Transformative Climate Communities

Implementation Grants



TCC Implementation Grants

Round	Award Date	Grantee	TCC Project Name	Funding Awarded	Leverage Funds
1	Jan 2018	City of Fresno	Transform Fresno	\$66,500,000	\$116,700,729.69
1	Jan 2018	City of Ontario	Ontario Connects – People Places Prosperity	\$33,250,000	\$28,997,038.65
1	Jan 2018	Housing Authority of the City of Los Angeles	Watts Rising	\$33,250,000	\$169,805,474.14
2	Dec 2018	Sacramento Housing and Redevelopment Agency	SIMPL: Sacramento Integrated Multi- Modal Place Based Living	\$23,000,000	\$180,889,912.21
2	Dec 2018	Community Partners	Green Together: Northeast San Fernando Valley	\$23,000,000	\$38,689,136.58
3	Jun 2020	City of Oakland	Better Neighborhoods, Same Neighbors	\$28,200,000	\$34,280,298.00
3	Jun 2020	City of Stockton	Stockton Rising	\$10,834,490	\$20,393,378.40
3	Jun 2020	City of Riverside	Eastside Climate Collaborative	\$9,080,510	\$47,144,462.44
4	Oct 2022	Community Partners	South Los Angeles Eco-Lab	\$35,000,000	\$24,614,575
4	Oct 2022	City of Richmond	Richmond Rising	\$35,000,000	\$17,342,527
4	Oct 2022	City of Stockton	Stockton Rising	\$24,165,510	\$12,400,490

TCC Implementation Grant Summaries

ROUND 1 AWARDS

City of Fresno

Transform Fresno

Local Fresno leaders formed the Transformative Climate Communities Collaborative to identify a plan for economic and environmental transformation of South-west, Chinatown, and Downtown Fresno. A

Community Steering Committee, comprised of over 160 residents and local business owners, participated in a series of community meetings that put the decision-making power in their hands.

During these meetings, participants were encouraged to propose projects. Sixty-two projects were proposed in total, of which 37 were deemed eligible for funding consideration. Eligible projects were then gathered into five packages that were presented to the Community Steering Committee. At the final Community Steering Committee meeting, a total of 126 Committee members voted to select the projects they wanted to see come to fruition in their community. They overwhelmingly chose the package designed by residents of Southwest Fresno – one of the state's most "disadvantaged" neighborhoods.

Awarded \$66.5 million in 2018.

Learn more about Transform Fresno: http://www.transformfresno.com/

Housing Authority of the City of Los Angeles Watts Rising

The "Watts Rising" plan for neighborhood transformation through the TCC program builds upon a decade of community leadership and planning, including more than 200 community engagement activities and outreach to over 5,000 individuals. After learning about the TCC program, the Housing Authority of the City of Los Angeles hosted six public workshops that were attended by over 400 community members, including Watts residents, local government and elected officials, medical providers, educators, environmental and business leaders, community group representatives, and religious leaders.

During the workshops, these diverse stakeholders set goals and selected strategies to reduce greenhouse gas emissions, improve public health and provide economic benefits to the community. Participants then voted to select priority projects and worked collaboratively to define the details of the Watts Rising plan. The Housing Authority presented the final proposed plan at numerous stakeholder meetings and at four public housing sites to gather additional input before submitting its winning application.

Awarded \$33.25 million in 2018.

Learn more about Watts Rising: https://www.wattsrising.org/

City of Ontario

Ontario Together

Ontario's TCC partners reflect a diverse representation of community members and organizations from variety of sectors including housing, environmental justice, public health, public transit, economic development, education, and small businesses. In 2007, a coalition of community residents, partners and the City of Ontario came together to improve the quality of life in their city by creating the Healthy Ontario Initiative. The strong relationships that the City of Ontario made with local stakeholders through this initiative laid the groundwork for the city's TCC proposal. A visioning process that had been carried out in 2012 – long before the inception of TCC – was the first step in developing the city's TCC plan.

In early 2017, the city analyzed data from this process to develop priorities and goals for TCC funding. To ensure that the city's Transformative Plan reflected the true priorities of the community, public workshops and meetings were held to select projects that would address health and economic disparities, food security, housing and transit, active transportation, and other key issues.

Awarded \$33.25 million in 2018.

Learn more about Ontario Together: http://www.ontariotogether.com/

ROUND 2 AWARDS

Community Partners

Green Together: Northeast Valley

Pacoima and Sun Valley community members and organizations had long advocated for safer, healthier, and more resilient neighborhoods. Their organizing enabled community-based organization Pacoima Beautiful to expand and deepen its collaborative approach, leading to the 2016 launch of the Green Together Coalition, which includes The Trust for Public Land, GRID Alternatives Greater Los Angeles, Los Angeles Conservation Corps, Los Angeles Business Council, UCLA Center for Neighborhood Knowledge, the Metropolitan Transit Authority ("Metro"), and the City of Los Angeles Departments of Transportation, Water and Power, Sanitation, and Environment. With the support of fiscal sponsor, Community Partners, members of the Green Together Coalition worked together to apply for a TCC grant based on a deep engagement process that included input from more than 415 participants.

