#### Agenda Item #6

# ACTION

October 27, 2022

Subject:	Transformative Climate Communities Program: Round 4 Planning Grant Recommendations
<b>Reporting Period:</b>	March – October 2022
Staff Lead:	Sophie Young, TCC Program Manager

# **Recommended Action**

Transformative Climate Communities (TCC) Staff recommend the Council award \$2,015,804.58 total in funding from the FY 2021-2022 General Fund for the Round 4 TCC Program to the seven (7) top-scoring proposals for the TCC Planning Grant Program.

# Summary

This Staff Report summarizes California Strategic Growth Council's TCC Planning Grant Program, the Round 4 Application Process, and TCC Staff award recommendations. Attachments include proposal summaries, deliberation notes, and planning area maps for each applicant.

The TCC Round 4 NOFA made \$1.2 million available for four (4) Planning Grant awards for up to \$300,000 each. In Round 4, the TCC Planning Grant Program received 21 applications. Of the 21 applications, TCC Staff recommend that seven (7) applicants receive Planning Grants of up to \$300,000 each. Surplus TCC Round 4 Implementation Grant funds will enable the program to fund additional Planning Grants. Grantees will complete two-year grant terms.

The Strategic Growth Council (SGC) requires awarded applicants to address issues identified during the application review and post-award consultation process, prior to executing grant agreements.

# Background

On September 14, 2016, Governor Brown signed AB 2722 (Burke), which created the Transformative Climate Communities (TCC) Program, administered by the Strategic Growth Council, in partnership with the Department of Conservation (DOC) and other State agencies. The TCC Program furthers the purposes of AB 32 (Nunez, Chapter 488, Statutes of 2006) and AB 2722 (Burke, Chapter 371, Statutes of 2016) by funding projects that reduce greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions through the development and implementation of neighborhood-level transformative climate community plans that include multiple, coordinated GHG emissions reduction projects that provide local economic, environmental, and health benefits to disadvantaged communities. Previous rounds of TCC funding (Rounds 1-3) were provided by the Greenhouse Gas Reduction Fund (GGRF), an account established to receive Cap-and-Trade auction proceeds and direct funding towards GHG reducing projects through the California



Climate Investments (CCI) program. For Rounds 4-6, funding of the TCC program is provided through the General Fund's Climate Budget.

# 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.

In Round 4, Program Staff made efforts to increase access for tribes and disadvantaged unincorporated communities by expanding Project and Planning Area eligibility, providing targeted technical assistance and application workshops for Planning Grant applicants from tribal communities and unincorporated communities, and expanding lead applicant eligibility from federally recognized tribes to all California Native American Tribes.<sup>1</sup> SGC received a total of 21 TCC Planning Grant applications, including six (6) tribal communities and three (3) unincorporated communities.

# **Round 4 Application and Review Process**

The Council adopted the <u>Round 4 TCC Program Guidelines</u> (Guidelines) on February 24, 2022. A Technical Amendment on April 28, 2022, updated the guidelines to expand Lead Applicant eligibility, clarify requirements for tribal applicants, and make other minor clarifications. <u>The</u> <u>Notice of Funding Availability (NOFA)</u>, released on March 8, 2022, set a July 1, 2022, deadline for planning grant applications. In addition, the NOFA announced \$1,200,000 available for four (4) planning grant awards of \$300,000 each. Following the NOFA release, TCC Staff (Program Staff) hosted three virtual Round 4 Guidelines and Application Workshops in March – for general audiences, tribal, and disadvantaged unincorporated and rural communities. Program Staff and the technical assistance providers provided ongoing technical assistance to applicants as needed.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Native American Heritage Commission (NAHC). NAHC Tribal Consultation Policy. <http://nahc.ca.gov/wp-content/uploads/2020/09/Signed-NAHC-Tribal-Consultation-Policy.pdf



SGC received a total of 21 Planning Grant applications in response to the Round 4 solicitation. A complete list of applicants appears in Table 1 and Appendix A: Application Summaries and Planning Area Maps.

All 21 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 shared with the Interagency Review Panel.
- Interagency Review Panel: Program Staff convened a panel to review, evaluate, and provide feedback on Planning Grant applications. In line with the SGC <u>Racial Equity</u> <u>Action Plan</u>, 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. 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 at least three reviewers.
- Review Deliberations: Following the Interagency Panel Review, Program Staff and Interagency Review Panel members gathered for a deliberation to collectively review all applications. Interagency Review Panel members, informed by the deliberations and submitted panel scores, jointly decided on a final score for each application, out of a possible 100 points.

Lead Applicant	Final Score
County of San Diego	95.80
Karuk Tribe	94.90
County of Monterey	94.30
Chicken Ranch Rancheria	94.10
Allensworth Progressive Association	93.97
Native American Environmental Protection Coalition (Hoopa Valley Tribal Reservation)	93.50
Wiyot Tribe	92.40
San Francisco Transit Riders	92.00
East Bay Asian Local Development Corporation (City of Oakland)	91.90
City of San Diego	91.40

Table 1: TCC Round 4 Planning Grant Application Final Scores



Promoting Sustainable Livelihoods Foundation (Potter Valley)	
City of San Jose	
Kern Community College District	87.50
City of San Bernardino	85.10
City of Long Beach	84.10
Viejas Band of Kumeyaay Indians	83.69
City of Parlier	82.60
Energy Coalition (City of Los Angeles)	76.50
City of National City	71.20
Community Corporation of Santa Monica	
Acterra (City of Pittsburg)	

# **Recommended Awards**

Program Staff recommends the Council approve the seven (7) top-scoring applications for funding at each of the requested levels (i.e., up to \$300,000 or below). The original NOFA for TCC Planning Grants allocated \$1,200,000 for four (4) Planning Grants of up to \$300,000 each, but additional funding is available through the Round 4 NOFA for TCC Implementation Grants. If approved by Council, the staff recommendations for Round 4 Implementation Grant awards will generate a \$10,834,490 surplus in grant funding. Among other uses, Program Staff recommend \$815,804.58 of surplus funds go towards funding three (3) additional Round 4 Planning Grants. This surplus funding, combined with \$1,200,000 in previously dedicated grant funding, totals \$2,015,804.58.

Each of the recommended applications proposes strong partnerships with local community groups and presents a clear explanation of how community groups will lead and be involved in the funded planning activities. The recommended applicants also explain how TCC Planning Grant funds will be used to prepare for a future TCC Implementation Grant, or similar funding program. All applicants demonstrate why their project area is an ideal candidate for transformation with the support of TCC dollars.

Below are details of the applicants recommended for award. Appendix A contains additional overall application information, including for those not recommended for award.

# Award Recommendation 1: County of San Diego – Spring Valley S.E.E.D.S. - Sustainable Environments & Engaged Development Strategies

• Recommended Award: \$300,000.00



 Project Description: "The project includes five tasks, six co-applicants, and one subcontractor who will work on planning efforts that include reducing greenhouse gas emissions, improving environmental and public health, and increasing economic resiliency and workforce opportunities for the Spring Valley residents [eastern San Diego County] within the identified census tracts and the areas adjacent. Community engagement is integral to all parts of the planning grant and its associated project tasks."

# Award Recommendation 2: Karuk Tribe – Panámnik, sákriiv nukyâavish! (Orleans, we are making it strong!)

- Recommended Award: \$299,922.69
- Project Description: The planning grant funds "community engagement and plan development for the unincorporated community of Orleans, [an important cultural and ceremonial center for community life located within the ancestral territory of the Karuk Tribe and home to ~600 of ~3,700 Karuk tribal members]. The planning efforts will focus on identifying and prioritizing community needs, and planning for infrastructure investments related to affordable housing, resilient clean energy systems, indoor air quality and filtration, electric vehicle charging, and food security. These priority projects will be included in a plan that will specify clear steps towards implementation."

