all funded projects includes meaningful engagement throughout the research process with stakeholders and nontraditional research partners.

The Budget Act of 2017²⁴ established the Strategic Growth Council's (SGC) Climate Change Research Program (CCR). CCR advances the Strategic Growth Council's vision to support healthy, vibrant, and resilient communities by investing in community-engaged research that can inform climate policy. CCR focuses on advancing tangible outcomes through its investments, filling critical research gaps to address the State's climate change goals, including reducing greenhouse gases and advancing climate change adaptation efforts. In alignment with SGC's community sustainability and equity, CCR requires funded research projects to include meaningful engagement with communities and stakeholders in order to successfully translate research to action.

²⁴ Assembly Bill 109 (2017, Ting). Chapter 249, Statutes of 2017. Creating a climate change research program within SGC and allocating \$11 million in Greenhouse Gas Reduction Fund revenues, http://leginfo.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=201720180AB109

As SGC's newest grant program, CCR awarded 14 research projects in two rounds of grant funding in the 2018-19 Fiscal Year. Each of these research grant awards is:

- » Contributing to the reduction of greenhouse gas emissions;
- » Benefiting disadvantaged or low-income communities;
- » Helping researchers engage with members of a community, decision makers, and/or other stakeholders to develop more outcome-based research; and
- » Advancing the seven goals defined in the Program's *Research Investment Plan*.²⁵

The *Research Investment Plan*, mandated by the State Legislature, outlines three types of climate research investments: research projects, research partnerships, and research innovation centers. The research program bridges unlikely partners to achieve our state's climate goals. This program provides a unique opportunity for nonprofits, entrepreneurial and innovation centers, businesses, researchers and community members to all participate in these processes. The results of the research will directly benefit disadvantaged communities in California, and all funded projects include meaningful engagement throughout the research process. With an emphasis on building and using robust, diverse, multi-stakeholder partnerships in research efforts, CCR leverages SGC's role as an interagency body, focusing on cross-cutting research investments that build community resilience, integrate land use and development considerations, and facilitate the transformation of California communities through outcome-based research.

²⁵ http://sgc.ca.gov/programs/climate-research/docs/20181003-Approved-Research-Investment_Plan.pdf

CCR Advances Research-to-Action through Engagement

CCR has invested \$28 million in cap-and-trade revenues to date in research that will support greenhouse gas emission reductions and advance climate adaptation and resiliency.²⁶ CCR requires that funded research institutions collaborate with key stakeholders, such as community-based organizations and policymakers, to transform research findings into action. This approach can lead to ongoing collaboration beyond the duration of the grant award that builds innovative, outcome-driven partnerships between the State and the research community, directly supporting California's climate change goals.

CCR also incorporates extensive outreach with researchers and communities into program development and management. In 2018, CCR met with over 40 different academic institutions, interagency partners, and private sector organizations to generate insight and feedback from research and technology development stakeholders regarding CCR's goals, scope, and guidelines. Program staff also conducted a pre-application workshop and webinar to assist researchers with the application process. In 2019, Round 1 and Round 2 grantees participated in project kickoff meetings with staff, as well as with research and policy staff from SGC's member agencies.

In preparation for anticipated funding for a third round of grants, staff traveled throughout California to conduct researcher roundtables and partner listening sessions at six universities around California, for a total of 12 sessions with almost 400 participants, including researchers, community members, and representatives of non-profit, local, regional, and State entities. At each university, staff held a researcher roundtable followed by a listening session. This structure emphasized hearing from various CCR program stakeholders, specifically providing equal time to hear from both researchers and research partners. According to CCR's Round 2 project partner, CCR's grants are

²⁶ CCR is the only research program that is funded by GGFR dollars.

the “best grant and integrated scenario I’ve ever been involved with in 30 years, it brings all the approaches and partners together.”

SGC Awarded 14 Research Grants in FY 2018–19 to Advance Climate Change Mitigation, Adaptation, and Resiliency

Round I

In July 2018, the Council approved \$10.5 million to fund 10 research projects. Review committees evaluated these proposals based on the researcher’s research merits, demonstrated ability to conduct meaningful engagement, project management abilities, as well as the project’s potential to advance State policy considerations. The Round 1 grants represent a diverse array of research topics, including avoiding displacement from climate change investments; the impacts of sea-level rise on toxic sites and resulting impacts on disadvantaged communities; preparing for local economic impacts of the implementation of the Sustainable Groundwater Management Act (SGMA) in the San Joaquin Valley; and the nexus of land use change, conservation, and local community and economic priorities in the Central Coast. Round 1 grants also include the advancement and development of several tools that local communities can use to plan for and adapt to climate impacts. Refer to Appendix E for a full list of these projects.

Round II

In December 2018, the Council approved and awarded \$17.1 million to four Research Innovation Center projects. Following extensive outreach with the research, business, and advocacy communities, the Council specifically focused on investing in three research themes: carbon dioxide removal, methane reduction, and low-greenhouse gas heating and cooling technologies. Two projects focus on quantifying and improving carbon dioxide removal in natural and working lands, one on scaling and testing a mobile biochar unit to reduce methane emissions and improve agricultural soils, and one on the testing of innovative low-greenhouse gas residential space cooling technologies in low-income and disadvantaged communities in Modesto. Refer to Appendix E for a full list of these projects.

Round III

Round III of CCR grant awards are expected to take place in Summer 2020.

Examining the Unintended Effects of Climate Change Mitigation on Communities

The California Climate Investments Program (CCI) is designed to provide meaningful benefits to disadvantaged communities, including opportunities for economic development. However, providing new amenities to communities also has the potential to raise local land values, impact rent levels, destabilize communities, and cause displacement. Despite new efforts in California to minimize the displacement impacts of investments, considerable uncertainty about the potential effects of different types of investments remains, making it difficult to effectively predict and address any displacement impacts. To address this issue, funds from the SGS's CCR are supporting a University of California Berkeley-led project that aims to better understand the potential unintended impacts of investment on displacement in communities.

In 2018, SGC awarded the University of California, Berkeley \$558,914 to examine the unintended effects of climate change mitigation. The outcome of this project will involve establishing a new tool to predict investment-related displacement.

A host of research partners are collaborating under this grant: the California Housing Partner-

ship Corporation, the Federal Reserve Bank of San Francisco, Public Advocates, Public Counsel, the Leadership Counsel for Justice and Accountability, and Stanford University.

This research project will increase knowledge of the mechanisms behind displacement by creating tools that can be used by State agencies to estimate the potential impacts of investments on displacement, enabling the state to mitigate these impacts. According to Phoebe Seaton, Co-Founder and Co-Director, Leadership Counsel for Justice and Accountability, "When investments lead to displacement, communities are torn apart, and families are often pushed to areas with even fewer resources. If we prioritize creating benefits for disadvantaged neighborhood residents, we stabilize families, maintain diversity, and strengthen the economic vitality of our State." This research will help the state answer displacement questions surrounding infill and investments, enabling more strategic investments in the future that will more holistically improve California communities and mitigate additional displacement.

The Future of San Joaquin Valley Agriculture Under Climate Change and the SGMA

A changing climate in California is affecting, and will continue to affect, various industries and sectors; however, often the magnitude of these effects is unknown, particularly for social and economic impacts. In 2018, CCR awarded \$541,362 to California Polytechnic University, San Luis Obispo (CalPoly) to analyze the predicted economic impacts of climate change on disadvantaged communities in the San Joaquin Valley.

This research is focused on the Valley's agricultural economy, which is dependent on factors that can be critically affected by climate change. These factors create important and often overlooked tradeoffs that affect future costs and opportunities for disadvantaged communities. Researchers are studying the effect of climate change and implementation of the Sustainable Groundwater Management Act (SGMA) on the Valley's water resources, the resulting impacts to agricultural production, and the economic well-being of communities that depend on farm jobs. SGMA, passed in 2014, is the State's first groundwater management legislation, passed in response to groundwater depletion caused by climate change and drought. Funded by revenues from California's cap-and-trade program, this research will identify opportunities for agriculture to adapt to a changing water supply and regulatory environment while also accelerating the reduction of greenhouse gas emissions in this sector.

A focus of this research is to identify impacts on rural disadvantaged communities that are likely to suffer most under future climate conditions. The geographic focus on the San Joaquin Valley lends itself to studying differentiated water supply and use across the San Joaquin Valley. This research will include engagement with up to twenty of the State's most disadvantaged communities, all of which are highly dependent on agriculture for their standard of living. As stated by the California Cotton Ginners and Growers Associations, a partner, "during the drought, thousands of people in the valley experienced economic hardship, and the effort by the researchers to understand potential changes in employment will be beneficial."

This research project's findings will have the potential to influence future policies in various sectors, to improve agricultural adaptation to climate change and changing regulations, as well as to benefit local economies in the San Joaquin Valley. According to research partners at the Western Agricultural Processors Association, "The more we know about these issues, the better the industry will be able to plan strategies for how to deal with these uncertainties."



HEALTH IN ALL POLICIES INITIATIVE

HiAP's coordination, implementation, and activities include increasing access to parks, violence prevention strategizing, planning for healthy transportation practices, and setting the stage for international audiences.

Established in 2010 through Executive Order S-04-10, the Health in All Policies (HiAP) Task Force convenes 20 state government departments and agencies to advance health, equity, and environmental sustainability. Since 2010, the HiAP Task Force has developed into a program that is a national model for how state agencies and departments can integrate health and equity into existing programs and policies to promote a wide range of State priorities. By promoting a government culture that prioritizes the health and equity of all Californians across policy areas and infusing State practices with health and equity considerations, HiAP advances SGC's mission of coordinating State agencies to promote quality lives for all Californians. The HiAP Task Force provides a forum for departments and agencies to identify shared goals and opportunities to enhance performance through collaboration; the HiAP program provides infrastructure to support progress on State goals and priorities.

