

## **STOCKTON TODAY**

South Stockton, home to approximately 50,000 people, has a rich and vibrant cultural history. A history of discriminatory housing policies, combined with long-standing social and economic marginalization, have displaced residents of historic neighborhoods such as Little Manila, leaving the community grappling with persistent public health, environmental, and quality-of-life disparities.

South Stockton faces climate impacts such as extreme heat, drought, and inland flooding – and Stockton Rising is proposing a set of projects to mitigate these impacts and build residents' climate resiliency.

In recent years, a strong community coalition has formed around community visioning and planning for a clean and economically vibrant South Stockton. The TCC

The Transformative Climate Communities Program (TCC) funds community-led development and infrastructure projects that achieve major environmental, health and economic benefits in California's most disadvantaged communities. TCC empowers the communities most impacted by pollution to choose their own goals, strategies and projects to enact transformational change – all with data driven milestones and measurable outcomes. California Strategic Growth Council awards TCC grants and partners with California Department of Conservation to implement them. TCC is part of California Climate Investments – cap-and-trade dollars at work.





investment will implement the Stockton Rising resident and stakeholder vision to uplift the community and work towards a more inclusive and sustainable future.

## STOCKTON RISING

Stockton Rising's project builds on the efforts supported by a 2018 TCC Planning Grant, which supported the development of the Rise Stockton partner coalition and resulted in the adoption of the Sustainable Neighborhood Plan (SNP). The SNP effort and Rise Stockton coalition engaged over 2,000 residents and translated resident needs into seven 'Community Priorities' containing projects and activities aimed at achieving the vision of an environmentally and economically healthy community.

Stockton Rising will implement several resident-selected projects that will provide increased access to a key downtown avenue, no-cost energy and water-efficiency installations, a more robust tree canopy, and food security. Among the numerous benefits of these projects, workforce development and economic opportunities woven throughout them will prepare residents for careers in a future decarbonized economy. Stockton Rising will at once achieve significant greenhouse gas reductions, improve community health outcomes, and economically empower the South Stockton community.

"A great idea to get people to think about the things they can do to increase energy efficiency and reduce their carbon footprint. More households in financial need could probably benefit [from this program] so they can make their [own] changes without having to pay."

-ANONYMOUS STOCKTON RESIDENT

## TCC STOCKTON COMPONENTS

- Economic Opportunity: TCC projects create over 140 employment opportunities in greenhouse gas reducing careers with focus on youth and formerly incarcerated individuals
- » Renewable Energy: 108 rooftop solar installations for low-income residents and 4 multi-family sites, producing over 621 kW
- » Energy & Water Efficiency: Energy and water efficient appliances for 812 households, to lower utility bills and energy and water demand
- » Urban Greening: 1,750 new street trees will replenish the urban forest
- » Health & Well-Being: Distribute 6,520 community supported agriculture boxes (approx. 104,320 pounds of food) to families with school children
- » Active Transportation & Mobility: Transform Miner Avenue to a complete street with bike lanes, fixed sidewalks, a new canopy cover
- » Workforce Development: 16 solar trainees, 36 youth pre-apprenticeships, 4 zero-emission bus maintenance mechanic apprenticeships, and 40 reentry vocational trainees
- » Community Engagement: Train 10 Community Liaisons and 55 Youth Leaders in climate resiliency, and resident representation on the Community Coalition and Steering Committee
- » Displacement Avoidance: Community workshops and surveys will assess the major displacement risks to residents and businesses of the project area

## BY THE NUMBERS

- » **Project area:** 5.01 square miles
- » Partners: Eleven partners, Catholic Charities, Edible Schoolyard Project, Rising Sun, Little Manila Rising, GRID Alternatives, San Joaquin Regional Transit District, PUENTES, Public Health Advocates, Insight Garden Program, Lead For America, UCLA Luskin Center for Innovation
- » Emissions reductions: 17,140 tonnes of CO<sub>2</sub>e
- » TCC grant: \$10.8 million
- » Leveraged funds: \$ 20.3 million

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