# Award Recommendation 3: County of Monterey – Climate Prosperity for Pájaro Valley

- Recommended Award: \$299,113.97
- Project Description: "This planning grant funds the formation of a cross-sector climate community coalition and co-designed development plan for Monterey County's unincorporated Pájaro neighborhood [a majority farmworker community], bordering downtown Watsonville. Project focus to be co-designed, likely includes electrification, transportation, affordable housing, food security, green spaces, and environmental health. To support implementation, partners will identify potential resource needs (ex: funding) and conduct planning, permitting assessments."

# Award Recommendation 4: Chicken Ranch Rancheria – Transformative Community Planning for Health and Safety

- Recommended Award: \$217,000.00
- Project Description: "A planning grant to fund community engagement and planning for Chicken Ranch Rancheria of Me-Wuk Indians and City of Jamestown. The planning efforts will focus on creating healthy and safe communities that enjoy equitable access to sustainable public health and development. Planning activities will include research into other potential funding sources to complement future development and connection of Tribal lands and Jamestown to sister communities in Tuolumne County."

# Award Recommendation 5: Allensworth Progressive Association

• Recommended Award: \$299,967.92



• Project Description: "Allensworth Progressive Association will work with partners to develop an agreed-upon location and sequencing plan optimized for climate resilience for several elements of the Tulare County-Approved 2017 Hamlet Plan Update Outline including: a reimagined Civic Center/Plaza, a recreational Trail, township Greenways, New Housing, Trainee Farmer Land (part of the developing BIPOC farmer training initiative), and a Community Solar Farm, as well as key infrastructure such as sewage and arsenic remediation."

#### Award Recommendation 6: Native American Environmental Protection Coalition

- Recommended Award: \$300,000.00
- Project Description: "The co-applicants will lead the Hoopa Valley Indian Reservation through a climate vulnerability and adaptation planning process. Tasks will incorporate tools to encourage community engagement as well as methodologies to set priorities and develop blueprints to implement adaptive measures. The approach is intended to drive community participation and decision-making so that Tribal members 'own the plan' and are vested and active in the outcome, which will improve the likelihood of success."

#### Award Recommendation 7: Wiyot Tribe

- Recommended Award: \$299,800.00
- Project Description: "Planning for mixed use affordable housing development in a walkable, ecologically restored neighborhood, prioritizing Wiyot tribal members, indigenous people, and low-income people, while developing well-paying construction jobs."

# **Next Steps**

Following approval by the Council, Program Staff will enter a Post-award Consultation (PAC) phase with each awardee. During the PAC phase, Program Staff will work with the awardee to refine the submitted application materials to ensure they follow all statutory, administrative, and TCC Program requirements. Awarded applications are subject to modifications based on input from the Council and/or application reviewers. Program Staff will work with awardees during this phase to develop a grant agreement and review grant administration procedures.

Program Staff will provide feedback to applicants that were not recommended for funding in Round 4 TCC Planning Grant funding. Staff will make available the opportunity to discuss the identified areas for improvement during one-on-one sessions with applicants.

# **Council Recommendation**

Transformative Climate Communities (TCC) Staff recommend the Council award \$2,015,804.58 total in funding from the FY 2021-2022 General Fund for the Round 4 TCC Program to the seven (7) top-scoring proposals for the TCC Planning Grant Program.



# Attachments

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# Appendix A1: County of San Diego

Lead Applicant: County of San Diego

**Application Title:** Spring Valley S.E.E.D.S. - Sustainable Environments & Engaged Development Strategies

**Co-Applicants:** 1) Spring Valley Community Alliance, 2) Bikes del Pueblo, 3) San Diego Youth Services, 4) Bancroft Center for Sustainability, 5) San Ysidro Health, 6) Spring Valley Chamber of Commerce

#### Total Funding Requested: \$300,000

**Proposal Summary:** The County of San Diego seeks a planning grant to increase economic resiliency, reduce greenhouse gas emissions, and address public and environmental health in the environmental justice community of Spring Valley, through the following activities:

- Community Land Trust (CLT) Feasibility Study: A study to identify options for a CLT to increase financial equity and stability for residents.
- First- and Last-Mile Audits and Bike Safety Events: As assessment of non-motorized transportation options to help identify opportunities to improve walkability, bike-ability, and transit use.
- Food Systems Programming and Community-Based Kitchen Design: Development of a program and construction design plans for a community-based kitchen and composting facilities that will support increased opportunities for employment of young people from agriculture to food service.
- Federally Qualified Health Center (FQHC): An assessment of the potential to open a FQHC in Spring Valley to increase access to public health resources.
- Business Community Connections: Facilitate coordination between existing and new businesses to further expand economic, workforce, and business opportunities.

**Deliberation Discussion Summary:** The proposal features a suite of distinct activities centered around various TCC priorities, including active transportation, public health, and affordable housing. It builds off previous resident-led initiatives and community-articulated needs while addressing multiple transformative elements.

**Grant Conditions:** TCC Program Staff will work with the awarded applicant on areas for improvement, which include but are not limited to:

- Overall budget and capacity
- Community identification process for projects
- Active transportation planning for topography of planning area; and
- Planning Area map and potential multi-jurisdictional coordination.



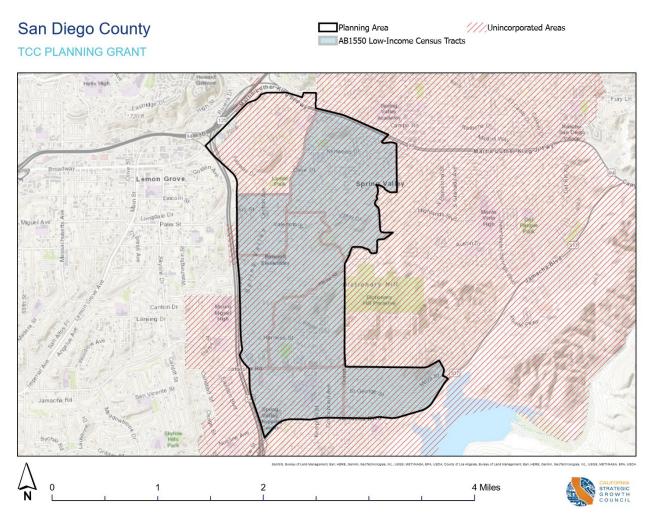


Figure 1: San Diego County application planning area



# Appendix A2: Karuk Tribe

Lead Applicant: Karuk Tribe

Application Title: Panámnik, sákriiv nukyâavish! (Orleans, we are making it strong!)

Co-Applicants: 1) Schatz Energy Research Center, 2) Orleans Community Service District

Total Funding Requested: \$299,922.69

**Proposal Summary:** The proposed activities will build off identified needs by the Karuk Tribe and community members to prioritize actionable infrastructure and community development investments. Initial outreach garnered interest in affordable housing, resilient energy system, indoor air quality filtration, electric vehicle charging infrastructure, increased access to parks, improving fuels and fire management for community protection, and expanding access to nutritious food through the Tishanik community farm. The priorities will be determined through consultation with a variety of stakeholders including ceremonial and cultural leaders, Tribal agencies and organizations, community members, and external partners to prioritize implementation activities through meetings and workshops.