HiAP Strengthens Existing Programs by Enhancing Collaboration, Engaging Diverse Stakeholders, and Broadening Their Impact So the Same Dollars Serve Multiple State Goals

SGC's HiAP approach is a national and international model for incorporating health, equity, and environmental sustainability into decision-making across sectors to improve the social and material conditions that drive health. HiAP is staffed through a partnership between SGC, the Public Health Institute (PHI), and the California Department of Public Health (CDPH), with generous support from The California Endowment, Blue Shield of California Foundation, and other funders. HiAP's main functions include:

- » Advancing racial equity by supporting State entities to adopt and implement racial equity action plans and apply racial equity tools.
- » Supporting State programs, practices, and guidelines in using equity and health criteria and metrics in design and implementation.
- » Identifying collaborative, multi-sectoral activities to 1) advance healthy transportation, and 2) prevent violence and promote resilient communities.

HiAP Task Force Action Plans Direct Activities and Outcomes

HiAP Task Force develops Action Plans in agreed-upon priority areas. These action plans contain commitments that: are feasible to implement with existing resources; align with the State's sustainability, equity, and health goals; require intersectional collaboration; generate benefits for multiple partners; engage stakeholders; and provide a pathway towards structural or procedural change.

Engaging government and non-government stakeholders across program and policy areas is a key element of HiAP approach, and foundational to the success of the HiAP Task Force. Task Force convenings offer an intentionally curated space where staff actively match and

connect complementary State entities to spark collaboration. According to a HiAP Task Force member from the California Government Operations Agency (CalGovOps), "The Task Force gives us a venue to engage with thought leader agencies. HiAP and SGC are active transportation champions and because of this we were able to see an opportunity to pioneer a benefit to bicycle commuters. HiAP was able to tap into thought leaders in transportation. Engagement with SGC provides access to craft policy resolutions and can hold people accountable."

Outcomes of HiAP Task Force coordination include:

- » California Department of Transportation (Caltrans), California Department of Forestry and Fire Protection (CAL FIRE), Office of Planning and Research (OPR) and others are exploring how to map investments from California Climate Investments Program (CCI), following a HiAP Task Force plenary convening which provided a venue for shared discussion and learning on this topic.
- » California Department of Education (CDE) is piloting structures designed from the HiAP approach to cultivate more vertical and horizontal information sharing and alignment within that organization. CDPH is hiring a position that will focus on deploying HiAP strategies within the department.
- » The Office of Planning and Research's Climate Adaptation and Resiliency Program (ICARP) sought input from the HiAP Task Force. This spurred engagement by the Office of Public School Construction and CDE's School Facilities & Transportation Services Division to 1) gather resources for schools on adaptation, and 2) include information on their websites about the Adaptation Clearinghouse, expanding the initiative's reach.
- » As a result of a HiAP Task Force learning session on trauma-informed approaches, CDE, Department of Justice (DOJ), and California Air and Resources Board (CARB) are collaboratively exploring best practices for applying trauma-informed approaches to educational structures, staff training, and community engagement.

Equity Infused in Government Practices Through Grant Programs and Guidelines

Following the HiAP Task Force's Action Plan to Advance Equity in Government Practices (2018-2020), departments are seeking health and equity consultations as they develop or update grant programs and guidelines. The Task Force's impact is also evident in CDPH's work with local health departments to advance the social determinants of health through climate investments, and State Parks' development of criteria to encourage grant applicants to work in partnership with health entities.

HiAP staff fulfilled consultation requests from the following entities:

- » SGC's Transformative Climate Communities Program (TCC), Climate Change Research Program, and Affordable Housing and Sustainable Communities Program (AHSC)
- » Office of Planning and Research (OPR) Integrated Climate Adaptation and Resiliency Program (ICARP) Adaptation Clearinghouse
- » CDE's Green Ribbon School Award program
- » California Transportation Commission's Active Transportation Program
- » California Natural Resources Agency's (CNRA) Urban Greening Program
- » California Services and Development's (CSD) Earned Income Tax Credit (Cal EITC) Education and Outreach and Free Tax Preparation Assistance Program
- » California Department of Food and Agriculture's (CDFA) California Nutrition Incentive Program and Healthy Stores Refrigeration Grant Program
- » Cal Fire's Urban and Community Forestry Program
- » Statewide Park Development and Revitalization Program

Increase Capacity for State Government to Implement Racial Equity Strategies

HiAP partners with Race Forward to provide the largest state-level racial equity learning and implementation cohort in the nation. Launched in early 2018, the Government Alliance on Racial Equity (GARE) Capitol Cohort engages over 170 staff from 12 teams representing 19 State departments and agencies in regular training and capacity building sessions. The Department of Human Resources (CALHR) and California Government Operations provide strategic guidance for this effort. Outcomes of this work includes:

- » SGC unanimously endorsed a Racial Equity Action Plan.
- » The California Coastal Commission adopted a new environmental justice policy and a commitment to "complete an Agency Racial Equity Action Plan in 2019 to inform and inspire greater inclusivity and diversity in all of the Commission's internal processes and functions."
- » Caltrans hired a Racial Equity Program Manager to coordinate and implement its Racial Equity Action Plan.
- » Race Forward featured Capitol Cohort speakers at several public forums, including its annual California statewide convening in September 2018 and its 2019 Annual Membership Meeting.

Increase Access to Parks and Urban Tree Canopy

The HiAP Task Force is implementing activities to increase access to parks and urban tree canopy in priority communities, as directed by its Action Plan to Promote Parks and Healthy Tree Canopy (Endorsed by SGC in 2018). HiAP Task Force and its stakeholders provided input that led to a proposed new building code requiring shade trees at public schools and community sites. Additionally, HiAP provided input to State Parks as it developed grant guidelines

and conducted stakeholder outreach as part of new funding for local parks. Lastly, State Parks and CDPH collaborated to implement a pilot project evaluating the ability of physical activity programs to transform underutilized parks into thriving health zones.

Violence Prevention & Community Resilience

In support of the HiAP Task Force Action Plan to Promote Violence-Free and Resilient Communities, a multi-agency think tank series in the summer of 2018 explored the relationship between violence prevention and the built environment. More than 10 departments participated in the series, which provided an opportunity to explore strategies for using the built environment to prevent, respond to, and address violence and promote community resilience.

Healthy Transportation Action Plan

The HiAP Task Force is in the process of identifying new commitments to include in a Healthy Transportation Action Plan. This plan will focus on collaborative opportunities to increase active transportation (walking, rolling, and transit), improve safety, and reduce vehicle miles traveled (VMT). Stakeholders in this process include over 10 state agencies, offices and departments, local health departments, and a number of think tank and advocacy organizations. California HiAP's transportation efforts have served as a model, inspiring a feature in the Transportation Research Board's Guidebook for Communications between Transportation and Public Health Communities.

Shaping the National and International Field of HiAP Practice

California HiAP's Task Force is the first state-level initiative of its kind in the United States and has gained national and international attention from public health and government leaders. Municipalities across the United States and internationally have reached out to HiAP staff for advice, training, and technical assistance. Some specific examples include:

- » HiAP staff fulfilled requests from the Sacramento Area Council of Governments to serve on its equity working group and from the City of Sacramento to serve on its Urban Forest Master Plan stakeholder group.
- » HiAP staff fulfilled requests for technical assistance and/or presentations from the Bay Area Air Quality Management District and Santa Ana Watershed Project Authority, as well as the counties of Madera, Mendocino, and Yolo.
- » HiAP staff fulfilled requests for lectures or other consultation from a number of universities including UC Berkeley, Sonoma State, Santa Clara, and UC San Diego.
- » HiAP staff fulfilled training and consultation requests from the States of Florida and Michigan.
- » The American Public Health Association regularly features the Task Force at its Annual Meeting, and the Housing California Conference and National American Planning Association Conference also included sessions about HiAP.



SGC HIGH-SPEED RAIL SUSTAINABLE GROWTH INITIATIVES

The State's investment in HSR will shape how and where we grow, which are integral components to achieving equitable and resilient communities and landscapes.

Recognizing the projected impacts of High-Speed Rail (HSR) on future land use and development in California, and because the Strategic Growth Council (SGC) focuses on sustainable communities and landscapes, the High-Speed Rail Authority (HSRA) and SGC entered into a formal partnership in 2014. SGC is a neutral third party that facilitates coordination across State agencies to advance these goals. HSRA has funded three SGC staff with expertise in community development, urban and regional planning, and conservation policy and planning. These staff harness SGC's partnerships and initiatives, and contribute their expertise to advance State policies, programs, and partnerships that support HSRA mission. These activities include:

- » The promotion of sustainable and equitable community development around HSR station areas.

- » The advancement of regional conservation assessments to inform effective mitigation solutions.
- » The implementation of local conservation and mitigation solutions.
- » The application of appropriate technology to facilitate these planning processes.

This HSR partnership is integral to SGC’s vision and mission for sustainable growth. The State’s investment in HSR will shape how and where we grow – considerations instrumental in achieving equitable and resilient communities and landscapes. The partnership provides an opportunity to advance policies and practices that support these objectives in communities and landscapes affected by High-Speed Rail. The bodies of work summarized below are supported through this partnership.

SGC Staff Provide Technical Assistance to High-Speed Rail Station Area Communities

SGC provides assistance to HSRA to advance sustainable, equitable community development outcomes in planned HSR station communities as well as in communities affected by HSR construction. SGC provides ongoing assistance by applying district development best practices and implementation resources to station communities.

This assistance includes the development of potential new financing tools to further HSR station area development and similar transit-oriented development districts statewide. SGC also regularly provides guidance to HSR staff on the Community Priorities Inventory – a “wish list” of local project ideas generated through community meetings – including how to assess projects for viability and readiness, and find potential State resources for project implementation.

SGC-Supported Tools and Resources for Sustainable Growth

SGC has supported the development and application of tools to advance sustainability in local and regional planning decisions. These include Urban Footprint, a scenario planning tool that helps jurisdictions and others build more sustainable, resilient and equitable communities, and RePlan, a regional conservation planning tool developed under SGC’s Integrated Regional Conservation and Development Program (IRCAD). Each initiative is described below.

