

Attachment D: TCC Round 5 Planning Grant Application Details

Recommended Action

Transformative Climate Communities (TCC) Staff recommend the Council award \$899,910.00 in funding from the FY 2022-23 General Fund for the Round 5 TCC Program to the three (3) top-scoring proposals for the TCC Planning Grant Program.

Summary

The TCC Round 5 Notice of Funding Availability made \$900,000 available for three (3) Planning Grant awards at \$300,000 each. In Round 5, TCC received fifteen (15) eligible applications from the following regions: Inland Empire, Central Valley, Los Angeles, North Coast, San Diego, Sierra Nevada, and the San Francisco Bay Area. Of the fifteen (15) applications, TCC Program Staff recommend three (3) for award. Grantees will complete grant terms of approximately two (2) years. The Strategic Growth Council (SGC) requires awarded applicants to address issues identified during the application review and Post-Award Consultation (PAC) Process prior to executing a grant agreement. SGC received six (6) applications include disadvantaged unincorporated communities (DUCs) and two (2) applications that include California Native American tribes as Co-Applicants. Applicants from these communities were eligible for Application Technical Assistance.

Background

About the TCC Planning Grant Program

The purpose of the TCC Planning Grant program is to prepare communities to apply for future TCC Implementation Grants or to implement funding from other sources that align with the TCC Program's objectives. Planning activities should focus on responding to planning issues or priorities that directly benefit low-income and disadvantaged communities. This may include evaluating or updating local policies or codes; completing fiscal impact analyses; preparing climate action and adaptation plans; conducting community engagement; or planning for workforce development and economic opportunities. Planning activities must also be consistent with the State's Planning Priorities, identified in Section 65041.1 of the Government Code. Planning Priorities focus on promoting infill development and equity by rehabilitating, maintaining, and improving existing infrastructure; protecting, preserving, and enhancing environmental and agricultural lands and natural and recreational resources; and encouraging location and resource efficient new development.

TCC Round 5 Planning Grant awards are awarded competitively among eligible disadvantaged community areas as defined in the TCC Guidelines.



Round 5 Applications Received

SGC received a total of fifteen (15) eligible Planning Grant applications. Each application is led by a Lead Applicant and supported by one or more Co-Applicants. The Lead Applicants are:

- 1. Urban Collaborative Project Community Development Corporation (City of San Diego)
- 2. Tranquillity Resource Conservation District (Fresno County)
- 3. GRID Alternatives Greater Los Angeles (City of Paramount)
- 4. Newberry Community Services District (San Bernardino County)
- 5. City of Long Beach
- 6. City of San José
- 7. City of Riverside
- 8. City of South El Monte
- 9. Promoting Sustainable Livelihoods Foundation (Mendocino County)
- 10. City of Merced
- 11. Contra Costa County
- 12. North San Juan Community Center (Nevada County)
- 13. Tzicatl Community Development Corporation (City of Los Angeles)
- 14. City of Moreno Valley
- 15. Acterra (City of Pittsburg)

SGC received one application that was not evaluated because it did not include any Co-Applicants, which is a program threshold requirement.

Application Review Process

All applications were evaluated through a multi-stage review process, including reviews by both TCC Program Staff (Program Staff) and an Interagency Review Panel (Panel). Program Staff included SGC and Department of Conservation (DOC) staff. Program Staff developed a scoring rubric for the Planning Grants by using the scoring criteria listed in the TCC Guidelines. Program Staff also developed detailed instructions on how to assign scores. Panel members were selected to complete a holistic review of the applications.

All submitted applications underwent the following review process:

- **Completeness Check:** Program Staff reviewed the applications for any missing or incomplete materials. Applicants were notified if their application was incomplete and were given two (2) business days to resubmit any incomplete or missing materials. The complete application packages were then sent to the Interagency Review Panel.
- Interagency Review Panel: Program Staff convened an Interagency Review Panel to review, evaluate, and provide feedback on Planning Grant applications. In line with the SGC Racial Equity Action Plan, Program Staff recruited a panel that would be a diverse, multi-agency body and prioritized participants trained by the Capitol Collaborative on Race and Equity. Twelve Interagency Reviewers scored proposals according to a scoring



rubric developed by Program Staff using the scoring criteria listed in the TCC Guidelines. Each application was reviewed by five (5) or six (6) Interagency Reviewers, and the reviewers' scores were averaged to arrive at a final score for each application. The maximum score was 100 points. The Interagency Review Panel included representatives from the following State entities:

- California Air Resources Board (CARB)
- California Department of Conservation (DOC)
- o California Department of Public Health (CDPH)
- California Department of Transportation (Caltrans)
- California Department of Water Resources (DWR)
- California Environmental Protection Agency (CalEPA)
- o California High Speed Rail Authority (HSRA)
- California Strategic Growth Council (SGC)
- San Gabriel & Lower Los Angeles Rivers & Mountains Conservancy (RMC)
- Sierra Nevada Conservancy (SNC)
- **Deliberations:** Following the review period, Program Staff facilitated deliberation meetings to allow Interagency Reviewers to discuss each application in depth. Reviewers had the opportunity to adjust their individual scores during and after the deliberation meetings, resulting in final, averaged scores out of 100 points.