**Deliberation Discussion Summary:** The proposal will address multiple issues that impact the planning area, which is half recognized as tribally owned trust land. The community engagement plans are well articulated, including activities to reach those who have been displaced from the area.

**Grant Conditions:** TCC Program Staff will work with the awarded applicant on areas for improvement, which include but are not limited to:

- Transformative Elements; and
- Additional multi-jurisdictional coordination; and
- Planning consistency with Humboldt County Planning and Building Department .



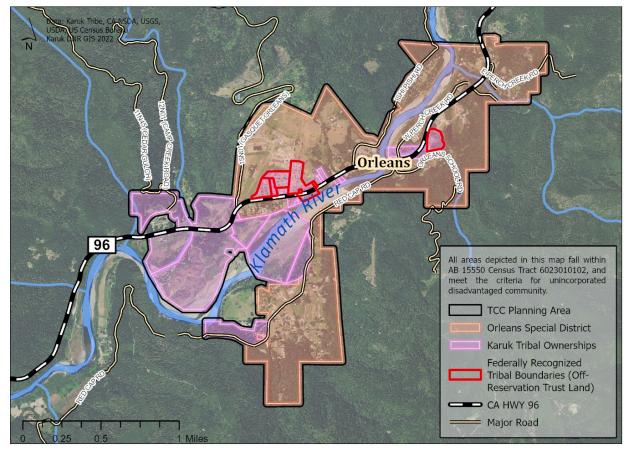


Figure 2: Karuk Tribe application planning area



# Appendix A3: County of Monterey

Lead Applicant: County of Monterey

Application Title: Climate Prosperity for Pájaro Valley

**Co-Applicants:**\_1) Regeneración (Regen); 2) Ecology Action (EA); 3) Association of Monterey Bay Area Governments (AMBAG)

#### Total Funding Requested: \$299,113.97

**Proposal Summary:** The County of Monterey's proposed activities are oriented around two goals: (1) Establishing a cross-sector Community Climate Coalition (CCC) that guides and provides input on climate mitigation, resilience, and revitalization efforts and is centered around engagement with historically low-income, immigrant communities of color; and (2) Identify and co-design 3-5 priority projects that can meet an implementation grant's requirements. Public agencies will collaborate with community organizations and residents to integrate community needs and voices into planning efforts and future co-implementation of projects. Applicants will build capacity for implementation of priority projects, including garnering support and resources. The proposal centers around enabling traditionally excluded residents to set priorities for climate mitigation and building capacity for future climate leadership. Activities include:

**Deliberation Discussion Summary:** The proposal focuses on improving the quality of life for the area with a focus on the immigrant farmworker and linguistically isolated communities, while incorporating workforce development and working with entrepreneurs of color. Well-prepared community engagement plans include funding devoted to residents and additional partners. Proposal prepares the community up well to implement community-led climate resilience projects.

**Grant Conditions:** TCC Program Staff will work with the awarded applicant on areas for improvement, which include but are not limited to:

- Planning Area revisions
- Potential additional multi-jurisdictional coordination; and
- Budget to support lead capacity.



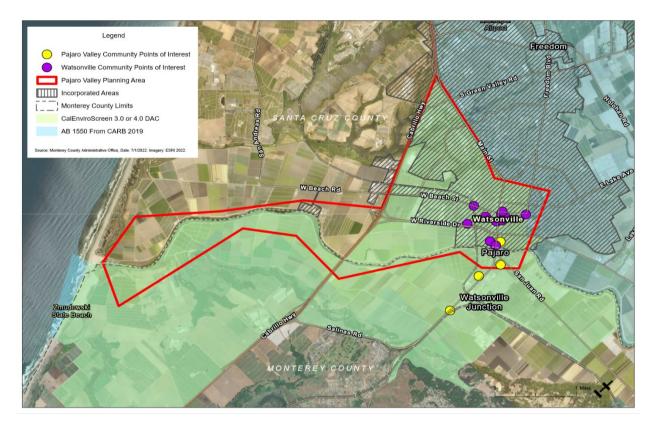


Figure 3: County of Monterey application planning area



# Appendix A4: Chicken Ranch Rancheria

Lead Applicant: Chicken Ranch Rancheria

Application Title: Transformative Community Planning for Health and Safety

**Co-Applicants:** 1) Tuolumne County Transportation Council, 2) Blue Zones Project

Total Funding Requested: \$217,000.00

**Proposal Summary:** Planning activities revolve around creating space for community members to gather and address health, economic, and environmental challenges through seeking out and forging effective partnerships and capacity-building. Planning activities will include outreach workshops and public listening sessions to hear from the community and tribal members its thoughts on challenges facing Chicken Ranch Rancheria and Jamestown. Listening sessions will be conducted with local businesses, agencies, and non-profits to identify improvements that impact public health, the environment and economic vitality. Public participation and input will inform plans related to safety and health needs considering regional plans.

**Deliberation Discussion Summary:** Proposed path meets Transformative Elements of the program and shows a focus on targeting investment where they would be most impactful in meeting community needs while connecting tribal land and the surrounding community. There is a deep emphasis on community and partnerships. A notable focus is on active transportation and connecting the land with regional transportation.

**Grant Conditions:** TCC Program Staff will work with the awarded applicant on areas for improvement.



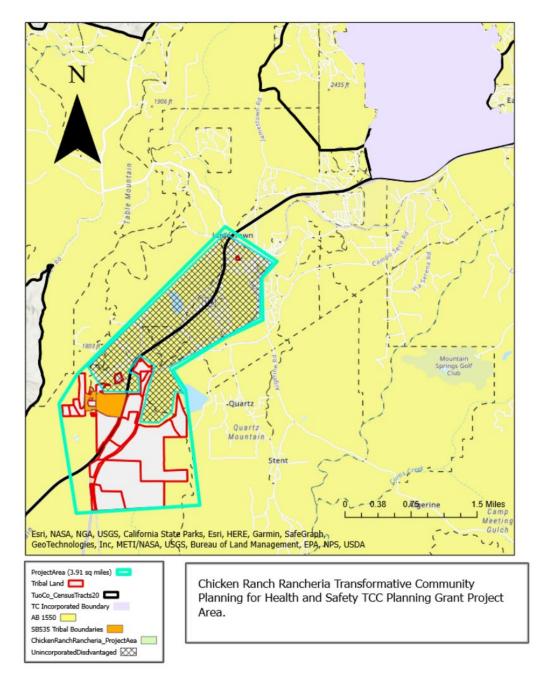


Figure 4: Chicken Ranch Rancheria application planning area



# Appendix A5: Allensworth Progressive Association

Lead Applicant: Allensworth Progressive Association

**Application Title:** The Allensworth Model for Rural Climate Resilience and BIPOC Self-Sufficiency in the Central Valley

**Co-Applicants:** 1) Tulare County; 2) Allensworth Community Development Corporation

# Total Funding Requested: \$299,967.92

**Proposal Summary:** The "Allensworth Model" which will advance the County-approved Allensworth Community Plan, addresses resident-voiced needs, and offers a model for BIPOC rural resilience. Each planning activity examines multiple interconnected projects, in part designed to attract Black families back through economic revitalization. Planning activities include:

- Location and viability analysis for a reimagined civic center and plaza, a recreational trail, township greenways, new housing, trainee farmer land (part of a developing BIPOC farmer training initiative), and a community solar farm.
- Climate resilience assessments addressing long-term heat, drought, flooding, and greenhouse gases.