UrbanFootprint scenario planning tool for local governments

UrbanFootprint is a web-based software platform built to help planners and policy makers determine the best scenarios and outcomes for their communities.²⁷ It makes comprehensive data, alternative development tools, and analytical models accessible to public and private sector planners. UrbanFootprint is helping transform the way cities and planners understand their challenges, shape futures, measure outcomes and reach consensus. As a result of SGC’s ongoing partnership with UrbanFootprint, the company now provides its software to California’s 500+ jurisdictions free-of-charge through their Civic Program, promoted through SGC’s website. Through this Program, every city, county, and regional agency can have access to UrbanFootprint’s comprehensive data library, advanced scenario planning capabilities, and real-time analysis components built to evaluate plan impacts in terms of greenhouse gas implications (both emissions and sequestration), land use (including conservation), water use, energy use, walk and transit accessibility, and more. Over the last year, SGC has convened several workshops with UrbanFootprint staff to explore the ways in which the tool can help advance State policy priorities – particularly in the areas of housing, health, and climate adaptation.

²⁷ Urban Footprint: <https://urbanfootprint.com/>

RePlan: A Regional Conservation and Development Planning Tool

The development and implementation of a sustainable and balanced vision for California requires the efficient use of a comprehensive foundation of up-to-date planning information to better integrate regional conservation and development planning processes.

Twenty-five years ago, the California Biodiversity Council (CBC) recognized the need to develop a clear set of regional conservation priorities. Four years ago, SGC developed IRCAD, now known as RePlan, to advance a regional planning vision and use this to implement a sustainable balance of regional development and conservation goals. Standardized Regional Conservation Assessments (RCAs) and associated planning platforms are being developed to inform and support the integration of regional development and conservation planning processes.

The Regional Conservation and Development Planning Tool, RePlan, integrates natural resources and planning datasets with basic analytical tools to advance regional planning objectives and goals. This platform advances the development of RCAs and integrates this information with regional planning data to identify priority conservation and development activities and areas.



STRATEGIC GROWTH COUNCIL SPECIAL PROJECTS

SGC collaborates with local and regional governments to advocate best practices that help move our state forward.

Creating Sustainable Communities and Landscapes White Paper

In October 2018, the Strategic Growth Council, in conjunction with the Governor’s Office of Planning and Research, culminated a year-long collaboration with the California Association of Local Area Formation Commissions (CALAFCO) with the publication of *Creating Sustainable Communities and Landscapes*.²⁸ This white paper promotes stronger collaboration between Local Area Formation Commissions (LAFCo) and local jurisdictions, and recommends practices and tools to support these collaborations. It also highlights examples of LAFCos that are enacting processes and practices that support more sustainable land use, including Stanislaus

²⁸ Strategic Growth Council, et al. *Creating Sustainable Communities and Landscapes: Recommended Practices and Tools for Local Collaboration on Climate-Smart Growth*. 2018. sgc.ca.gov/resources/docs/20181004-Creating_Sustainable_Communities_and_Landscapes.pdf

County, Ventura County, and Sonoma County. In Ventura, for example, the grassroots movement Save Open Space and Agricultural Resources (SOAR) led to policies that require local approval for land development. The partnership originated from SGC's recognition of LAF-Cos' critical role in local land use, and, in turn, CALAF-Co's interest in State support for its members' efforts. Following publication, SGC staff presented elements of the paper, including key practices and tools, at CALAF-COs annual conference. Recommendations include:

1. LAFCos should meet regularly with local planning departments and host educational trainings to clarify their role to build trust and streamline collaboration efforts.²⁹
2. LAFCos should collaborate with community-based organizations and press to create more local buy-in, educate the community and continue momentum for Smart Growth practices³⁰
3. LAFCos should collaborate with community-based organizations and press to create more local buy-in, educate the community and continue momentum for Smart Growth practices.³¹
4. As LAFCos implement these recommendations, they should also use The Scoping Plan and General Guidelines because they are roadmaps to meet California's climate and sustainability goals.
5. These tools and practices are not regulatory items but they can result in successful partnerships as local governments and LAFCos team up to apply for grants and California Climate Investments Program (CCI) funds.³²

Best Practices for Community Engagement and Building Successful Projects Document

In 2018, CCI administering agencies released a Best Practices for Community Engagement and Building Successful

Projects document³³, which provided a summary of best practices highlighted during the SGC-hosted Community Leadership Summit in Riverside, as well as CCI administering agency staff's lessons learned through the implementation of CCI programs and projects. The document provides guidance for improving responsiveness to the needs of disadvantaged communities, and mutual goals and best practices. These lessons can be used to incorporate community leadership at many different stages of a program or project. The identified best practices are organized into seven categories:

1. Maintaining Relationships
2. Program and Project Design
3. Decision-Making
4. Community Preparedness and Partnerships
5. Running Community Meetings
6. Communication
7. Confirming Support & Measuring Success

State-Level Smart Growth Strategies White Paper

SGC has partnered with the national nonprofit Smart Growth America to develop a two-part white paper on state-level smart growth strategies. The first part will present lessons learned from several decades of U.S. state government-sponsored smart growth policies, programs, and initiatives and will be geared toward a non-academic audience. The second part will comprise a survey of the "state of practice" of non-profit smart growth advocacy organizations nationally, which have historically played a major role in conceiving, developing, advocating, and implementing states' smart growth policies and programs. Report Publication is expected in late 2019.

²⁹ Ibid. Pg. 22

³⁰ Ibid.

³¹ Ibid.

³² Ibid. BID. Pg. 24.

³³ <https://ww3.arb.ca.gov/cc/capandtrade/auctionproceeds/ccli-community-leadership-bestpractices.pdf>

ACRONYM LIST

ACEPP	Agricultural Conservation Easement Purchasing Program
AHCKC	Affordable Housing Coalition of Kern County
AHSC	Affordable Housing and Sustainable Communities Program
AMI	Area Medium Income
BART	Bay Area Rapid Transit
BCSH	California Business, Consumer Services and Housing Agency
Cal EITC	Earned Income Tax Credit
CALAFCOS	The California Association of Local Agency Formation Commissions
CALFIRE	California Department of Forestry and Fire Protection
CalTrans	California Department of Transportation
CARB	California Air and Resources Board
CBC	California Biodiversity Council
CCI	California Climate Investments
CCR	Climate Change Research Program
CDE	California Department of Education
CDFA	California Department of Food and Agriculture
CDPH	California Department of Public Health
CSD	Community Services and Development
DOC	Department of Conservation
ELA	Estolano LeSar Advisors
GARE	Government Alliance on Racial Equity
GGRF	Greenhouse Gas Reduction Fund
GHG	Greenhouse Gas

HCD	California Department of Housing and Community Development
HiAP	Health in All Policies Program
HSR	High Speed Rail
HSRA	High Speed Rail Authority
ICARP	Climate Adaptation and Resiliency Program
ILG	Institute for Local Government
IRCAD	Integrated Regional Conservation and Development Program
LAFCo	Local Agency Formation Commission
NOFA	Notice of Funding Availability
OPR	Office of Planning and Research
PHI	Public Health Institute
RCA	Regional Conservation Assessment
RCAs	Standardized Regional Conservation Assessments
SALC	Sustainable Agriculture Lands Conservation Program
SGC	Strategic Growth Council
SGMA	Sustainable Groundwater Management Act
SHRA	Sacramento Housing and Redevelopment Agency
SOAR	Save Open Space and Agricultural Resources
TA	Technical Assistance Program
TCC	Transformative Climate Communities Program
TIRCP	Transit and Intercity Rail Capital Program
VMT	Vehicle Miles Travelled
VTA	Valley Transit Authority

SGC Grant Awards and Projects Appendix

The following charts reflect all of the SGC’s funding awarded by the Council. Appendices A-E reflect all projects and awards in Fiscal Year 2018-19, Appendices F-P reflect all the awards in years prior. The awards depicted were approved in the Fiscal Year noted but may be funded with monies from previous Fiscal Years.

Appendix A: Affordable Housing Sustainable Communities (AHSC) Awards- Round 4

Project Name	Project Type	City	Disadvantaged Community?	Funds Awarded
Light Tree	ICP	East Palo Alto	85-90%	\$ 20,000,000
Downtown Coachella Net Zero Housing and Transportation Collaboration	ICP	Coachella	75-80%	\$ 14,895,407
Gateway at Millbrae, Site 6A	TOD	Millbrae	N/A	\$ 18,042,459
500 Turk Street, TOD Partnership	TOD	San Francisco	N/A	\$ 20,000,000
San Jose Market- Almaden TOD	TOD	San Jose	N/A	\$ 18,908,818
Downtown Madera Veterans and Family Housing	ICP	Madera	85-90%	\$ 11,326,908
Weingart Tower and Skid Row Transportation Safety Project	ICP	Los Angeles	95-100%	\$ 20,000,000
Mission Heritage Plaza	ICP	Riverside	95-100%	\$ 16,826,931
Treasure Island Parcel C3.1, Ferry Terminal, and Bay Bridge Connection	ICP	San Francisco	75-80%	\$ 20,000,000
Vermont Manchester Transit Priority Project	ICP	Los Angeles	85-90%	\$ 20,000,000
Hollywood Arts Collective	TOD	Los Angeles	85-90%	\$ 13,839,800
Ocotillo Springs	RIPA	Brawley	75-80%	\$ 12,779,179
Grand View Village Connectivity Project	ICP	Stockton	95-100%	\$ 17,894,572
Twin Rivers Block B and E	ICP	Sacramento	95-100%	\$ 18,793,015
Ventura Westside Housing and Active Transportation	ICP	Ventura	75-80%	\$ 18,893,730
Roosevelt Park Apartments	TOD	San Jose	75-80%	\$ 12,637,770

Project Name	Project Type	City	Disadvantaged Community?	Funds Awarded
Jordan Downs Phase S3 & Watts Pedestrian Bike District	ICP	Los Angeles	95-100%	\$ 11,125,600
Manzanita Family Apartments	ICP	Napa	N/A	\$ 8,150,000
2012 Berkeley Way	TOD	Berkeley	N/A	\$ 19,591,610
Railyards Activation, Housing & Mobility	ICP	Sacramento	95-100%	\$ 15,211,698
13th & Broadway	TOD	San Diego	75-80%	\$ 20,000,000
Manchester Urban Homes	TOD	Los Angeles	95-100%	\$ 20,000,000
Childs and B Street TOD Affordable Housing	ICP	Merced	90-95%	\$ 13,949,300
Amaya Village	RIPA	Orange Cove	90-95%	\$ 14,790,000
Danco Communities and City of Arcata Isaacson's Multifamily Housing HRI and STI Project	RIPA	Arcata	N/A	\$ 4,460,700