This engagement revealed residents' concerns around community safety and highlighted a need for improved pedestrian rights-of-way, urban greening, and street improvements. Reflecting community priorities, Pacoima's plan will invest in urban greening, active transportation improvements, and job training with the goal of creating a socially inclusive and climate-resilient neighborhood for the 50,000 residents of the Green Together project area.

Awarded \$23 million in 2018.

Learn more about Green Together: https://www.greentogethercollaborative.org/

Sacramento Housing and Redevelopment Agency

SIMPL: Sacramento Integrated Multi-Modal Place-Based Living

Sacramento Housing and Redevelopment Agency (SHRA) and committed partners convened a strategic planning effort in the River District neighborhood with about 900 residents who participated in more than 60 community engagement activities to determine together how to mobilize climate investments to reflect the community's priorities. The SIMPL (Sacramento Integrated Multi-Modal Place-Based Living) Project applies a theory of "simplexity" by addressing the complex issue of greenhouse gas reduction with the simple approach of increasing multi-modal transportation options for residents.

Transit access and mobility are at the heart of the SIMPL project and connectivity is a priority across the project area. Most significantly, the TCC investment will provide transit connectivity for project area residents, allowing access to new job and educational opportunities. The TCC projects, in coordination with leveraged projects, will also create an integrated place with new parks, green spaces, and paths for

biking and walking that people – SIMPL area residents and those from other neighborhoods – will want to be in.

Awarded \$23 million in 2018.

Learn more about SIMPL: https://www.simplsac.org/

ROUND 3 AWARDS

City of Oakland

Better Neighborhoods, Same Neighbors: An East Oakland Neighborhood Initiative

Oakland's 'Better Neighborhoods, Same Neighbors' project builds on a year-long, community-led visioning process by the East Oakland Neighborhoods Initiative (EONI) supported by a 2018 TCC Planning Grant. EONI focused deep engagement on six neighborhoods in East Oakland, and the final TCC implementation proposal represents a partnership between the City of Oakland, multiple community-based organizations, regional partners, and local residents.

The EONI community plan envisioned an East Oakland with healthy surroundings, safe and accessible transportation, thriving arts and culture, community wealth building, and housing as a human right. To that end, the Better Neighborhoods, Same Neighbors project will invest in a new affordable housing development with a health clinic, a bike share and youth education project, urban greening and an aquaponics farm that provides living wage jobs, trail education programs, a small business alliance, and accessory dwelling unit toolkits for local residents.

Awarded \$28.2 million in 2020.

Learn more about Better Neighborhoods, Same

Neighbors: https://www.oaklandca.gov/topics/transformative-climate-communities-tcc-grant

City of Riverside

Eastside Climate Collaborative

The Eastside Climate Collaborative project was developed through engagement with over 400 Eastside Riverside residents, who voiced the need for improved air quality, access to affordable green technology, addressing extreme weather conditions, more reliable transportation options, affordable housing, and access to green jobs and workforce training. The Eastside Riverside neighborhood has struggled with educational attainment, job opportunities, and environmental health issues from airborne pollution due to being surrounded by three freeways.

The TCC project will invest in the Eastside neighborhood's vision for a prosperous, green, and climate-resilient community. Building on the community planning process supported by a 2018 TCC Planning Grant, the projects focus on energy efficiency, drought-tolerant landscapes, and shade and fruit tree planting for low-income residents of Eastside. The community engagement plan will focus on climate change, public health, and civic engagement; and the project will provide workforce training programs in the building trades and sustainable agriculture. The TCC project will be amplified with a leverage-funded Affordable Housing and Sustainable Communities grant within the project area, which will build a 64-

unit affordable housing development served by a high-quality transit hub and bike and pedestrian mobility enhancements.

Awarded \$9 million in 2020.

Learn more about the Eastside Climate Collaborative: http://riversideca.gov/eastside

City of Stockton Stockton Rising

Stockton Rising reflects a vision to invest in environmental equity and the community's aspirations for a prosperous and healthy South Stockton. The project builds on the Sustainable Neighborhood Plan (SNP) effort - shepherded by the Rise Stockton coalition, supported by a 2018 TCC Planning Grant, and adopted by the Stockton City Council in 2019. Rooted in the first-hand resident perspectives and existing strategic planning documents, the SNP was the first community-led plan to address the unique challenges facing South Stockton, including historical redlining and economic marginalization, public health disparities, and environmental pollution.