Final Application Scores

Table D-1 shows the summarized combined scores for each application. Attachment E shows complete scores for each application.

Table D-1: Summary of Final Application Scores

Lead Applicant	Score
Urban Collaborative Project Community Development Corporation (City of San Diego)	92.5
Tranquillity Resource Conservation District (Fresno County)	91.3
GRID Alternatives Greater Los Angeles (City of Paramount)	89.4
Newberry Community Services District (San Bernardino County)	88.2
City of Long Beach	87.9
City of San José	87.8



City of Riverside	87.6
City of South El Monte	82.8
Promoting Sustainable Livelihoods Foundation (Mendocino County)	81.8
City of Merced	78.9
Contra Costa County	77.2
North San Juan Community Center (Nevada County)	77.0
Tzicatl Community Development Corporation (City of Los Angeles)	73.3
City of Moreno Valley	71.7
Acterra (City of Pittsburg)	69.9

Recommended Awards

Program Staff recommends the Council approve three (3) awards to the top-scoring applicants: Urban Collaborative Project Community Development Corporation, Tranquillity Resource Conservation District, and GRID Alternatives Greater Los Angeles. These three proposals include will meaningfully advance community-driven visions for transformation. The applicants demonstrated deep collaborative experience and capacity for executing the proposed planning activities. However, TCC Program staff would like to note that the entire applicant pool offered many excellent proposals with transformative potential.

Below are details of the applicants recommended for award. The subsequent section contains additional application information, including for those applications not recommended for award.

Award Recommendation 1: Urban Collaborative Project Community Development Corporation

- Location: City of San Diego
- Application Title: Community Planning Collaborative for a Green Southeast San Diego
- Recommended Award: \$300,000.00
- Project Description: This proposal will fund community engagement and plan development for the Southeast San Diego communities of Chollas View, Lincoln Park, and Emerald Hills. The planning efforts will include new urban greening plan, outreach related to clean mobility and active transportation, development of a streetscapes plan,



- a Resident Leadership Academy focused on health and environmental justice, community land trust development plan, and engagement related to affordable housing and displacement avoidance.
- Conditions on Award: TCC Program Staff will work with the awarded applicant on areas for improvement, which include but are not limited to:
 - Ensuring that outcomes include implementation-focused deliverables for prioritized projects.

Award Recommendation 2: Tranquillity Resource Conservation District

- Location: Fresno County
- Application Title: Transformative Communities Plan Development for Climate Readiness of an Agriculture-Based Economy of Historically Underserved Farmers, and the Workforce of the Future
- Recommended Award: \$299,910.00
- Project Description: The partners will develop and adopt an implementable, multilingual, district-wide Community Resilience Long Range Action Plan for the Tranquillity Resource Conservation District, which includes four disadvantaged unincorporated communities: Tranquillity, Raisin City, Alkali Flats, and Perry Colony. The proposal includes a program website, stipends for sustained involvement of ten community leaders, field trips, eight community sessions across the four unincorporated communities, and a final community session to adopt the community resilience plan, which will include a list of key projects and funding sources.
- Conditions on Award: TCC Program Staff will work with the awarded applicant on areas for improvement, which include but are not limited to:
 - Ensuring that community input, from both the Community Leaders and the broader community, will be integrated into the decision-making process during plan development.
 - Considering how to expand engagement opportunities beyond the planned workshops.
 - o Ensuring that all necessary public agency commitments have been secured.

Award Recommendation 3: GRID Alternatives Greater Los Angeles

- Location: City of Paramount
- Application Title: PACT for Paramount
- Recommended Award: \$300,000.00
- Project Description: The City of Paramount and a team of nonprofit partners will lead a
 participatory planning and project selection process to produce a Climate Pact for
 Paramount final report. The team will conduct needs assessments and literature
 reviews, conduct a variety of community engagement approaches to prioritize projects,
 synthesize outcomes in a Community Feedback Report, and create a Workforce



- Development Plan and a Project Implementation Roadmap. The proposal includes funding for a Community Advisory Council.
- Conditions on Award: TCC Program Staff will work with the awarded applicant on areas for improvement identified during the PAC Process.



Application Summaries

- 1. Urban Collaborative Project Community Development Corporation (City of San Diego)
- 2. Tranquillity Resource Conservation District (Fresno County)
- 3. GRID Alternatives Greater Los Angeles (City of Paramount)
- 4. Newberry Community Services District (San Bernardino County)
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Application 1: Urban Collaborative Project Community Development Corporation

Location: City of San Diego

Application Title: Community Planning Collaborative for a Green Southeast San Diego

Co-Applicants: 1) City of San Diego, 2) San Diego County Air Pollution Control District, 3) Tree San Diego, 4) San Diego Urban Sustainability Coalition, 5) Urban Corps of San Diego County, 6) GRID Alternatives San Diego, 7) Mundo Gardens

Total Funding Requested: \$300,000.00

Proposal Summary: This proposal will fund community engagement and plan development for the Southeast San Diego communities of Chollas View, Lincoln Park, and Emerald Hills. The planning efforts will include new urban greening plan, outreach related to clean mobility and active transportation, development of a streetscapes plan, a Resident Leadership Academy focused on health and environmental justice, community land trust development plan, and engagement related to affordable housing and displacement avoidance.