Appendix B: Sustainable Agricultural Lands Conservation Program (SALC) Awards- Round 4

Project Name	County	Property located near	Acres	Disadvantaged Community?	Funds Awarded	Status
Mothershed	Monterey	Marina	160	No	\$2,200,000	Awarded
Botta-Ikeda	Monterey	Gonzales	106	No	\$260,000	Awarded
Bordessa	Marin	Dillon Beach	1,119	No	\$2,797,500	Awarded
Foppiano	Sonoma	Healdsburg	758	No	\$1,327,000	Awarded
River Butte	Shasta	Fall River Mills	665	No	\$785,000	Awarded
Smeds and Sons	Fresno	Reedley	108	No	\$772,666	Awarded; subsequently withdrawn
Cotta-Ferreira	San Joaquin	Stockton	375	No	\$4,284,425	Awarded
Nicholson	San Luis Obispo	Cayucos	717	No	\$1,030,500	Awarded
Beard	Placer	Auburn	137	No	\$1,056,900	Awarded

Project Name	County	Property located near	Acres	Disadvantaged Community?	Funds Awarded	Status
McKinney	Madera	Madera	3,602	No	\$2,669,370	Awarded
Ross	Shasta	Redding	854	No	\$5,548,000	Awarded
Danna Farms	Yuba	Plumas Lake	1,328	No	\$8,917,400	Awarded
Van Vleck	Sacramento	Rancho Murieta	301	No	\$1,029,284	Awarded
LJB Farms	Santa Clara	Gilroy	32	No	\$3,346,500	Awarded
Martin Farms	Santa Clara	Gilroy	95	No	\$6,346,500	Awarded
Lucky Hereford	Santa Clara	Gilroy	125	No	\$5,371,500	Awarded
McHenry	Sierra	Loyalton	239	No	\$253,700	Awarded
Sattley	Sierra	Sattley	470	No	\$236,400	Funded Alternate
Fowle	Siskiyou	Etna	487	No	\$525,000	Funded Alternate
Genasci	Sierra	Loyalton	597	No	NA	Altnerate

Appendix C: Transformative Climate Communities Program (TCC) Awards- Round 2

Round	Project Name	Project Type	City	Disadvantaged Community?	Funds Awarded
II	South Los Angeles	Planning Grant	Los Angeles	Yes	\$200,000
II	Tulare County	Planning Grant	Tulare	Yes	\$200,000
II	City of McFarland	Planning Grant	McFarland	Yes	\$200,000
II	City of Bakersfield	Planning Grant	Bakersfield	Yes	\$200,000
II	Community Partners: Green Together, NE Valley	Implementation Grant	Los Angeles	Yes	\$23,000,000
II	Sacramento Integrated Multimodal Place-based Living	Implementation Grant	Sacramento	Yes	\$23,000,000

Appendix D: California Climate Investments Technical Assistance Program Awards

Partner Agency	CCI Program	Technical Assistance Provided	SGC Funding Amount
Caltrans	Active Transportation Program (ATP)	<i>Localized assistance to five disadvantaged communities to prepare bike lane/sidewalk projects, cultivate partnerships between community and local jurisdictions, and prepare to apply for ATP and/or various CCI funding sources.</i>	\$150,000
	Low Carbon Transportation Operations Program (LCTOP)	<i>Conduct ten statewide convenings to educate communities on formula-based transportation funding and conduct strategic discussion on LCTOP projects that meet community-identified needs.</i>	\$120,000
CalSTA	Transit & Intercity Rail Capital Program (TIRCP)	<i>Assistance to four TIRCP awardees, and coordination with local community based organizations, in preparing key transportation and transit station access provisions that serve disadvantaged communities.</i>	\$200,000
CSD	Community Solar	<i>Phase I – Community engagement sessions focused on partnership development to prepare for future solar projects. Phase II - Assistance in implementing community solar that addresses community needs.</i>	\$100,000

CARB	Low Carbon Transportation Investments (LCTI)	<i>Community engagement and strategic convenings to build necessary partnerships to submit competitive LCTI applications.</i>	\$200,000
SGC	Affordable Housing Sustainable Communities (AHSC)	<i>Direct application assistance and capacity building activities directed at disadvantaged communities to prepare competitive AHSC applications.</i>	AHSC Round 2: \$500,000 AHSC Round 3: \$600,000 AHSC Round 4: \$600,000
	Deep Dive Technical Assistance	<i>Education on all CCI program opportunities for three jurisdictions, followed by direct application assistance to programs of interest to each jurisdiction.</i>	\$80,000
	Transformative Climate Communities (TCC)	<i>Project development and application preparation services to develop TCC concept and full applications, as well as assistance with implementation of the project.</i>	Round 1 Application Assistance (Phases 1-2): \$300,000 Round 2 Application Assistance: \$150,000 Implementation TA (Rounds 1&2): \$400,000
	Sustainable Agricultural Lands Conservation Program (SALC)	<i>Focus on 2-3 communities in SJ Valley and SoCal to build capacity around ag land preservation and provide direct assistance for SALC planning grant applications.</i>	\$200,000

CDFA	CCI Climate Smart Agriculture (CSA) Application Assistance Partnership with UC ANR	<i>CCI CSA: Services provided in the scope of this TA will include holding workshops, GHG quantification, grant writing, and providing computer and internet assistance to applicants.</i> <i>Partnership with UC ANR: Grow the adoption of science-based climate smart farming and ranching practices.</i>	2017 Application Assistance: \$125,000 2018-2019 Application Assistance: \$200,000 Partnership with UC ANR: \$1.1 million
SGC	Institute for Local Government Capacity Building	<i>Through its Beacon Program, the Institute for Local Government will work with 10 local governments and 2 regions to build the local capacity by strengthening local coordination, leadership, knowledge, skills, expertise, and access to resources with the ultimate goal of developing competitive funding proposals.</i>	\$1,000,000

Appendix E: Climate Change Research Program (CCR) Awards: Round 1-2

Round	Project Name	Project Type	University, Partner, etc.	City	Disadvantaged Community?	Funds Awarded
1	The future of San Joaquin Valley Agriculture Under Climate Change and SGMA	Research Project	California Polytechnic State University, San Luis Obispo	San Luis Obispo	Yes	\$541,362
1	Climate Smart Communities Consortium	Research Partnership	University of California, Davis	Davis	Yes	\$2,632,000
1	Sea Level Rise, Hazardous Sites, and Environmental	Research Project	University of California, Berkeley	Berkeley	Yes	\$688,168

Round	Project Name	Project Type	University, Partner, etc.	City	Disadvantaged Community?	Funds Awarded
	Justice in California					
1	Integrating Land Use and Climate Change on California's Central Coast: Impacts and Adaptations for Local Communities	Research Project	University of California, Santa Cruz	Santa Cruz	Yes	\$373,367
1	Examining the Unintended Effects of Climate Change Mitigation: A New Tool to Predict Investment-Related Displacement	Research Project	University of California, Berkeley	Berkeley	Yes	\$558,914
1	CAL-THRIVES: A California Toolkit for Heat Resiliency In Vulnerable Environments	Research Project	Lawrence Berkeley National Laboratory	Berkeley	Yes	\$1,000,000
1	Increasing Data Accessibility and Climate Resilience Planning Support	Research Partnership	University of California, Berkeley	Berkeley	Yes	\$825,853

Round	Project Name	Project Type	University, Partner, etc.	City	Disadvantaged Community?	Funds Awarded
	through Cal-Adapt					
1	Measuring the Impacts of Climate Change on Vulnerable Communities to Design and Target Protective Policies.	Research Partnership	University of California, Los Angeles	Los Angeles	Yes	\$1,451,460
1	Coupling Community Knowledge with Big Data Tools to Facilitate Equitable Energy Transitions	Research Project	University of California, Los Angeles	Los Angeles	Yes	\$638,878
1	Integrated Land Use Planning to Support Climate Resilient Ecosystems and Local Communities: Fire, Water and Biodiversity	Research Partnership	San Diego State University	San Diego	Yes	\$1,790,000
2	Innovative Low GHG Residential Space Conditioning Technologies	Research Innovation Center	Electric Power Research Institute, Inc.	Palo Alto	Yes	\$4,724,342

Round	Project Name	Project Type	University, Partner, etc.	City	Disadvantaged Community?	Funds Awarded
2	Working Lands Innovation Center - Catalyzing Negative Carbon Emissions	Research Innovation Center	University of California, Office of the President	Oakland	Yes	\$4,691,396
2	Innovation Center for Advancing Ecosystem Climate Solutions	Research Innovation Center	University of California, Irvine	Irvine	Yes	\$4,584,720
2	Mobile Biochar Production for Methane Emission Reduction and Soil Amendment	Research Innovation Center	University of California, Merced	Merced	Yes	\$3,027,416

Appendix F: FY 2017-2018 – California Climate Investments Technical Assistance Programs

Agency	CCI TA Program – Scope of Work
CA State Transportation Agency (CalSTA)	Active Transportation Program (ATP) Localized assistance to five (5) disadvantaged communities to prepare bike lane/sidewalk projects, cultivate partnerships between community and local jurisdictions, and apply to ATP and/or various CCI funding sources.
	Transit & Intercity Rail Capital Program (TIRCP) Assistance to five (5) TIRCP awardees, and coordination with local community based organizations, in preparing key transportation and transit station access provisions that serve disadvantaged communities.