Several community-based organizations partnered to engage nearly 2,000 South Stockton residents at community meetings, annual events, and through community liaisons and youth leaders. The community identified top priorities for future community development: energy, health, parks, safety, transportation, waste, and water. The Stockton Rising project invests in these priorities through energy and water efficiency measures for low-income households, community supported agriculture, urban greening, and complete street improvements. The project also includes an integrated workforce development plan that will provide pre-apprenticeship pipelines within greenhouse gas reducing industries, including zero-emission bus maintenance.

Awarded \$10.8 million in 2020.

Learn more about Stockton

Rising: https://www.stocktonca.gov/government/departments/manager/sustainability/projects.html

ROUND 4 AWARDS

Community Partners

South Los Angeles Eco-Lab

The South Los Angeles Eco-Lab focuses on "Economic Development through Climate Action." Community residents, small businesses, CBOs, and public agencies will work to achieve the community's vision for a socially inclusive, sustainable, green community resilient to climate change. The proposal is rooted in a multi-year planning process, driven by the LA Department of City Planning, SLATE-Z, and other CBOs. With support from a Round 2 TCC Planning grant, these organizations engaged in a participatory planning process that generated the South LA Climate Commons (SLACC) Plan. The plan identified the need for increased resident engagement in land use decisions, expanded access to jobs that pay living and family-sustaining wages, increased affordable housing and parks, and improved air quality and transportation—providing the foundation for the South LA Eco-Lab. South LA Eco-Lab's proposal includes 11 projects, derived from 5 strategies for creating green spaces, energy and water

efficient infrastructure, and expansion of safe active travel and public transit all with the goal of enhancing public health, well-being, and environmental benefits.

The transformative plans are geared towards connecting, informing, and involving residents and small businesses in the proposed projects so that they benefit most from the infrastructure improvements and job opportunities. The proposal includes an ambitious community engagement plan, with partners engaging at least 50% of residents in the project area. SAJE is responsible for displacement avoidance efforts, which include know-your-rights education for residential and commercial tenants, Tenant Action Clinics, eviction defense services, the creation of a Small Business Alliance, and technical assistance for small businesses. The Workforce Development Plan focuses on underserved communities within the South LA Eco-Lab project area; the Coalition for Responsible Community Development (CRCD), Los Angeles Trade Technical College (LATTC), and GRID Alternatives will leverage their existing tools and training programs to prepare participants for careers including, solar installation, construction, tree planting, cool street paving, electric vehicle charging station installations and more.

Awarded \$35,000,000 in 2022.

City of Richmond Richmond Rising

The Richmond Rising proposal is the result of years of stakeholder collaboration, including a TCC planning grant, to address environmental justice concerns in the Iron Triangle, Santa Fe, and Coronado neighborhoods that adjoin the historical heavy industrial zones in Richmond. The proposal aims to empower the city's most marginalized communities through complete streets and affordable active transportation options; renewable energy resilient homes; water absorption and reuse; urban greening and cooling of neighborhoods; and enhanced food security for improved health and wellbeing.

The City, alongside five co-applicants, have collaborated over four years of planning and project work to develop the proposal's objective and vision. This proposal's Community Engagement Plan draws upon direct ties to priority populations, as well as capacity through Richmond Rising Youth Fellows Program (annual paid fellowship for Black and Brown youth). Richmond Rising's Displacement Avoidance Plan includes a robust set of City programs and policies informed by quantitative data which complement the City's existing work in developing, promoting, and passing policies and programs that address residential and business displacement. The proposal also includes workforce development through solar installation basic training, as well as the RichmondWORKS city program which provides career skills training and supportive services.

Awarded \$35,000,000 in 2022.

City of Stockton Stockton Rising

In the Central Valley, Stockton sits at the intersection of pollution and social injustice. Stockton Rising is investing in environmental equity and the community's aspirations for prosperous neighborhoods so that residents can benefit from lower utility bills, breathe cleaner air, and have access to workforce training and green sector jobs. Stockton Rising builds upon a TCC Round 3 Implementation Grant partial award, and incorporates projects from six strategies: transit access and mobility, energy efficiency and solar installation, water efficiency, urban greening and green infrastructure, health and well-being, and

indoor air quality. Transformative Plans ensure implementation remains responsive to community needs, training and quality jobs are directed to Project Area residents, residents and small businesses aren't displaced, and climate change risks are reduced for vulnerable populations and the TCC Project Area.

The applicant's unique position as a past TCC Planning Grantee and current Implementation Grantee (R3 TCC Implementation Grant), paired with ongoing investments in the South Stockton area, indicate that the area is primed for transformative change. The proposal advances current community engagement efforts, enabling residents to become decision-makers, and allows the City to pursue recommendations from their Round 3 "Revised Displacement Avoidance Plan" that is facing budget constraints. The proposal also includes several opportunities for workforce development, from a summer youth program that feeds into pre-apprenticeship trades program to a tree maintenance program, and training for incarcerated and formerly incarcerated individuals.

Awarded \$24,165,510 in 2022.