**Deliberation Discussion Summary:** The area with a lot of cultural and historical significance, and proposed activities are place-based and include pro-bono activities to strengthen capacity. The proposal leverages the area's existing assets and includes planning activities to prepare for future infrastructure impacts while simultaneously addressing immediate needs.

**Grant Conditions:** TCC Program Staff will work with the awarded applicant on areas for improvement, which include but aren't limited to:

• Plans for partnerships.



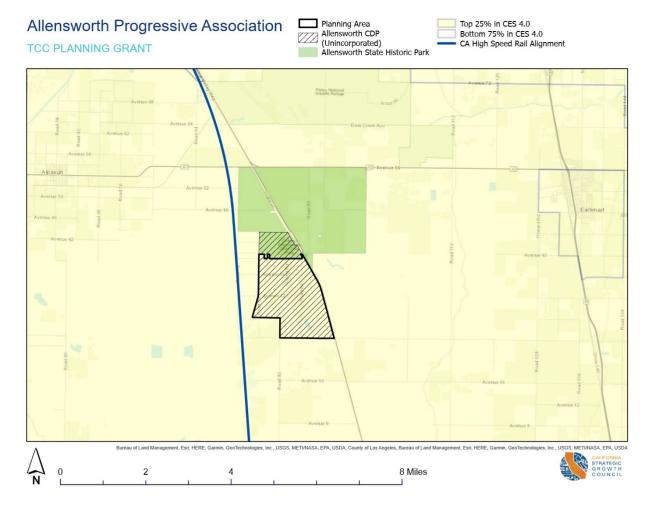


Figure 5: Allensworth Progressive Association application planning area



# Appendix A6: Native American Environmental Protection Coalition - Hoopa Valley Tribe

Lead Applicant: Native American Environmental Protection Coalition

Application Title: Hoopa Indian Reservation Climate Adaptation Planning

**Co-Applicants:** 1) EFCWest, 2) Hoopa Valley Tribe

#### Total Funding Requested: \$300,000.00

**Proposal Summary:** The climate adaptation planning process will incorporate multiple tools to encourage engagement as well as methodologies to set priorities and develop blueprints to implement adaptive measures. The approach is intended to drive community participation and decision-making so that Tribal members "own the plan" and are vested and active in the outcome, which will improve the likelihood of success. Activities will include:

- Identifying/prioritizing assets (assets may be political, environmental, social, technological, economic, and/or legal/regulatory), prioritizing the most vulnerable assets to build a vulnerability assessment.
- Capturing local knowledge using conversation maps, knowledge grids and SWOT analysis.
- Visioning adaptation measures with the community to improve the likelihood of successful outcomes.
- Ranking adaptation measures using community identified criteria (e.g., cost, health impacts, culture, etc.).
- Backcasting ranked adaptation measures to develop blueprints for implementation.

**Deliberation Discussion Summary:** This proposal involves a coalition of 28 tribes and includes focuses such as solar power, rehabilitation existing housing stock, infill development, creation of local jobs in clean energy and natural resources to improve employment rates, all aimed at the goal of reducing displacement and population loss in the area.

**Grant Conditions:** TCC Program Staff will work with the awarded applicant on areas for improvement, which include but aren't limited to:

- Role of consultants and travel costs; and
- Planning Area clarifications for non-contiguous and unincorporated portions.



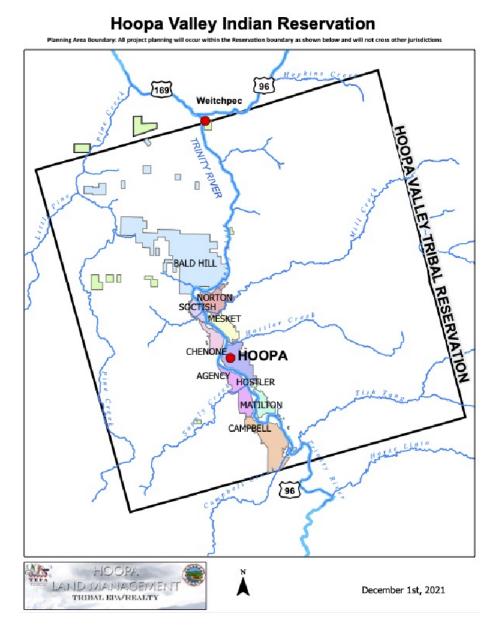


Figure 6: Native American Environmental Protection Coalition application planning area



# Appendix A7: Wiyot Tribe

Lead Applicant: Wiyot Tribe

Application Title: McKinleyville Regenerative and Transformative Community Plan

**Co-Applicants:** 1) Humboldt County Planning Department, 2) McKinleyville Community Services District

# Total Funding Requested: \$299,800.00

**Proposal Summary:** The Wiyot Tribe's McKinleyville Regenerative and Transformative Community Project (MRTC) aims to develop walkable, mixed-use, and transit-oriented affordable housing and green infrastructure projects to alleviate the region's housing burden, improve health and environmental outcomes, and create high-quality jobs, with a focus on serving indigenous, elderly, and low-income residents. Planning activities include:

- Finalize and adopt zoning regulations for the McKinleyville Town Center Area based on community input.
- Develop a Collaborative Stakeholder Structure for future developments, consisting of property owners, local government, community organizations, and trade organizations.
- Identify and prioritize development sites based on community input and feasibility of affordable housing and integrated green infrastructure, transit, and ecological restoration projects.
- Engage priority community members (indigenous, elders, and low-income/housing insecure) in participatory design/visioning sessions and education around community land trusts, limited-equity cooperative housing, and green infrastructure.
- Develop a summary of local workforce development findings and recommendations in consultation with existing trade organizations and apprenticeship programs.

**Deliberation Discussion Summary:** The proposal features a diverse and community-led focus on various priorities like walkable, mixed-use affordable housing, urban greening projects, health and environmental outcomes improvement, and workforce development. The partnerships, leverage of existing plans and community engagement, and prioritization of preserving indigenous and community knowledge with a focus on vulnerable populations in the area, are notable.

**Grant Conditions:** TCC Program Staff will work with the awarded applicant on areas for improvement, which include but aren't limited to:

- Overall challenge of displacement pressures in the area; and
- Community engagement supply costs.



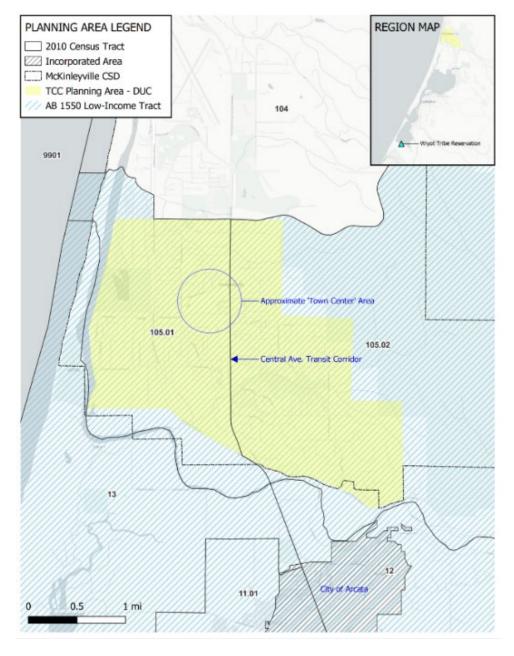


Figure 7: Wiyot Tribe application planning area



# Appendix A8: San Francisco Transit Riders

Lead Applicant: San Francisco Transit Riders

**Application Title:** Reliable Transit Access along the 3rd Street Corridor Centering Community Priorities

**Co-Applicants:** 1) San Francisco Municipal Transportation Agency

#### Total Funding Requested: \$294,500.00

**Proposal Summary:** Following initial community outreach that could include multi-channel, multilingual workshops, popups, townhalls with community organizations, and intercept surveys, SFMTA will conduct technical analysis and develop technical capital proposals designed to address identified community priorities, including low-cost, easy to implement "quick build" proposals that could greatly reduce the wait for benefits. The riders' voice will be crucial to ensure that we center community needs. Extensive engagement will inform all stages of technical proposal development: from initial design to analysis of tradeoffs to the final recommendations.