	<p>Low Carbon Transportation Operations Program (LCTOP) Conduct twelve (12) statewide convenings to educate communities on formula-based transportation funding and conduct strategic discussion on LCTOP projects that meet community-identified needs.</p>
<p>Department of Community Services & Development (CSD)</p>	<p>Community Solar Phase I – Community engagement sessions focused on partnership development to prepare for future solar projects. Phase II - Assistance in implementing community solar that addresses community needs.</p>
<p>CA Dept. of Food and Agriculture (CDFA)</p>	<p>State Water Efficiency & Enhancement Program (SWEEP) Conduct 13 workshops on application to operations that would not typically apply.</p>
	<p>Healthy Soils Incentive Program (HSIP) Conduct 28 workshops and provide technical experts to assist applicants in preparing applications to Healthy Soils program.</p>
	<p>Alternative Manure Management Program (AMMP) Conduct workshops and provide technical expertise to assist in preparing applications to AMMP program.</p>
	<p>Dairy Digester Research and Development Program (DDRDP) Work with partners to provide project consultation for stakeholders; use administrative costs to provide application assistance workshops</p>
<p>CA Strategic Growth Council (SGC)</p>	<p>Affordable Housing Sustainable Communities (AHSC) Direct application assistance to over 30 applicants and capacity building activities directed at disadvantaged communities to prepare competitive AHSC applications.</p>
	<p>Transformative Climate Communities (TCC) Project development and application preparation services to develop TCC concept and full applications, as well as assistance with implementation of the project.</p>

CA Air Resources Board (CARB)	Low Carbon Transportation Investments (LCTI) <i>Community engagement and strategic convenings to assist residents in accessing programs and build necessary partnerships to facilitate competitive LCTI applications.</i>
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Appendix G: Transformative Climate Communities (TCC) Program Winter 2017 Awards, Round 1

Project Name	Project Type	City	Funds Awarded
East Oakland Resilient Neighborhoods Initiative	Planning Grant	Oakland	\$170,000
Franklin Community Climate and Revitalization Playbook	Planning Grant	Sacramento	\$170,000
Nuestra Tierra, Nuestra Futuro: A Sustainable Community Ownership and Land Stewardship Pilot in East Los Angeles	Planning Grant	Los Angeles	\$170,000
Greenlight Riverside	Planning Grant	Riverside	\$170,000
Planning for a Resilient Richmond	Planning Grant	Richmond	\$170,000
Stockton Climate Action Plan: Neighborhood Implementation	Planning Grant	Stockton	\$170,000
Community Led Multi-Stakeholder Green Infrastructure: A Pilot Project at a Freeway-Residential Intersection in West Oakland	Planning Grant	Oakland	\$170,000
Eastern Coachella Valley Climate Resilience Action Plan	Planning Grant	Coachella	\$170,000
Engage MoVal: Outreach Toolbox for Disadvantaged Communities	Planning Grant	Moreno Valley	\$93,960
Gateway Cities Climate Action Opportunity Assessment and Readiness Plan	Planning Grant	Gateway Council of Governments	\$170,000
Transform Fresno	Implementation Grant	Fresno	\$70,000,000
Watts Rising	Implementation Grant	Los Angeles	\$35,000,000
Ontario Connects—People Places Prosperity	Implementation Grant	Ontario	\$35,000,000

Appendix H: Affordable Housing Sustainable Communities (AHSC) Program Spring 2018 Awards

Project Name	City	Funds Requested	Project Type	Disadvantaged Community?
Coliseum Area—International Boulevard TOD Partnership	Oakland	\$14,000,000	TOD	Yes
1950 Mission Street	San Francisco	\$15,000,000	TOD	No
Florence Neighborhood Mobility, TOD Affordable Housing, and Urban Greening	Unincorporated Los Angeles County	\$10,798,068	TOD	Yes
2060 Folsom Street Affordable Housing	San Francisco	\$14,000,000	TOD	No
Long Beach Active Streets and Las Ventanas TOD Apartments	Long Beach	\$13,975,653	TOD	Yes
San Diego Downtown Mobility Plan and 14/Commercial TOD Apartments	San Diego	\$19,999,999	TOD	Yes
Willowbrook 2	Unincorporated Los Angeles County	\$12,531,304	TOD	Yes
Block 7 Net Zero Housing & Downtown Activation Project	Redding	\$19,959,536	ICP	No
East Los Angeles Wellness Hub and Calvary Walking Path	Unincorporated Los Angeles County	\$8,722,423	ICP	Yes
3268 San Pablo	Oakland	\$8,917,500	ICP	Yes
Arrowhead Grove 2&3	San Bernardino	\$20,000,000	ICP	Yes
Blackstone & McKinley Transit Oriented Development (BMTOD)	Fresno	\$16,039,962	ICP	Yes
Keeler Court/Southcrest AHSC	San Diego	\$9,934,273	ICP	Yes

Project Name	City	Funds Requested	Project Type	Disadvantaged Community?
Elden Elms	Los Angeles	\$16,662,640	ICP	Yes
Sequoia Commons Affordable Housing & Transportation Project	Goshen	\$12,088,276	RIPA	Yes
Meadow View Place	Truckee	\$16,255,000	RIPA	Yes
Stonegate Village Affordable Housing & Transportation Project	Patterson	\$12,075,537	RIPA	Yes
Mountain View Village	Lamont	\$8,226,250	RIPA	No
PATH Villas Hollywood	Los Angeles	\$8,310,577	ICP	Yes

Appendix I: Affordable Housing Sustainable Communities (AHSC) Program Fall 2016 Awards

Project Name	Grantee Name	Award Amount	Loan or Grant	Project Area Type
455 Fell	Mercy Housing California	\$1,019,000	G	TOD
455 Fell	Mercy Housing California	\$15,037,563	L	TOD
7th & Witmer Apartments	Deep Green Housing and Community Development	\$10,504,000	G	TOD
7th & Witmer Apartments	Deep Green Housing and Community Development	\$6,256,000	L	TOD
Avena Bella Phase 2	EAH Inc.	\$1,661,667	L	ICP
Coldstream Mixed Use Village	StoneBridge Properties, LLC	\$4,810,000	G	RIPA
Coldstream Mixed Use Village	StoneBridge Properties, LLC	\$5,872,140	L	RIPA
Coliseum Connections	UrbanCore Development, LLC	\$5,223,012	L	TOD
Coliseum Connections	UrbanCore Development, LLC	\$9,621,750	G	TOD
Cornerstone Place	Domus Development, LLC	\$7,970,705	L	ICP
Cornerstone Place	Domus Development, LLC	\$4,120,008	G	ICP
Creekside Affordable Housing	Neighborhood Partners LLC	\$10,904,172	L	ICP
Creekside Affordable Housing	Neighborhood Partners LLC	\$977,576	G	ICP
Empyrean Towers and Harrison Hotel	Resources for Community Development	\$1,176,438	G	TOD
Empyrean Towers and Harrison Hotel	Resources for Community Development	\$15,631,118	L	TOD
Grayson Street Apartments	Satellite Affordable Housing Associates	\$805,846	G	ICP
Grayson Street Apartments	Satellite Affordable Housing Associates	\$2,949,480	L	ICP
Hunter Street Housing	Visionary Home Builders of California, Inc.	\$8,228,370	L	ICP
Hunter Street Housing	Visionary Home Builders of California, Inc.	\$713,000	G	ICP
Kings Canyon Connectivity Project	Cesar Chavez Foundation	\$14,863,754	L	ICP
Kings Canyon Connectivity Project	Cesar Chavez Foundation	\$715,672	G	ICP
Lakehouse Connections	East Bay Asian Local Development Corporation	\$10,946,306	L	TOD
Lakehouse Connections	East Bay Asian Local Development Corporation	\$7,180,897	G	TOD
MDC Jordan Downs	The Michaels Development Company	\$2,029,943	G	ICP
MDC Jordan Downs	The Michaels Development Company	\$9,939,168	L	ICP

Project Name	Grantee Name	Award Amount	Loan or Grant	Project Area Type
North San Pedro Apartments (aka St. James Station)	First Community Housing	\$3,962,054	G	ICP
North San Pedro Apartments, (aka ST. James Station)	First Community Housing	\$8,927,557	L	TOD
Palm Terrace (aka Lindsay Village)	Self-Help Enterprises	\$4,043,694	L	RIPA
Palm Terrace (aka Lindsey Village)	Self Help Enterprises	\$1,474,659	G	RIPA
PATH Metro Villas Phase 2	PATH Ventures	\$1,336,535	G	TOD
PATH Metro Villas Phase 2	PATH Ventures	\$12,413,648	L	TOD
Redding Downtown Loop and Affordable Housing	City of Redding	\$5,873,372	L	ICP
Redding Downtown Loop and Affordable Housing	City of Redding	\$14,126,628	G	ICP
Renascent Place	Charities Housing	\$7,766,134	L	ICP
Renascent Place	Charities Housing	\$7,213,352	G	ICP
Rolland Curtis West	Abode Communities	\$1,756,570	G	TOD
Rolland Curtis West	Abode Communities	\$3,911,504	L	TOD
Santa Ana Arts Collective	Meta Housing Corporation	\$4,195,500	G	ICP
Santa Ana Arts Collective	Meta Housing Corporation	\$7,833,126	L	ICP
Sierra Village (aka Dinuba Village)	Self Help Enterprises	\$550,000	G	RIPA
Sierra Village (aka Dinuba Village)	Self Help Enterprises	\$4,096,731	L	RIPA
Six Four Nine Lofts	The Skid Row Housing Trust	\$2,115,000	G	TOD
Six Four Nine Lofts	The Skid Row Housing Trust	\$3,200,000	L	TOD
South Stadium Phase I TOD	City of Fresno	\$1,324,543	L	TOD
South Stadium Phase I TOD	City of Fresno	\$4,414,187	G	TOD
Sun Valley Senior Veteran's Apartments	EAST LA Community Corporation	\$7,520,531	L	ICP
Sun Valley Senior Veteran's Apartments	EAST LA Community Corporation	\$3,589,489	G	ICP
Wasco Farmworker Housing Relocation Project	Wasco Affordable Housing, Inc.	\$528,765	G	RIPA
Wasco Farmworker Housing Relocation Project	Wasco Affordable Housing, Inc.	\$18,108,667	L	RIPA

Appendix J: Affordable Housing Sustainable Communities (AHSC) Program Fall 2015 Awards