- This proposal builds off previous partnership and engagement and will result in a clear roadmap for project implementation at the conclusion of the grant term.
- Well-defined community engagement activities, including the Resident Leadership Academy, are strengths of the proposal.





Figure 1. Urban Collaborative Project Community Development Corporation Project Area



Application 2: Tranquillity Resource Conservation District

Location: Fresno County

Application Title: Transformative Communities Plan Development for Climate Readiness of an Agriculture-Based Economy of Historically Underserved Farmers, and the Workforce of the Future

Co-Applicants: 1) McMullin Area Groundwater Sustainability Agency, 2) Self Help Enterprises, 3) West Hills Community College - Farm of the Future, 4) Carbon Cycle Institute

Total Funding Requested: \$299,910.00

Proposal Summary: The partners will develop and adopt an implementable, multilingual, district-wide Community Resilience Long Range Action Plan for the Tranquillity Resource Conservation District, which includes four disadvantaged unincorporated communities: Tranquillity, Raisin City, Alkali Flats, and Perry Colony. The proposal includes a program website, stipends for sustained involvement of ten community leaders, field trips, eight community sessions across the four unincorporated communities, and a final community session to adopt the community resilience plan, which will include a list of key projects and funding sources.

- This proposal includes attainable goals built on strong partnerships with experienced partners and would prepare the community for future investment from a variety of sources.
- The proposal will benefit rural, unincorporated communities in need of basic infrastructure.
- The inclusion of community leaders in the planning process is a strength.



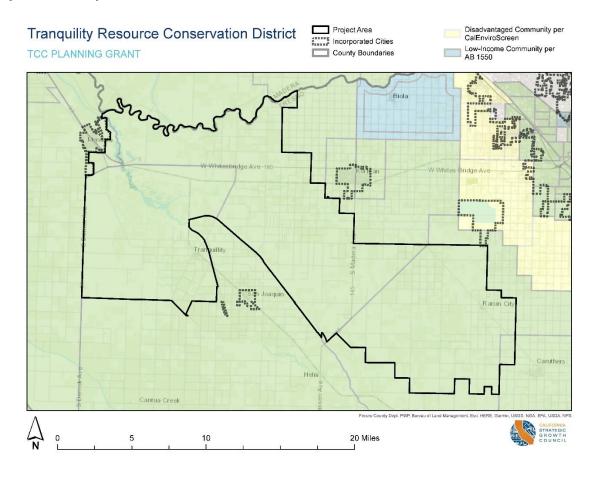


Figure 2. Tranquillity Resource Conservation District Project Area



Application 3: GRID Alternatives Greater Los Angeles

Location: City of Paramount

Application Title: PACT for Paramount

Co-Applicants: 1) City of Paramount, 2) TreePeople, 3) Los Angeles Neighborhood Land Trust, 4)

Healthy Active Streets, 5) Long Beach Conservation Corps, 6) The Energy Coalition, 7)

Environmental Science Associates

Total Funding Requested: \$300,000.00

Proposal Summary: The City of Paramount and a team of nonprofit partners will lead a participatory planning and project selection process to produce a Climate Pact for Paramount final report. The team will conduct needs assessments and literature reviews, conduct a variety of community engagement approaches to prioritize projects, synthesize outcomes in a Community Feedback Report, and create a Workforce Development Plan and a Project Implementation Roadmap. The proposal includes funding for a Community Advisory Council.

- This proposal includes a strong partnership structure with clearly defined roles for each Co-Applicant and addresses several of TCC's Transformative Elements in an area with a clear need for community-based planning and investment.
- The Community Advisory Council structure is a strength of the proposal.



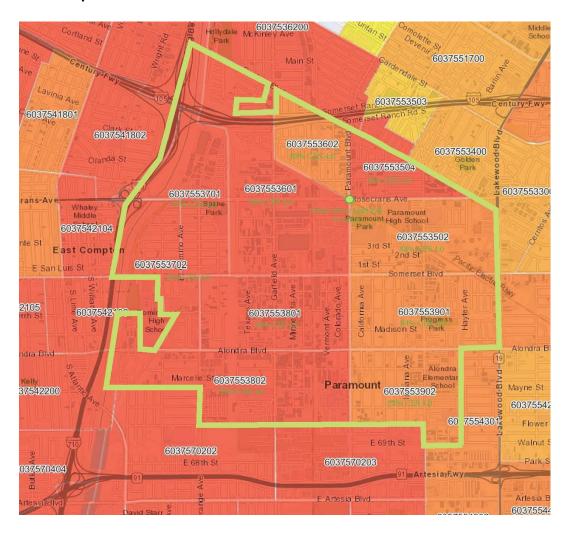


Figure 3. GRID Alternatives Greater Los Angeles Project Area



Application 4: Newberry Community Services District

Location: San Bernardino County

Application Title: Newberry Springs Community Enhancement Project

Co-Applicants: 1) Main Street Murals

Total Funding Requested: \$298,500.00

Proposal Summary: The application proposes planning and community engagement activities related to a proposed civic hub and electric transit service, as well as to upgrades to an existing community center and park. Main Street Murals will partner with the Community Services District for design elements and concepts.