**Deliberation Discussion Summary:** The proposal is community-centered with a collaborative decision-making structure and includes providing innovative, feasible improvements relatively quickly. Outreach plans include approaching equity-centered partners.

# **Application Threshold Issues & Areas for Improvement:**

- Two edge census tracts of the Planning Area are not eligible per the TCC's criteria and are not AB 1550 communities as shown in applicant's PDF map.
- Broadened planning focus to include more TCC strategies and transformative elements.



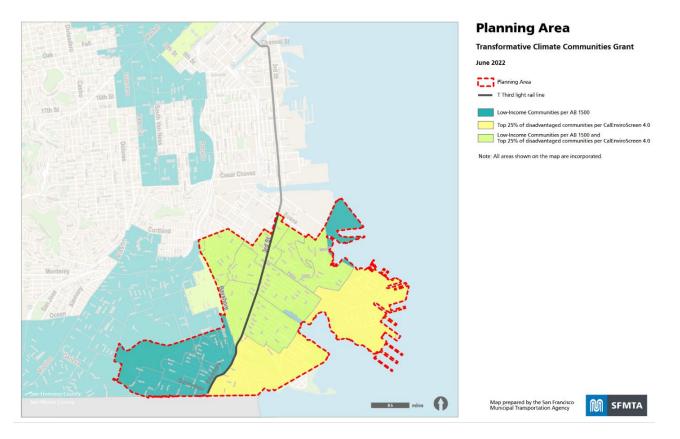


Figure 8: San Francisco Transit Riders application planning area



# Appendix A9: East Bay Asian Local Development Corporation

Lead Applicant: East Bay Asian Local Development Corporation

Application Title: Chinatown for All: Prosperity, Health, Transportation and Climate Resilience

**Co-Applicants:** 1) City of Oakland - Department of Transportation (OakDOT), 2) City of Oakland - Department of Planning and Building, 3) City of Oakland - Department of Public Works, 4) Asian Pacific Environmental Network (APEN), 5) Asian Health Services (AHS), 6) Oakland Chinatown Coalition

# Total Funding Requested: \$300,000.00

**Proposal Summary:** The proposal will coordinate co-applicants, Oakland Chinatown Coalition members and three City of Oakland departments, to plan for successful implementation of these high priority projects:

- Gathering community feedback on the City's Chinatown Complete Streets Plan and developing accessible, multi-lingual impact and progress dashboards.
- Detailed infrastructure and public space planning and resourcing associated with the Lake Merritt Transit-Oriented Development.
- Continuing community design feedback and resourcing for the buildout of the Lincoln Square Park Recreation Center and Resiliency Hub.
- Funding and leverage plan to identify the best public and/or private funding source for each element of a future TCC Implementation Grant.
- Develop an application to the TCC Implementation Grant.

**Deliberation Discussion Summary:** The proposal builds on a legacy of community-based work in the area and enhances ongoing planning efforts with a focus on multi-lingual access while centralizing and streamlining engagement efforts to avoid community fatigue.

# **Application Threshold Issues & Areas for Improvement:**

- No threshold issues.
- Connecting the planning activities to additional transformative elements.



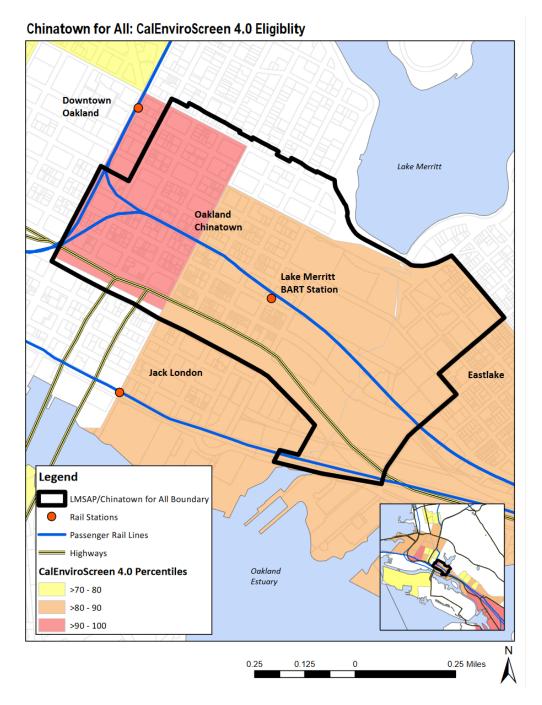


Figure 9: East Bay Asian Local Development Corporation application planning area



# Appendix A10: City of San Diego

Lead Applicant: City of San Diego

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**Application Title:** Southeastern San Diego's Neighborhood Plan: Transforming Chollas Creek for a Healthy and Sustainable Future

**Co-Applicants:** 1) Groundwork San Diego - Chollas Creek (GSD, 2) San Diego Urban Sustainability Coalition (SDUSC), 3) The Urban Collaborative Project (UCP), 4) San Diego Canyonlands (SDCL), 5) San Diego Coast Keepers (SDCK)

# Total Funding Requested: \$300,000.00

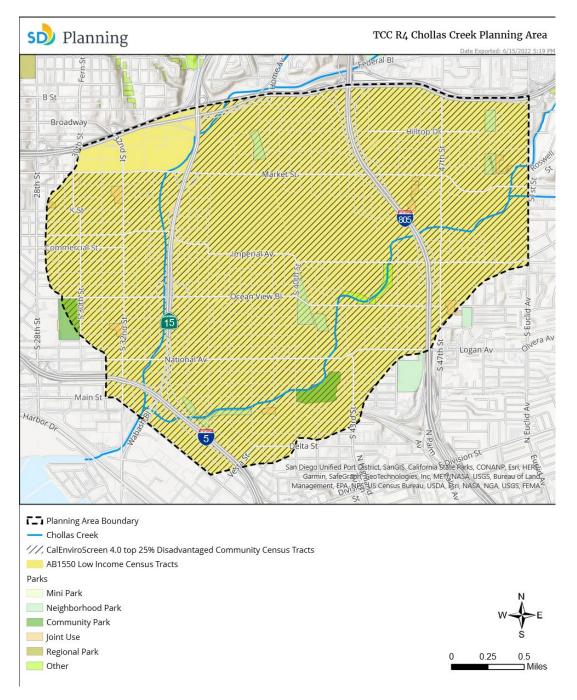
**Proposal Summary:** Planning activities will consist of two iterative cycles of brainstorming and feedback using multiple modes of community engagement ranging from canvassing to working groups. In addition to numerous direct interactions with community stakeholders, an ambassador corps will be built to further share and collect feedback. Interactive apps will be deployed for residents and stakeholders to access plans and provide feedback through all phases of the project. These activities will gather community input and help shape a plan to improve Southeastern San Diego's environmental health, economic opportunity, and long-term resilience.

**Deliberation Discussion Summary:** The proposal's strengths include collaboration with trusted community organizations and detailed community engagement plans, including schools and a tribal community.