Project Name	Grantee Name	Award Amount	Loan or Grant	Project Area Type
127th Street Apartments	Meta Housing Corporation	\$150,575	G	ICP
127th Street Apartments	Meta Housing Corporation	\$1,349,425	L	ICP
3706 San Pablo Avenue	EAH Inc.	\$132,400	G	TOD
3706 San Pablo Avenue	EAH Inc.	\$5,400,000	L	TOD
Anchor Place	Century Villages at Cabrillo, Inc.	\$250,000	G	ICP
Anchor Place	Century Villages at Cabrillo, Inc.	\$2,191,616	L	ICP
Anchor Village	Domus Development, LLC	\$3,852,581	L	TOD
Anchor Village	Domus Development, LLC	\$2,004,515	G	TOD
Camino 23	Satellite Affordable Housing Associates	\$823,025	G	TOD
Camino 23	Satellite Affordable Housing Associates	\$2,239,705	L	TOD
Central Commons	Habitat for Humanity East Bay/Silicon Valley, Inc.	\$1,000,000	G	ICP
Cielito Lindo Apartments Phase II FKA 1st and Soto	East LA Community Corporation	\$1,537,287	G	TOD
Cielito Lindo Apartments Phase II FKA 1st and Soto	East LA Community Corporation	\$948,153	L	TOD
Civic Center 14 TOD Apartments	Meta Housing Corporation	\$1,250,000	L	TOD
Civic Center 14 TOD Apartments	Meta Housing Corporation	\$250,000	G	TOD
Crenshaw Villas	Crenshaw Villas Partners, LP	\$2,200,000	G	TOD
Depot at Santiago	Orange Housing Development Corporation	\$3,500,000	G	ICP
Depot at Santiago	Orange Housing Development Corporation	\$425,000	L	ICP
Downtown Hayward Senior Apartments	Meta Housing Corporation	\$1,631,025	L	TOD
Downtown Hayward Senior Apartments	Meta Housing Corporation	\$551,975	G	TOD
Eddy & Taylor Family Housing	Eddy & Taylor Associates, L.P.	\$576,081	G	TOD
Eddy & Taylor Family Housing	Eddy & Taylor Associates, L.P.	\$11,708,895	L	TOD
El Segundo Boulevard Apartments	Meta Housing Corporation	\$56,250	G	ICP
El Segundo Boulevard Apartments	Meta Housing Corporation	\$1,843,750	L	ICP

Project Name	Grantee Name	Award Amount	Loan or Grant	Project Area Type
Grand Gateway Transportation Infrastructure	City of West Sacramento	\$4,130,888	G	ICP
Hana Gardens Apartments	Eden Housing, Inc.	\$5,271,696	L	TOD
Hana Gardens Apartments	Eden Housing, Inc.	\$386,176	G	TOD
Hotel Fresno	APEC International, LLC and Swansea Development Corporation	\$1,762,324	L	ICP
Hotel Fresno	APEC International, LLC and Swansea Development Corporation	\$3,037,676	G	ICP
Jordan Downs Phase 1	BRIDGE Housing Corporation	\$6,000,000	L	ICP
Jordan Downs Phase 1	BRIDGE Housing Corporation	\$500,000	G	ICP
Laurel Grove (Park Avenue Family Apartments)	Housing Authority of the County of Santa Clara	\$3,540,600	L	TOD
Laurel Grove (Park Avenue Family Apartments)	Housing Authority of the County of Santa Clara	\$459,400	G	TOD
MacArthur Park Apartments Phase B	MPM Apartments II, LP	\$4,000,000	G	TOD
MacArthur Park Apartments Phase B	MPM Apartments II, LP	\$3,014,560	L	TOD
March Veterans Village	Coachella Valley Housing Coalition	\$5,994,850	L	ICP
March Veterans Village	Coachella Valley Housing Coalition	\$114,264	G	ICP
Mill Creek Village (aka 19th Street Apartments)	Chelsea Investment Corporation	\$2,130,394	L	ICP
Mill Creek Village (aka 19th Street Apartments)	Chelsea Investment Corporation	\$429,000	G	ICP
Miraflores Senior Housing	Eden Housing Inc.	\$4,024,606	L	ICP
Miraflores Senior Housing	Eden Housing, Inc.	\$1,052,952	G	ICP
Mission Bay South Redevelopment Area	1300 Fourth Street Associates, L.P.	\$4,944,141	L	TOD
Mission Bay South Redevelopment Area	Tenderloin Neighborhood Development Corporation,	\$55,848	G	TOD
Mosaic Gardens at Westlake	LINC Housing Corporation	\$1,482,000	G	ICP
Mosaic Gardens at Westlake	LINC Housing Corporation	\$418,000	L	ICP
Paradise Creek II (Westside-Infill TOD)	The City of National City	\$3,760,617	L	TOD
Paradise Creek II (Westside-Infill TOD)	The City of National City	\$5,480,271	G	TOD
Riviera Family Apartments	Resources for Community Development	\$2,342,160	G	TOD

Project Name	Grantee Name	Award Amount	Loan or Grant	Project Area Type
Riviera Family Apartments	Resources for Community Development	\$2,614,450	L	TOD
Rolland Curtis East	Abode Communities	\$1,246,831	G	TOD
Rolland Curtis East	Abode Communities	\$2,753,169	L	TOD
San Leandro Senior Housing	BRIDGE Housing Corporation	\$4,965,047	L	TOD
San Leandro Senior Housing	BRIDGE Housing Corporation	\$3,032,761	G	TOD
South Bay Bus Rapid Transit Project	San Diego Association of Governments	\$7,000,000	G	ICP
Sylmar Court Apartments	Meta Housing Corporation	\$200,000	G	TOD
Sylmar Court Apartments	Meta Housing Corporation	\$2,300,000	L	TOD
Transbay Block 7 (222 Beale Street)	Mercy Housing California 64, L.P.	\$4,766,717	L	TOD
Transbay Block 7 (222 Beale Street)	Mercy Housing California 64, L.P.	\$1,733,283	G	TOD
Truckee Railyard Downtown Corridor Improvements	Truckee Development Associates, LLC	\$8,000,000	G	ICP
Vanpool Expansion Project	California Vanpool Authority	\$3,000,000	G	ICP
West Gateway Place (aka Delta Lane)	City of West Sacramento	\$2,600,000	L	ICP

Appendix K: Sustainable Agricultural Lands Conservation (SALC) Program Fall 2017 Awards

Applicant	Project Type	Property Located Near	County	Total Acres	Funds Requested
California Rangeland Trust	Easement	Salinas	Monterey	9,418	\$3,030,500
Ag Land Trust	Easement	Salinas	Monterey	100	\$634,000
Ag Land Trust	Easement	Salinas	Monterey	212	\$1,342,000
Ag Land Trust	Easement	Salinas	Monterey	95	\$1,690,000
Ag Land Trust	Easement	Marina	Monterey	141	\$2,515,000

Applicant	Project Type	Property Located Near	County	Total Acres	Funds Requested
Sonoma Agricultural Preservation and Open Space District	Easement	Cotati	Sonoma	403	\$1,000,000
California Rangeland Trust	Easement	Garberville	Humboldt	2,942	\$2,523,500
Land Trust of Napa County	Easement	Winters	Napa	6,604	\$3,234,600
Solano Land Trust	Easement	Vacaville	Solano	2,204	\$1,838,535
Sierra Foothill Conservancy	Easement	Hornitos	Mariposa	7,182	\$2,205,000
Land Conservancy of San Luis Obispo County	Easement	Oak Shores	San Luis Obispo	7,681	\$1,524,860
Siskiyou Land Trust	Easement	Etna	Siskiyou	342	\$375,500
Bear Yuba Land Trust	Easement	Penn Valley	Nevada	1,593	\$3,450,700
Placer Land Trust	Easement	Auburn	Placer	314	\$1,500,000
Central Valley Farmland Trust	Easement	Livingston-Delhi	Merced	97	\$623,500
Central Valley Farmland Trust	Easement	Livingston-Delhi	Merced	60	\$401,500
Central Valley Farmland Trust	Easement	Farmington	San Joaquin	123	\$873,250
Mendocino Land Trust	Easement	Ukiah	Mendocino	134	\$1,169,643
Yolo Land Trust	Easement	Esparto	Yolo	69	\$654,250
Land Trust of Santa Cruz County	Easement	Watsonville	Santa Cruz	40	\$154,500

Applicant	Project Type	Property Located Near	County	Total Acres	Funds Requested
Feather River Land Trust	Easement	Loyalton	Sierra	440	\$276,850
Feather River Land Trust	Easement	Portola	Plumas	5,880	\$1,693,123
Feather River Land Turst	Easement	Loyalton	Sierra	335	\$280,594
Feather River Land Trust	Easement	Loyalton	Sierra	253	\$154,962
City of Reedley	Strategy and Outcome	Reedley	Fresno	N/A	\$100,000
Santa Clara County	Strategy and Outcome	San Jose	Santa Clara	N/A	\$100,000

Appendix L: Sustainable Agricultural Lands Conservation (SALC) Spring 2016 Awards

Applicant	Project Type	Property Located Near	County	Total Acres	Funds Requested
Ag Land Trust	Easement	Salinas	Monterey	413	\$473,150
Ag Land Trust	Easement	Soledad	Monterey	571	\$1,603,000
Ag Land Trust	Easement	Salinas	Monterey	129	\$999,000
Ag Land Trust	Easement	Salinas	Monterey	67	\$755,625
Ag Land Trust	Easement	King City	Monterey	177	\$511,925
Brentwood Agricultural Land Trust	Easement	Discovery Bay	Contra Costa	551	\$7,820,260