- The proposal demonstrates a strong understanding of community needs, and the planned activities are targeted, realistic, and tailored to the community context.
- The proposal is informed by past planning and engagement activities.
- Areas for improvement include developing additional partnerships and including larger budgets for Co-Applicants, ensuring that final outcomes of all proposed activities are clearly defined, and expanding the workforce development component.



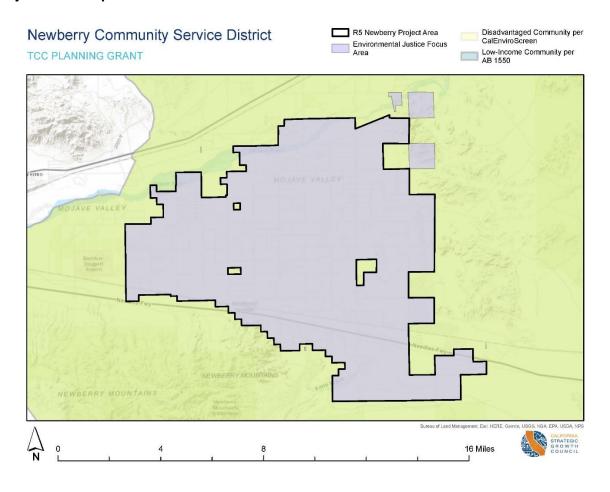


Figure 4. Newberry Community Services District Project Area



Application 5: City of Long Beach

Location: City of Long Beach

Application Title: Climate-Ready Long Beach Plan (ClimateReadyLB)

Co-Applicants: 1) Conservation Corps of Long Beach, 2) City Fabrick, 3) Century Villages at

Cabrillo, 4) The Energy Coalition, 5) GRID Alternatives, 6) Linc Housing

Total Funding Requested: \$300,000.00

Proposal Summary: This proposal will result in a plan that prioritizes capital projects and programs to reduce GHGs, improve public health, and expand economic opportunities. Activities include formalizing a ClimateReadyLB Collaborative, community engagement to prioritize projects, and finalizing the plan. By the end of the grant term, the partners intend to have the ClimateReadyLB Plan adopted by City Council and to have the partnerships in place to implement the plan.

- Co-Applicants have been previously successful in other TCC grants.
- The proposal focuses on preparing for larger implementation grants, which heavily aligns with the goal of a TCC Planning Grant.
- The proposal has very strong community engagement and workforce development plans, including multi-lingual efforts, upskilling residents to lead future efforts, and serving youth of color.
- However, the integration of the various Co-Applicants throughout the workplan was a weakness. One Co-Applicant was expected to receive 61% of the budget. The review team felt there could have been a better division of labor.



Figure 1

Proposed Planning Area: West-Central Long Beach

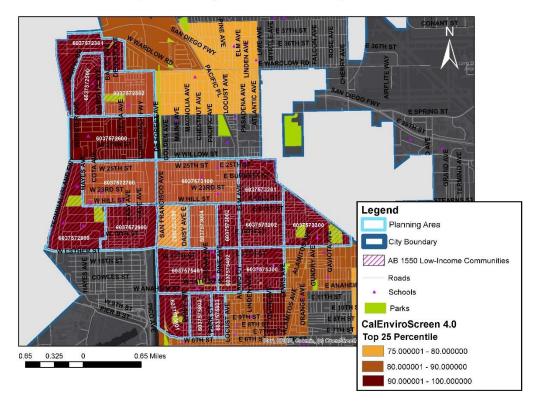


Figure 5. City of Long Beach Project Area



Application 6: City of San José

Location: City of San José

Application Title: Resilient Mayfair

Co-Applicants: 1) Amigos De Guadalupe, 2) Grail Family Services, 3) School of Arts and Culture,

4) Veggielution, 5) SOMOS Mayfair

Total Funding Requested: \$300,000.00

Proposal Summary: This proposal is a partnership between the City of San José and the *¡Sí Se Puede!* Collective, composed of organizations working in partnership in the Mayfair neighborhood in East San José, to promote climate resilience through a variety of strategies. Planning activities will result in commercial and residential anti-displacement recommendations for the City Council, plans for a Community Development Corporation to preserve affordable housing and commercial properties, a Mayfair Cultural District, bike and pedestrian improvements, zero emissions transportation projects, community greening, a community food hub, an electric vehicle transition program for local auto shops, and a small business capital injection program to support home childcare and food businesses.

- The application includes a strong description of community assets. It proposes several unique projects with a strong focus on climate adaptation and economic development and connections to the TCC Transformative Elements.
- The strong existing relationships between partners are a strength, but there could have been more detail on the roles and responsibilities of each partner and the partnership structure and decision-make process of the collaborative, including how community members will be actively involved in decision-making and project prioritization.
- The amount of work proposed is very ambitious for the time and budget available.