# **Application Threshold Issues & Areas for Improvement:**

- No threshold issues.
- Budget's eligible costs and narrative description calculations.





# Figure 10: City of San Diego application planning area



# Appendix A11: Promoting Sustainable Livelihoods Foundation

Lead Applicant: Promoting Sustainable Livelihoods Foundation

Application Title: Transformative Planning for Tribal Communities in Mendocino County

**Co-Applicants:** 1) Mendocino County Resource Conservation District, 2) Potter Valley Tribe of Pomo Indians

#### Total Funding Requested: \$299,720.00

**Proposal Summary:** The proposal is designed to address and overcome some of the challenges of climate change faced by the tribal population located in the Russian River basin by organizing multiple tribal communities in becoming active participants for a needs assessment and defining planning activities in preparation of a TCC Implementation Grant and other funding resources available to Tribal communities. The proposed project activities will be determined by community-driven choices and benefits in the following areas of intervention:

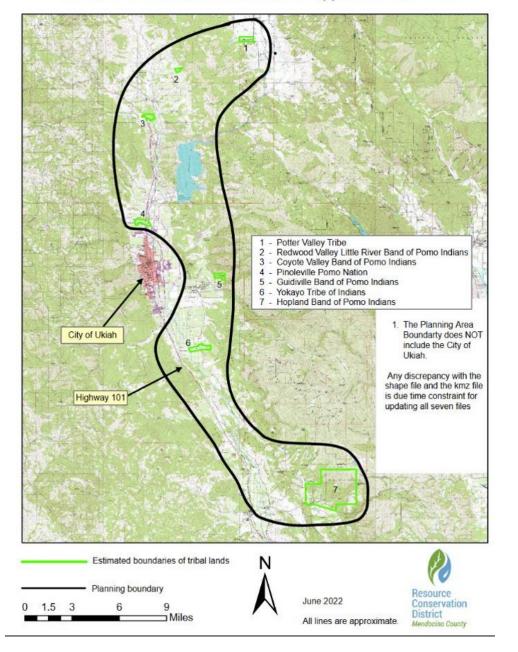
- Energy efficiency and community solar electrification for GHG emissions reduction
- Water efficiency, infrastructure, and rainwater harvesting
- Community food garden and greening; and
- Electric vehicle and charging infrastructure.

**Deliberation Discussion Summary:** The proposal's strengths include its coordination with other efforts in the region and process of bringing multiple tribes together to identify a set of needs and projects based on those needs.

#### **Application Threshold Issues & Areas for Improvement:**

- Multijurisdictional coordination due to the Planning Area's inclusion of several other tribes in the area and unincorporated areas in between.
- The submitted map would benefit from clarification and explanation on how the large boundary was chosen and how the efforts will be integrated (e.g., what additional places were included within the planning area alongside the various tribal communities).





# Seven Native American Tribes in the Upper Russian River

Figure 11: Promoting Sustainable Livelihoods Foundation application planning area



# Appendix A12: City of San Jose

Lead Applicant: City of San Jose

Application Title: Zero Emissions Neighborhoods, ZEN

**Co-Applicants:** 1) LUNA, 2) ICAN, 3) Veggielution

Total Funding Requested: \$300,000.00

**Proposal Summary:** The City will work in collaboration with its community partners, Veggielution, LUNA, and ICAN, to create a community-informed plan. The team will connect with existing planning efforts, such as the City's Urban Village Plans to maximize project outcomes and meet community needs.

The planning activities include defining and designing priority projects, establishing project partners, determining project costs, identifying opportunities to leverage funds, assessing workforce development needs and opportunities, and creating an anti-displacement plan. Planning focus areas include energy efficiency and electrification upgrades, zero waste programs, urban greening (including landscape conversion projects), urban farming, shared mobility services, electric vehicle educational and assistance programs, anti-displacement and affordable housing strategies, co-creation of neighborhood-scale programs with residents and community-based organizations, and workforce development across all focus areas.

**Deliberation Discussion Summary:** The diversity of community partnerships is notable and focus areas align with TCC priorities.

#### **Application Threshold Issues & Areas for Improvement:**

- Planning Area's edge contains three ineligible census tracts that are not covered under the top 25% of CalEnviroScreen 3.0 or 4.0 or AB 1550 Low-Income Community.
- The proposal would benefit from more detail on how communities will shape final decisions and plans.



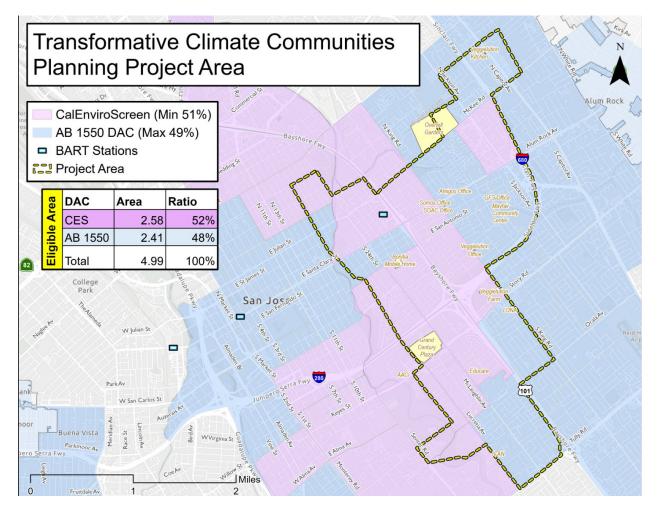


Figure 12: City of San Jose application planning area



# Appendix A13: Kern Community College District

Lead Applicant: Kern Community College District

Application Title: Arvin – Keeping It Green in the San Joaquin (Arvin Green)

**Co-Applicants:** 1) City of Arvin, 2) Dolores Huerta Foundation, 3) Building Healthy Communities – South Kern

## Total Funding Requested: \$300,000.00

**Proposal Summary:** The proposal includes the development of a City of Arvin TCC web page to serve as a central place for city residents and stakeholders to obtain additional information about the project and General Plan-identified needs, project timeline, community engagement meetings, meeting information, archived recordings, calls for input, draft plan(s), and plan feedback.

Community engagement will include a total of six community meetings. Each meeting will include a review of existing community identified priorities, background information on TCC program outcomes, draft climate action and adaptation planning, review and prioritization of proposed projects, and preparation for a TCC implementation grant including partnership development – creation and formalization of a shared governance structure also referred to as a Collaborative Stakeholder Structure.

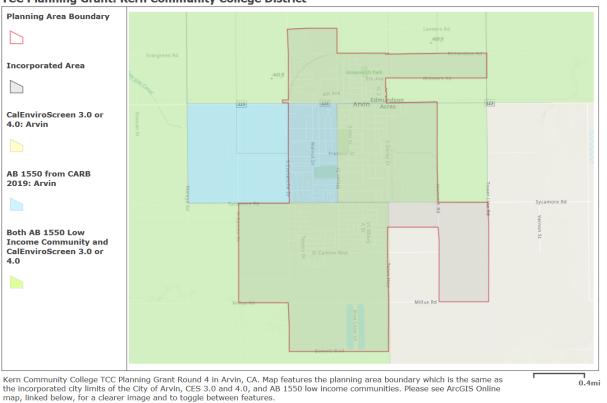
Assigned staff from the Dolores Huerta Foundation (DHF) and Building Healthy Communities (BHC) organizations will support the implementation and refinement of outreach and engagement strategies.

**Deliberation Discussion Summary:** The proposal includes notable community-oriented partnerships and includes a comprehensive community engagement plan.