Applicant	Project Type	Property Located Near	County	Total Acres	Funds Requested
Sonoma Land Trust	Easement	Cloverdale	Sonoma	1,489	\$1,027,000
Sequoia Riverlands Trust	Easement	Ivanhoe	Tulare	98	\$521,162
Sequoia Riverlands Trust	Easement	Porterville/Terra Bella	Tulare	260	\$1,600,000
Placer County Community Development Resource Agency	Easement	Lincoln	Placer	406	\$990,000
California Rangeland Trust	Easement	Copperopolis	Calveras	3,256	\$5,842,000
Northern California Regional Land Trust	Easement	Oroville	Butte	396	\$2,301,202
Eastern Sierra Land Trust	Easement	Bridgeport	Mono	1,700	\$1,739,117
Sierra Foothill Conservancy	Easement	Raymond	Madera	284	\$189,875
Land Trust of Santa Cruz County	Easement	Watsonville	Santa Cruz	46.5	\$138,250
Land Trust of Napa County	Easement	Lake Berryessa	Napa	5,193	\$3,166,800
California Rangeland Trust	Easement	Winters	Yolo	2,371	\$4,623,670
Pacific Forest Trust	Easement	Sierraville	Sierra	592	\$345,598
Central Valley Farmland Trust	Easement	Farmington	San Joaquin	264	\$1,837,000
Sonoma County Agricultural Preservation and Open Space District	Easement	Cotati	Sonoma	701	\$750,000
Land Conservancy of San Luis Obispo County	Easement	Templeton	San Luis Obispo	1,786	\$2,036,720

Applicant	Project Type	Property Located Near	County	Total Acres	Funds Requested
Eastern Sierra Land Trust	Easement	Bridgeport	Mono	1,334	\$339,117
Monterey County Resource Management Agency	Strategy and Outcome	Salinas, Gonzales, Greenfield, King City, and Soledad	Monterey	N/A	\$182,365

Appendix M: Sustainable Agricultural Lands Conservation (SALC) Spring 2015 Awards

Applicant	Project Type	County	Total Acres	Funds Requested
Monterey Ag Land Trust	Easement	Monterey	169	\$405,300
Eastern Sierra Land Trust	Easement	Mono	2,475	\$917,500
Lassen Land & Trails Trust	Easement	Lassen	582	\$226,500
Napa Land Trust	Easement	Napa	1,558	\$606,500
Northern California Regional Land Trust	Easement	Butte & Tehama	8,847	\$1,163,000
Sonoma Co. Ag Preservation & Open Space District	Easement	Sonoma	230	\$300,000
Marin Agricultural Land Trust	Easement	Marin	330	\$490,050
Butte County	Strategy and Outcome	Butte County Agricultural Land Conservation Strategy		\$100,000
Mendocino County	Strategy and Outcome	Mendocino County Agricultural Land Conservation Planning Program		\$93,400

Applicant	Project Type	County	Total Acres	Funds Requested
County of Monto	Strategy and Outcome	Mono County Sustainable Agricultural Land Strategy		\$100,000
Santa Clara County	Strategy and Outcome	A Sustainable Agricultural Lands Policy Framework—Southern Santa Clara Valley		\$100,000
Applicant	Project Type	Project Name		Funds Requested
County of Santa Cruz	Strategy and Outcome	Rotational Cover Crop Plan for Pajaro Valley		\$99,095

Appendix N: List of Sustainable Communities Planning Grant and Incentives Program (SCPGIP) Awards

Grantee	Project Name	Funding Round	Project Status	Total Funding Amount
Adelanto, City of	North Adelanto Plan: Establishing a New Paradigm for a Successful and Sustainable Desert Community	1	Complete	\$990,000
Anaheim, City of	The Canyon Specific Plan	1	Complete	\$334,850
Arvin, City of	City of Arvin Air Quality & Health Element & Comprehensive Green Zoning Code General Plan Update	1	Complete	\$150,000
Butte County Association of Governments	Coordinated Development of the 2010 Regional Transportation Plan(RTP), Sustainable Communities Strategy(SCS0, and Regional Housing Needs Allocation (RHNA) for the Butte County Area	1	Complete	\$100,000
Calimesa, City of	City of Calimesa Sustainability Planning Targeted General Plan Update	1	Complete	\$352,360
Calipatria, City of	City of Calipatria Zoning Ordinance & General Plan Update	1	Complete	\$175,000
Capitola, City of	Targeted General Plan Update	1	Complete	\$100,000
Chino Hills, City of	Open Space Management Plan	1	Complete	\$250,000
Clovis, City of	Shaw Avenue Corridor Plan	1	Complete	\$295,500
Concord, City of	Preparation of Climate Action Plan & Natural Resources Conservation Plan	1	Complete	\$859,970
Corcoran, City of	City of Corcoran General Plan Update	1	Complete	\$450,000
Dana Point, City of	City of Dana Point Doheny Village Plan	1	Complete	\$340,000
Farmersville, City of	Farmersville Comprehensive Infrastructure Master Plan	1	Complete	\$267,000
Fresno, City of	Strategic Centers Solution for SB375 Implementation	1	Complete	\$992,214
Fullerton, City of	City of Fullerton Downtown Core and Corridors Specific Plan (DCCSP)	1	Complete	\$1,000,000

Grantee	Project Name	Funding Round	Project Status	Total Funding Amount
Kings County Association of Governments	Kings County County-Wide Climate Action Plan	1	Complete	\$385,000
Los Angeles, City of	South Los Angeles Green Alleys Master Plan	1	Complete	\$271,000
Mendocino, County of	Community Health Services, Mendocino county Health and Human Services agency	1	Complete	\$461,340
Merced, City of	Bellevue Corridor Community Plan	1	Complete	\$251,345
MTC Association of Bay Area Governments	One Bay Area: A Community Strategy for a Sustainable Region	1	Complete	\$1,000,000
Monterey Bay Area, Association of Governments	Joint Work Program for the Sustainable Communities Strategy	1	Complete	\$750,000
Monterey Park, City of	A Healthy and Green Monterey Park	1	Complete	\$160,000
Morgan Hill, City of	Solar Highways Pilot Project - Creating Solar Power in Excess Freeway Right of Way	1	Complete	\$380,000
Richmond, City of	Form-Based Code for Richmond's Commercial Corridors	1	Complete	\$895,210
Riverbank, City of	SR 108 Relinquishment and Reinvestment Plan	1	Complete	\$536,000
Sacramento, County of	Folsom Blvd. Transit Rail Corridor Implementation Project: Infrastructure technical studies & GHG reduction modeling	1	Complete	\$998,820
Sacramento Area Council of Governments	Integrating and Implementing the Sustainable Communities Strategy and the Rural Urban Connections Strategy	1	Complete	\$750,000
San Diego, City of	Southeastern San Diego Community Plan Update	1	Complete	\$1,000,000
San Diego SANDAG	Planning Grant & Incentive Program; Regional SB 375 Plus Funding	1	Complete	\$750,000
San Francisco, County and City of	Green Connections - Linking EDC's to Public Amenities and Open Space	1	Complete	\$633,000
San Joaquin Council of Governments	San Joaquin Valley Blueprint Roadmap Program	1	Complete	\$1,000,000
San Luis Obispo, City of	General Plan Land Use and Circulation Elements Update	1	Complete	\$880,000
San Luis Obispo Council of Governments	SLOCOG 375+	1	Complete	\$239,000

Grantee	Project Name	Funding Round	Project Status	Total Funding Amount
San Luis Obispo, County of	San Luis Obispo County - Phase One Strategic Growth Implementation	1	Complete	San Luis Obispo County - Phase One Strategic Growth Implementation
Santa Barbara County Association of Governments	Santa Barbara County Assoc. of Gov. Sustainable Community Strategy	1	Complete	\$125,000
Santa Cruz, County of	Santa Cruz County Sustainable Community & Transit Corridors Plan	1	Complete	\$500,000
Santa Monica, City of	Memorial Park Master Plan	1	Complete	\$550,000
Shasta County RTPA	Shasta County Beta-SCS & Regional GIS/Climate Change Accountability Platform	1	Complete	\$300,000
South Gate, City of	Completion of a Comprehensive Form-Based Zoning Code	1	Complete	\$380,000
South San Francisco, City of	Climate Action Plan & Pedestrian Master Plan	1	Complete	\$323,624
Southern California Association of Governments	Sustainable Communities Planning Grant and Incentive Program	1	Complete	\$1,000,000
Stanislaus, County of	Stanislaus County's Regional Sustainability Toolbox (RST)	1	Complete	\$1,000,000
Stockton, City of	City of Stockton Climate Action Plan	1	Complete	\$398,423
Tahoe Metropolitan Planning Organization	Tahoe Basin Partnership for Sustainable Communities	1	Complete	\$995,000
Town of Mammoth Lakes	Zoning Code Update	1	Complete	\$318,245
Victorville, City of	Civic Center Community Sustainability Plan	1	Complete	\$356,210
Western Riverside Council of Governments (WRCOG)	Western Riverside County Climate Action Plan	1	Complete	\$410,150
Yolo (Planning and Public Works Dept.), County of	Yolo County Sustainable Zoning Code and Development Standards	1	Complete	\$139,724
Yuba, County of	Unified Development Code and Climate Action Plan	1	Complete	\$378,000
Association of Bay Area Governments (ABAG)	Plan Bay Area Implementation	2	Complete	\$1,000,000
Baldwin Park, City of	Development of a Sustainable Community Element	2	Complete	\$376,292
Blue Lake, City Of	City of Blue Lake Climate Action Plan and targeted General Plan/Zoning Ordinance Update	2	Complete	\$134,385

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Brawley, City of	Climate Action Plan and General Plan Amendments	2	Complete	\$127,600
Butte County Association of Governments	BCAG MTP/SCS Transit and Non-Motorized Transportation Plan	2	Complete	\$300,000
Calexico, City of	Climate Action Plan, Agricultural Element and Targeted General Plan Update	2	Complete	\$259,700
Chico, City of	Chico Infill Development and Sustainable Design Project	2	Complete	\$185,483
Clovis, City of	Central Clovis Specific Plan Update	2	Complete	\$149,211
Coachella Valley Association of Governments	Coachella Valley Parkway 1e11	2	Complete	\$999,982
Coalinga, City of	Coalinga Zoning Ordinance Update	2	Complete	\$100,396
East Palo Alto, City of	East Palo Alto General Plan and Zoning Code Update	2	Complete	\$1,000,000
Fresno Council of Governments	San Joaquin Valley Greenprint, Modeling and SCS Completion Project	2	Complete	\$1,000,000
Gridley, City of	City of Gridley Greenhouse Gas Reduction Plan, Development Code Update, and Infill Design Guidelines	2	Complete	\$445,973
Hawthorne, City of	Downtown Hawthorne Specific Plan	2	Complete	\$277,000
Hermosa Beach, City of	Comprehensive Blueprint for Sustainability and a Low Carbon Future	2	Complete	\$410,400
Live Oak, City of	City of Live Oak Downtown Reinvestment Plan	2	Complete	\$203,549
Long Beach, City of Development Services	South East Area Plan (SEAP)	2	Complete	\$929,000
Los Angeles, County of Metropolitan Transportation Authority	A Greater L.A: The Framework for Regional Climate Action and Sustainability	2	Complete	\$1,000,000
Los Angeles, County of Department of Parks and Recreation	County of Los Angeles Master Plan for Sustainable Parks and Recreation - Phase One	2	Complete	\$1,000,000