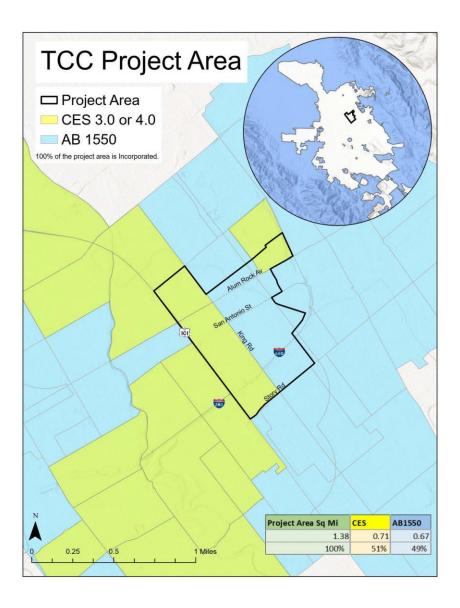


Figure 6. City of San José Project Area



Application 7: City of Riverside

Location: City of Riverside

Application Title: Casa Blanca Thrives

Co-Applicants: 1) Casa Blanca Home of Neighborly Services, 2) California Baptist University, 3) Feeding America, 4) Riverside Transit Agency, 5) Riverside County Workforce Development Centers, 6) Riverside Unified School District, 7) TreePeople, 8) Western Riverside Council of Government, 9) Grid Alternatives Inland Empire, 10) Riverside Community Health Foundation, 11) Inland Empire Labor Institute

Total Funding Requested: \$300,000.00

Proposal Summary: This proposal will bring together the Casa Blanca community to guide neighborhood planning and design efforts for community projects that will help to mitigate climate change and improve community health. Tasks include conducting community surveys, establishing a Citizen Advisory Council, developing a 2032 Community Action Plan, initiating CEQA process, and approving and finalizing a 2032 Community Action Plan.

- The applicant was very knowledgeable of the TCC Program and had robust, diverse, and committed partnerships.
- The budget to support direct resident participation was limited.
- The budget was lacking detail, included no travel funds despite the proposed activities, and had no indirect costs.
- Activities to address several Transformative Elements were proposed in the application but were very vague. The Transformative Elements did not seem in depth or clearly integrated.



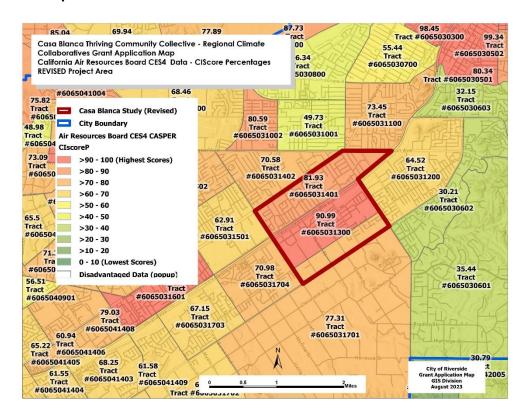


Figure 7. City of Riverside Project Area



Application 8: City of South El Monte

Location: City of South El Monte

Application Title: Planning a Sustainable South El Monte

Co-Applicants: 1) Active San Gabriel Valley

Total Funding Requested: \$260,896.00

Proposal Summary: The City of South El Monte and Active San Gabriel Valley will gather input on potential climate resilience projects through surveys, canvassing, tabling, focus groups, and presentations to existing community groups. The partners will create a TCC Steering Committee consisting of community partners, residents, and leaders. A Community Advisory Committee will provide input on the community engagement portion of the grant. The City of South El Monte will conduct a feasibility analysis of the projects identified during the community engagement process, prioritize projects based on feasibility and community priority, and identify potential funding sources.

- The Co-Applicants have a history of collaboration and have a clear understanding of the community's needs, and the proposal has a strong focus on identifying feasible, community-prioritized projects and corresponding funding sources.
- The purpose and roles of the two stakeholder groups could be more clearly defined.
- The lack of stipends for residents who participate in the planning process, particularly those serving on the two committees, is a drawback.
- Formalizing the partnerships with community-based organizations and other entities that were mentioned in the application by including them as funded Co-Applicants would strengthen the transformative potential of the proposal.
- Integration of additional transformative elements, such as Displacement Avoidance or Workforce Development and Economic Opportunities, would strengthen the proposal.