# Application Threshold Issues & Areas for Improvement:

- Geographic information system (GIS) and PDF maps do not match, and the latter includes an ineligible portion.
- Overall capacity concerns.





#### TCC Planning Grant: Kern Community College District

Numerous county and cities contributed data, BOE provided notices for every new annexation. | OEHHA, CalEPA | Esri, NASA, NGA, USGS, FEMA | California State Parks, Esri, HERE, Garmin, SafeGraph, GeoTechnologies, Inc, METI/NASA, USGS, Bureau of Land Management, EPA, NPS, US Census Bureau, USDA

# Figure 13: Kern CCD application planning area



# Appendix A14: City of San Bernardino

Lead Applicant: City of San Bernardino

Application Title: Heart of Mobility

**Co-Applicants:** 1) Uplift San Bernardino (Making Hope Happen Foundation), 2) Omnitrans

#### Total Funding Requested: \$300,000.00

**Proposal Summary:** The primary planning activities center around conducting community engagement activities and preparing the city to apply for a TCC Implementation Grant. Specific activities will include:

- Engaging with a consultant and Community Benefit Organization for Stakeholder Engagement
- Develop Climate Adaptability, Resiliency, and Sustainability Strategies
- Develop Sustainable Mobility near Affordable Housing Projects
- Engage with local Community Benefit Organizations to develop strategies and projects
- Collaboratively develop Workforce Development and Displacement Avoidance Plans; and
- Engage with consultants to determine project feasibility.

**Deliberation Discussion Summary:** The proposal includes a notable emphasis on planning and outreach activities to Spanish speakers and a strong vision that address Transformative Elements.

#### **Application Threshold Issues & Areas for Improvement:**

- No threshold issues.
- Work plan timeline and community engagement plan details.
- Budget allocation for consultants and partners.



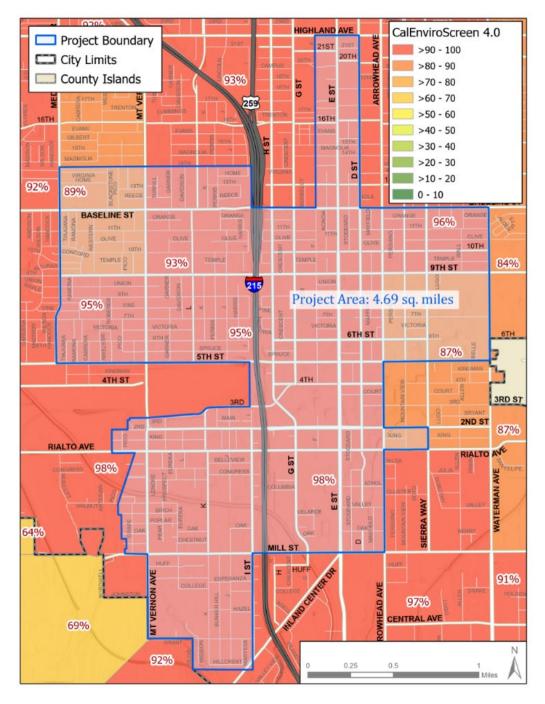


Figure 14: City of San Bernardino application planning area



# Appendix A15: City of Long Beach

Lead Applicant: City of Long Beach

Application Title: Climate-Ready Long Beach: West-Central Climate Collaborative

**Co-Applicants:** 1) City Fabrick

#### Total Funding Requested: \$300,000.00

**Proposal Summary:** Applicant proposes the facilitation of an "inclusive, multi-lingual, and community-led" planning process to develop a ClimateReadyLB climate action plan. Specific activities include:

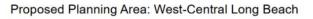
- Stakeholder, spatial, and power analysis with community engagement planning
- Partner engagement and development of community agreements
- Facilitation of a People's Planning School
- Climate action plan drafting and revision; and
- City Council presentation and engagement

**Deliberation Discussion Summary:** Application targets an area with critical need, West Central Long Beach, and is aligned with City climate plans and commitment. Application centers on community engagement to facilitate a People's Planning School. Specific outreach and engagement tactics for reaching the most vulnerable populations within the planning area are not identified.

- No threshold issues.
- Inclusion of community-based organizations in co-applicant and partner lists.



# Figure 1



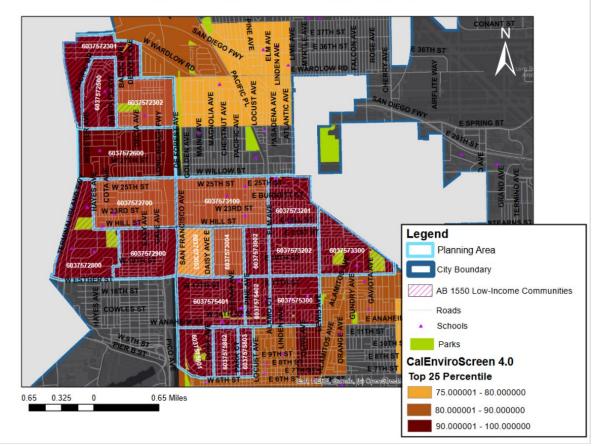


Figure 15: City of Long Beach application planning area



## Appendix A16: Viejas Band of Kumeyaay Indians

Lead Applicant: Viejas Band of Kumeyaay Indians

Application Title: Viejas Transformative Tribal Microgrid (VTTM) Planning

**Co-Applicants:** 1) Indian Energy

#### Total Funding Requested: \$300,000.00

**Proposal Summary:** Application focuses on the development of an implementation plan for a community microgrid. Specific planning activities include:

- Engagement with tribal departments, tribal members, and external stakeholders
- Renewable energy and microgrid educational programming; and
- Microgrid design and technical feasibility research (including development, financing, and operations and maintenance)

**Deliberation Discussion Summary:** Plan focuses on a community impacted by Power Safety Shut-Offs and wildfire. Microgrids are transformative for hard-to-reach, and rural areas. Planning tasks are informed and led by a Transformative Working Committee.

- No threshold issues.
- Broadened planning focus to include more TCC strategies and transformative elements.



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Figure 16: Viejas Band of Kumeyaay Indians application planning area



# Appendix A17: City of Parlier

Lead Applicant: City of Parlier

Application Title: Parlier Transformation

Co-Applicants: 1) Fresno County Rural Transit Agency, 2) Parlier Now

#### Total Funding Requested: \$200,000.00

**Proposal Summary:** This application focuses on the La Colonia neighborhood of the City of Parlier – planning for more mix-used, multi-modal, and multi-faceted development in the immediate neighborhood and greater City. Specific planning activities include:

- Seek out a subcontractor(s) to assist with technical planning
- Prioritize projects with residents and community groups; and
- Assess energy technologies, including solar development, energy storage, vehicle charging.

**Deliberation Discussion Summary:** Application details the partner support in-place to successfully revitalize brownfields. Goal is to increase employment opportunities and improve local environmental health.

#### **Application Threshold Issues & Areas for Improvement:**

• Portions of unincorporated areas are included in the proposed planning area. Such areas are eligible per the TCC mapping tool; however, an MOU is required for these sections to be included in the planning area.