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Merced, City of	City of Merced Programmatic Climate Action Plan and Implementing Codes	2	Complete	\$294,268
Mono, County of	Mono County Sustainable Communities Policy Project	2	Complete	\$326,514
Mountain View, City of	Mountain View Zoning Updates	2	Complete	\$503,850
Oakland, City of	The Oakland Sustainable Neighborhoods Initiative	2	Complete	\$999,836
Oroville, City of	City of Oroville's Sustainable Code Update and Climate Action Plan	2	Complete	\$390,000
Sacramento Area Council of Governments	Implementing the MTP/SCS: A Rural and Urban Approach	2	Complete	\$897,821
San Diego Association of Governments (SANDAG)	Implementing the SANDAG Sustainable Communities Strategy	2	Complete	\$885,971
San Luis Obispo Council of Governments	SLOCOG -2013 RHNA and 2014 RTP-SCS	2	Complete	\$333,716
Santa Barbara County Association of Governments	Sustainable Strategy for Jobs, Housing, and Commuting	2	Complete	\$229,515
Santa Clara, County of	Silicon Valley 2.0: A Climate Action and Adaptation Plan for Strategic Growth, Reliable Infrastructure, Working Ecosystems, and a Healthy and Prosperous Region	2	Complete	\$991,516
Shasta County Regional Transportation Planning Authority	Shasta County Regional SCS Collaborative	2	Complete	\$528,570
Solano, County of	Solano Regional Climate Action Planning Program	2	Complete	\$275,555
Sonoma, County of Permit and Resource Management Dept. (PRMD)	Sonoma County Greenhouse Gas Reduction and Implementation Program (GRIP)	2	Complete	\$1,000,000
South Gate, City of	South Gate Specific Plan For Tweedy Mile And Hollydale Area	2	Complete	\$570,000
Southern California Association of Governments (SCAG)	Building Sustainable Communities in Southern California	2	Complete	\$1,000,000
Tahoe Metropolitan Planning Organization	Enhancing the Tahoe Basin Sustainable Communities Program	2	Complete	\$875,000

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Tulare, City of	Tulare Improvement Standards (TIS) Update Project	2	Complete	\$192,575
Tulare, County of RMA	Sustainable Highway Corridor Plan	2	Complete	\$383,853
Tulare, County of RMA	AAA Water and MT Sewer Project	2	Complete	\$939,861
Vallejo, City of	Integrated Revitalization Program for Sustainable Progress	2	Complete	\$742,500
Ventura, County of	Saticoy Area Plan Update: Creating a Sustainable and Vital Community	2	Complete	\$412,964
Humboldt County	North Coast Integrated Regional Planning - Healthy Communities, Functional Watersheds and Viable Communities	2	In Progress	\$1,000,000
San Jose	Urban Village Master Plan and Zoning Revisions for East Santa Clara Street and Alum Rock Avenue	2	In Progress-	\$635,594
Watsonville, City of	City of Watsonville Climate Action Plan	2	Complete	\$298,825
Anaheim, City of	West Anaheim (Beach Boulevard) Corridor Specific Plan	3	In-Progress	\$491,770
Antioch, City of	City of Antioch Downtown Specific Plan	3	In-Progress	\$426,857
Arroyo Grande, City of	Central Coast Collaborative CAP Implementation and Monitoring Program	3	In-Progress	\$102,940
Association of Bay Area Governments (ABAG)	Plan Bay Area Implementation	3	In-Progress	\$983,541
Association of Monterey Bay Area Governments	AMBAG Sustainable Communities Strategy Implementation Project (SCSIP)	3	In-Progress	\$491,770
Avenal, City Of	City of Avenal General Plan Update and Sustainability Implementation Programs	3	In-Progress	\$458,138
Burlingame, City of	City of Burlingame General Plan Update	3	In-Progress	\$491,770
Butte County	Renewable Energy Overlay	3	In-Progress	\$296,837
Colton, City of	City of Colton Downtown Sustainable Development Code	3	In-Progress	\$228,181
Cudahy, City of	Enabling Just and Sustainable Growth in Cudahy	3	In-Progress	\$105,913
Davis, City of	Downtown/University Gateway District Plan	3	In-Progress	\$591,108
Escondido, City of	Updated Area Plans for a Combined South Escondido Boulevard/South Quince Street Target Area	3	In-Progress	\$172,754
Goleta, City of	City of Goleta Bicycle/Pedestrian Master Plan	3	In-Progress	\$203,415
Hawthorne, City of	Hawthorne ECO-Village Revitalization Plan	3	In-Progress	\$422,922

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Holtville, City of	Holtville General Plan and Service Area Plan Update	3	In-Progress	\$248,836
Los Angeles County	West Carson Transit Oriented Development Specific Plan	3	In-Progress	\$491,770
Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority	Sustainable South Bay Transportation and Land Use Implementation Framework	3	In-Progress	\$885,048
Los Angeles, City of	Sustainable and Equitable Planning for Infill in Transit Priority Areas (Planning for Infill)	3	In-Progress	\$491,770
Madera County Transportation Commission	Implementing a Sustainable Energy Roadmap for the San Joaquin Valley	3	In-Progress	\$981,055
Pasadena, City of	Climate Action Plan (CAP) & Form-Based Code to Implement General Plan	3	In-Progress	\$491,770
Redding, City of	Update to the Downtown Redding Specific Plan Incorporating Infill Development Needs of the Sustainable Communities Plan	3	In-Progress	\$275,175
Sacramento Area Council of Governments	Accelerating Local Implementation of Sacramento Region Metropolitan Transportation Plan/Sustainable Communities Strategy	3	In-Progress	\$885,186
Sacramento, City of	Sacramento Intermodal Phase 3 Master Plan	3	In-Progress	\$491,770
San Diego, City of	Balboa Avenue Station Area Plan	3	In-Progress	\$786,832
San Francisco (County and City of)	San Francisco Railyard Alternatives and I-280 Boulevard Feasibility Study	3	In-Progress	\$490,672
San Jacinto, City of	City of San Jacinto Downtown Specific Plan	3	In-Progress	\$491,770
Santa Clara County	Driving to Net Zero: Decarbonizing Transportation in Silicon Valley	3	In-Progress	\$536,729
Santa Cruz County	Monterey Bay Community Power - Community Choice Aggregation (CCA) Phase 1 Technical Study	3	In-Progress	\$344,239
Sonoma County Transportation Authority	Shift Sonoma County	3	In-Progress	\$868,463
Southern California Association of Governments	Sustainable Communities Strategy Implementation in Southern California Through Sustainability Projects	3	In-Progress	\$983,541

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Tulare County	Disadvantaged Communities Infrastructure and Planning Policy Analysis	3	In-Progress	\$390,750
West Hollywood, City of	WeHo:ACTS (Active and Community-oriented Transportation Solutions)	3	In-Progress	\$245,885
West Sacramento, City of	Pioneer Bluff Redevelopment Master Plan	3	In-Progress	\$377,561

Appendix O: List of Sustainable Communities Planning Grant and Incentives Program (SCPGIP) Best Practices Pilot Awards¹

Applicant	Project Name	Description	Funding Amount
City of Arvin	Water Element	This proposal enables Arvin to incorporate a separate water element into its general plan. The water element will include a water conservation plan for drought and climate change, and a storm water recycling plan. The City plans to use storm water as part of a future greening program.	49,000
County of Contra Costa	Renewable Resource Potential Study	The Contra Costa County Renewable Resource Potential Study will identify the potential for distribution-scale renewable resources in unincorporated Contra Costa County, including solar, wind, biomass, and biogas, and identify changes to current zoning required to accommodate deployment of renewable resources.	49,000
County of Los Angeles	Green Zones Program: Environmental Justice Ground Truthing in East Los Angeles & Florence-Firestone	The Green Zones Program will consist of and integrate a Toxic Hotspots Map, land use regulation, business support programs, and community engagement. The proposed project will establish community engagement and ground truthing activities in the communities of East Los Angeles and Florence-Firestone for the program.	41,000

¹ Senate Bill 7329 created the Sustainable Communities Planning Grants and Incentives Program (SCPGIP) and directed the SGC to manage and allocate Prop 8410 funding in the form of grants and loans to support the planning and development of sustainable communities.

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County of Merced	Integration of GHG Inventory	This project will support the development of a GHG inventory of the transportation, waste, and energy sectors in the County of Merced. The project will incorporate the inventory with a county-level GHG Accounting Methodology Study and Implementation Guide, which will provide the tools for counties to set science-based targets for GHG reductions and other complementary environmental and public benefits on natural and working lands (e.g. agricultural, grazing, or riparian lands).	49,000
City of San Jose	Bike Plan Outreach Strategy	This proposal outlines a San Jose Bike Plan Outreach Strategy that reaches broader audiences. The plan aims to equitably include disadvantaged communities in the public process by developing activities, materials and tools for stand-alone events as well as resources for presenting at existing group meetings such as Parent-Teacher organizations, neighborhood associations, and other local community-based groups. Tools will include traditional print media as well as social media, presented in English, Spanish and Vietnamese.	49,000
County of San Luis Obispo	Oceano Eco-District Project	Habitat For Humanity and the County of San Luis Obispo are taking an innovative approach to their neighborhood revitalization efforts by creating an Eco District, an area that prioritizes inclusivity, community led design, energy independence, green infrastructure, active transportation, community grown food, local partnerships, and self-governance as a means to increasing the local quality of life. The project will include detailed green infrastructure public street-scape improvements, specific energy efficiency and renewable energy investments, and ongoing support to community members to make investments in their own neighborhood.	13,000