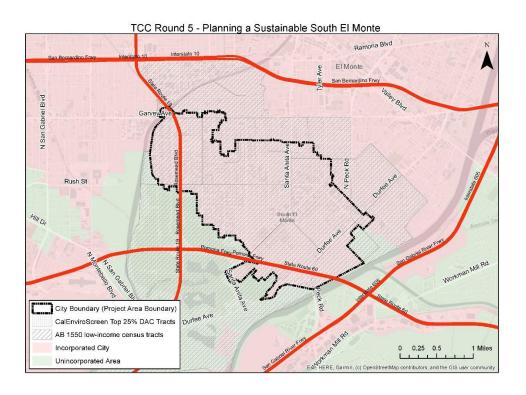


Figure 8. City of South El Monte Project Area



Application 9: Promoting Sustainable Livelihoods Foundation

Location: Mendocino County

Application Title: Transformative Planning for Tribal Communities in the Russian River Watershed and Surrounding Areas

Co-Applicants: 1) Mendocino County Resource Conservation District, 2) Potter Valley Tribe of Pomo Indians, 3) Hopland Band of Pomo Indians, 4) Guidiville Band of Pomo Indians, 5) Pinoleville Pomo Nation

Total Funding Requested: \$300,000.00

Proposal Summary: This proposal will support Tribal climate adaptation planning in the Russian River Watershed. The proposed activities include a Tribal Needs Assessment developed through surveys and workshops with Tribes and local agencies and plans related to specific climate resilience topics.

Deliberation Discussion Summary:

- The partnerships between the multiple Tribes, building on previous collaboration, are a strength.
- There are discrepancies between the workplan, narrative, and budget, resulting in confusion about what activities will be conducted.
- The workplan and budget would benefit from additional detail. The work plan is broad and ambitious for the proposed timeline.
- The application would be strengthened by inclusion of activities aimed at securing funding to implement the outcomes of the planning process.

Note: A similar proposal was submitted for a Round 5 Project Development Grant by the same applicant team, with Mendocino County Resource Conservation District as the Lead Applicant. That Project Development Grant proposal is being recommended for an award.



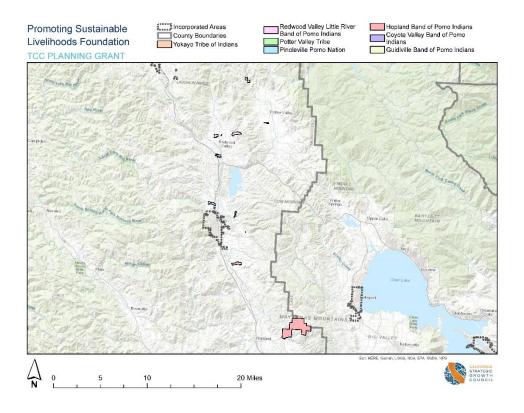


Figure 9. Promoting Sustainable Livelihoods Foundation Project Area



Application 10: City of Merced

Location: City of Merced

Application Title: South Merced Community Collaborative

Co-Applicants: 1) Cultiva La Salud, 2) Valley Onward

Total Funding Requested: \$289,296.40

Proposal Summary: The partners will conduct community engagement in South Merced with community workshops, roundtable discussions, and surveys. The proposal will result in multiple plans that will focus on affordable housing, pedestrian plazas, a community land trust, and displacement avoidance policies. During the last months of the grant term, the applicant will pursue funding opportunities for the implementation of these plans.

- This applicant proposes strong and unique community engagement strategies, including utilizing existing community events like farmer's markets.
- However, the applicant mentions both air quality and health inequities are prominent issues in the community, but proposed the work plan doesn't focus on these issues.
- Overall, the proposal could benefit from additional detail. It is unclear on the roles of Co-Applicants, the feasibility of the projects described, and the purpose of some budget items listed.



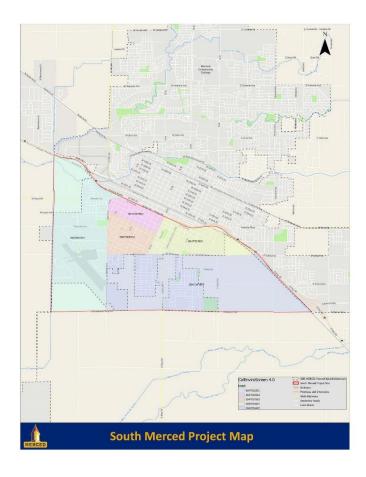


Figure 10. City of Merced Project Area



Application 11: Contra Costa County

Location: Contra Costa County

Application Title: Resilient Bay Point

Co-Applicants: 1) Rising Juntos, 2) Center for Human Development, 3) Healthy and Active

Before 5, 4) Sustainable Contra Costa, 5) La Clínica

Total Funding Requested: \$289,500.00

Proposal Summary: Contra Costa County will partner with several community-based organizations to develop actionable plans for the implementation of climate resilience projects in Bay Point based on existing planning efforts and new community engagement. Phase 1 of the planning effort will focus on educating the community on the many studies and reports developed since 2011 and gathering feedback on community priorities and challenges though canvassing, surveys, focus groups, and community meetings and events. Phase 2 will involve consolidating the feedback into a strategic roadmap which will be vetted by the community.

- The Co-Applicants organizations are diverse and seem well-suited to conducting this work in this community. The proposal addresses several TCC Transformative Elements.
- Given the focus on revisiting the large number of existing plans, the need for additional planning funds is less significant than in some communities. However, the choice to build upon existing work is a strength.
- The proposal includes stipends and mini grants for partnership with additional organizations, which is a strength, but these costs are combined with other costs in the budget, making it difficult to determine whether all costs are adequate for the proposed work.
- The work plan and budget would be strengthened with additional detail.
- While the goals and outcomes are strong, the path to those outcomes is less clear.



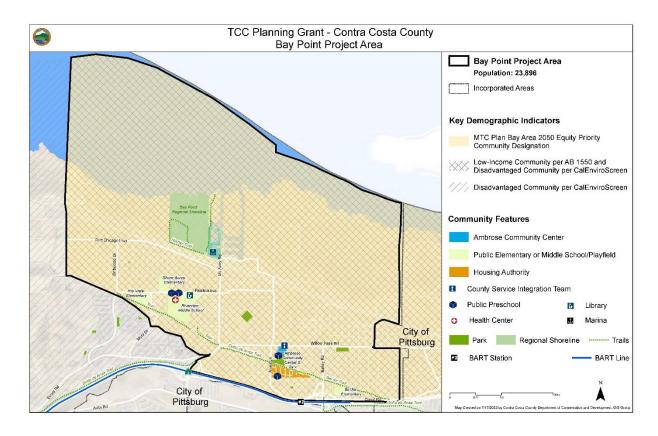


Figure 11. Contra Costa County Project Area



Application 12: North San Juan Community Center

Location: Nevada County

Application Title: Revitalizing the San Juan Ridge Community

Co-Applicants: 1) County of Nevada

Total Funding Requested: \$300,000.00

Proposal Summary: The proposed project will create a community-informed road map to address major local concerns such as fire safety and prevention, water pollution and water security, and economic development. The proposal includes a needs assessment and options to mitigate identified needs, a feasibility study of the proposed actions, community talking circles to build trust with government representatives, prioritization of projects based on the feasibility study outcomes, and partnership building.

- This is a very detailed proposal that includes a clear description of the Project Area, community, and community challenges. It includes a strong focus on community engagement.
- Community members who participate in the grant will be making an extremely large time commitment without being compensated for their time.
- Some of the issues would be better addressed on a larger geographic scale, such as wildfire and water issues. Some of these issues are being addressed by organizations in this area who are not included as Co-Applicants.
- The role of County staff in the planning activities is not well defined despite their large share of the budget.



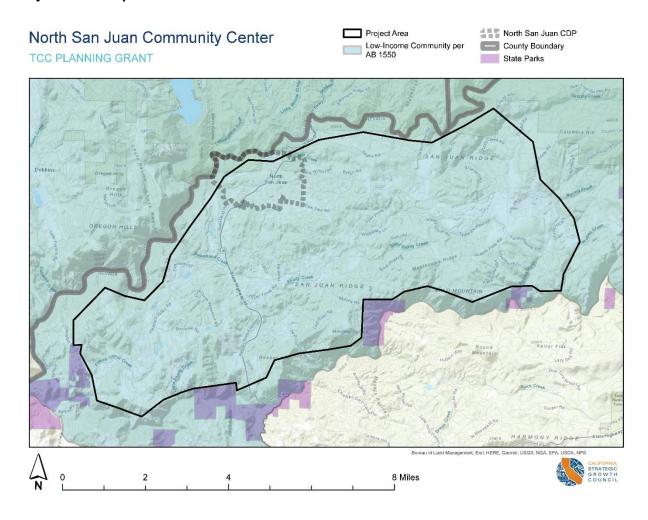


Figure 12. North San Juan Community Center Project Area



Application 13: Tzicatl Community Development Corporation

Location: City of Los Angeles

Application Title: Ya'anna Regenerative Learning Village and Eco-Cultural Center

Co-Applicants: 1) Gabrielino Shoshone Tribe of Southern California, 2) City of Los Angeles Board

of Public Works

Total Funding Requested: \$297,500.00

Proposal Summary: This proposal will support planning to establish The Chief Ya'anna Regenerative Learning Village (Ya'anna Village) on 12 acres of undeveloped, open space in Los Angeles. The eventual project site will serve as a community learning center and gathering space that will primarily serve will primarily serve Indigenous populations and populations within surrounding communities of El Sereno and Debs Park. The site will include native vegetation plantings, a Native plant medicine garden, an outdoor kitchen, Indigenous permaculture, workforce development opportunities, and youth education opportunities. TCC planning activities focus on water infrastructure, transit connectivity, and climate resilience. Additional proposed activities include property maintenance, soil surveys, and property line surveys.

- The vision of the proposed Ya'anna Village project is well aligned with the goals of the TCC program, and the project has the potential to be a model for resiliency strategies.
- The Co-Applicants are building on strong partnerships, including with organizations not formally included as Co-Applicants, to advance the vision for this site.
- Many of the proposed activities are not a good fit for the TCC Planning Grant, and the
 proposal includes significant ineligible expenses. The activities that could be a better fit
 are not sufficiently described in the workplan and budget.



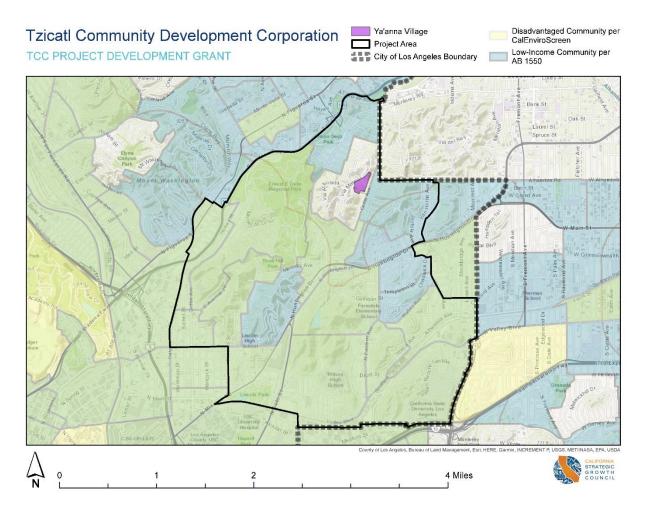


Figure 13. Tzicatl Community Development Corporation Project Area



Application 14: City of Moreno Valley

Location: City of Moreno Valley

Application Title: MoVal Healthy Places Community Action Plan

Co-Applicants: 1) Riverside University Health System – Public Health, 2) Moreno Valley College

Total Funding Requested: \$300,000.00

Proposal Summary: This proposal centers on improving food systems and food equity by promoting and incentivizing access to healthy and affordable foods in underserved areas of Moreno Valley. This proposal will result in a Community Health Assessment and Group Evaluation Tool, Community Food Assessment, Food System Action Plan, and presentation to the City Council.

- While this is a unique proposal, the applicant did not make a clear connection between food equity and reducing GHG emissions. The narrative questions could be strengthened if the applicant was more explicit on how they plan to address the TCC objective of reducing GHG emissions.
- The community partnerships lack diversity. The application could be strengthened by including community-based organizations as part of the proposal.
- The timeline is ambitious, including time set aside for grant administration.
- The budget could benefit from additional detail.



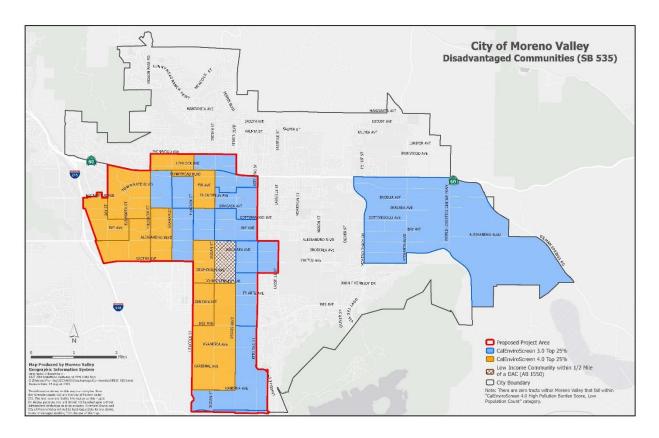


Figure 14. City of Moreno Valley Project Area



Application 15: Acterra Location: City of Pittsburg

Application Title: Electrifying Pittsburg – Education, Outreach and Planning in Support of the

City's 2023 Sustainability Action Plan

Co-Applicants: 1) Sustainable Contra Costa, 2) City of Pittsburg

Total Funding Requested: \$299,950.00

Proposal Summary: This proposal will support the City of Pittsburg's 2023 Sustainability Plan's electrification activities and goals by preparing residents for planned electrification projects and involving them in the planning and implementation of anticipated activities. Proposed activities include community outreach through community meetings, focus groups, and surveys; identifying and networking with community-based organizations; and conducting electrification-specific outreach.

- By focusing only on electrification, the proposal had a narrow focus compared to other applications. The review team felt this did not align with TCC's objective of being multibenefit.
- The workplan and narrative questions were lacking detail, particularly related to the roles and responsibilities of each partner, the results of previous community engagement efforts, and specific deliverables.
- The application discussed the vulnerability of the communities it would serve, but it was unclear how these residents would be directly involved in the development process.



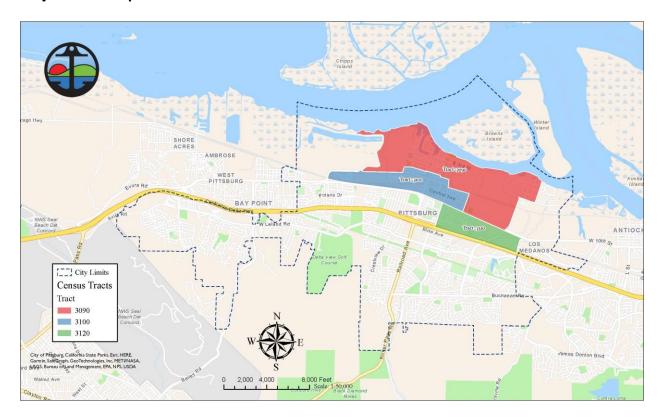


Figure 15. Acterra Project Area



Council Recommendation

Transformative Climate Communities (TCC) Staff recommend the Council award \$899,910.00 in funding from the FY 2022-23 General Fund for the Round 5 TCC Program to the three (3) top-scoring proposals for the TCC Planning Grant Program.