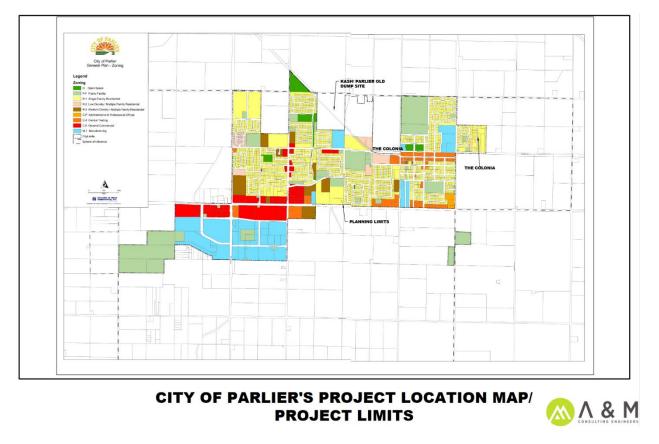


Figure 17: City of Parlier application planning area



# Appendix A18: The Energy Coalition

Lead Applicant: The Energy Coalition

**Application Title:** Equitable Decarbonization Strategies for Affordable Housing in Downtown Los Angeles

**Co-Applicants:** 1) City of Los Angeles Climate Emergency Mobilization Office (CEMO), 2) Coalition for Responsible Community Development (CRCD)

### Total Funding Requested: \$300,000.00

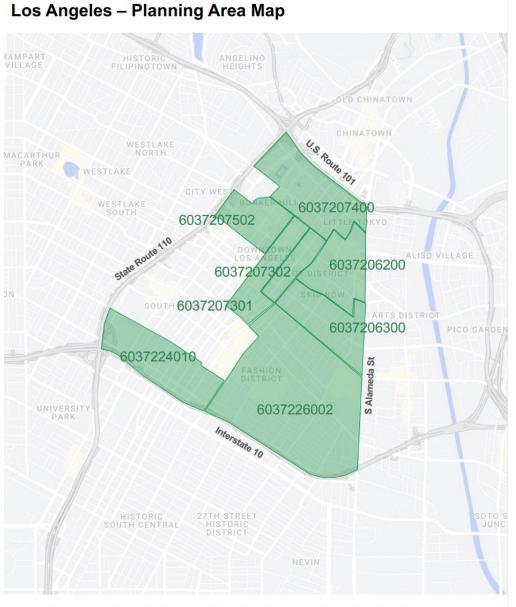
**Proposal Summary:** This application aims to serve Downtown LA neighborhoods with a focus on decarbonization of housing and energy efficiency. Specific planning activities include:

- Analyze decarbonization strategies
- Develop and implement of a community engagement plan; and
- Synthesize project-level data and develop of policy recommendations

**Deliberation Discussion Summary:** Applicants have site permission letters for 36 affordable housing project sites. Planning activities are informed by the City's Climate Emergency Mobilization Office and several technical consultants.

- No threshold issues.
- Broadened planning focus to include more TCC strategies and transformative elements.





All census tracts in the Los Angeles Planning Area (in green) are (incorporated) disadvantaged communities (per CalEnviroScreen 4.0; SB 535) and low-income communities (per AB-1550).

### Figure 18: Energy Coalition application planning area



# Appendix A19: City of National City

Lead Applicant: City of National City

Application Title: A Community's Vision for Transforming National City

**Co-Applicants:** 1) Circulate San Diego, 2) National City Chamber of Commerce, 3) Port of San Diego

#### Total Funding Requested: \$299,892.00

**Proposal Summary:** This planning grant application focuses on building a transparent and comprehensive planning process. Once completed, the proposed plan would allow the city to pursue additional funding opportunities. The proposal seeks to improve access to clean, safe, comfortable, and easy mobility solutions while also advancing a clean energy transformation, mixed-use development, and job training. Specific activities include:

- Develop a Community Engagement and Existing Conditions Analysis;
- Conduct modeling and analyses to inform project prioritization; and,
- Develop an implementation plan for top projects.

**Deliberation Discussion Summary:** Projects are prioritized with a balance of area data and community engagement. Stakeholders are invited to focus group meetings. The City of National City, and its several lead departments, will make final project decisions.

- Proposed planning area is not contiguous and contains sections that are not eligible under the top 25% of CalEnviroScreen 3.0 or 4.0 or AB 1550 Low-Income Community.
- Plan to include area residents in decision-making and co-creation of projects is unclear.



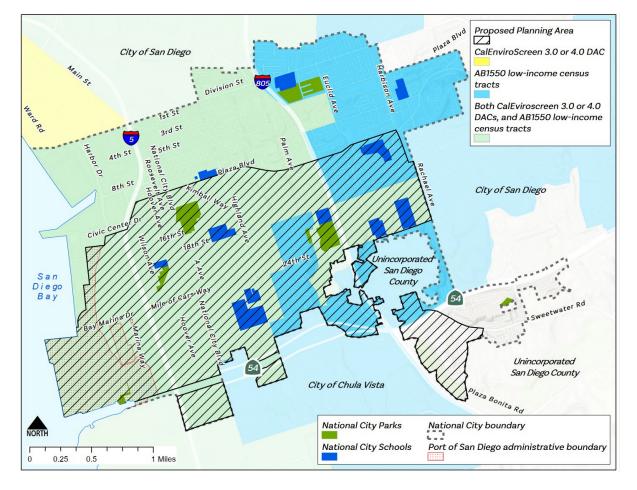


Figure 19: National City application planning area



## Appendix A20: Community Corporation of Santa Monica

Lead Applicant: Community Corporation of Santa Monica

Application Title: Santa Monica Climatetech Innovation Zone

**Co-Applicants:** 1) Climate Action Santa Monica, 2) Sustainable Works, 3) Grid Alternatives, 4) The Energy Coalition, 5) City of Santa Monica

#### Total Funding Requested: \$300,000.00

**Proposal Summary:** The planning application proposes to serve 20 multi-family affordable housing buildings in Santa Monica owned by the Community Corporation of Santa Monica through the development of a decarbonization funding readiness roadmap. The Community Corporation proposal aims establish a pathway to grid-interactive buildings. Specific activities include:

- Develop a funding readiness roadmap focused on: Community Engagement, Displacement Avoidance, Leverage Funding, Data Collection, and Indicator Tracking, Climate Adaptation and Resiliency, and Workforce Development and Economic Opportunities
- Identify and secure leverage funding for a future TCC Implementation grant; and
- Co-create a project vision concept with residents

**Deliberation Discussion Summary:** Application takes a targeted approach, focuses on decarbonization of buildings and appliances in underserved areas.

- No threshold issues.
- It is unclear how the residents and community members informed the decarbonization focus of this proposal.
- Greater detail, along with specific tasks, for proposed community engagement activities.





# Santa Monica Climatetech Innovation Zone

Figure 20: Community Corporation of Santa Monica application planning area



# Appendix A21: Acterra

Lead Applicant: Acterra

Application Title: Pittsburg CAP 2023: Addressing Sustainability and Community Needs

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

#### Total Funding Requested: \$294,765.00

**Proposal Summary:** This planning application builds on the *Pittsburg CAP 2023: Addressing Sustainability and Community Needs* and proposes targeted community engagement in high-pollution neighborhoods. The application aims to foster social and cultural awareness within the planning area, while identifying policies to improve local air quality. Specific activities include:

- An assessment of Pittsburg community needs through community outreach;
- Design of educational and engagement materials; and
- Developing advocacy tools, training, and resources for community members.

**Deliberation Discussion Summary:** The application proposal focuses on a needs assessment. This is surely to be an impactful activity for the community, particularly as the city is in the process of developing its first Climate Action Plan. The proposed activities and description of the project area are a little vague. There is a clear need for a needs assessment, but the details of the assessment and the applicants' current understanding of the project area are lacking.

- Proposed planning activities and narrative justification for choosing the project area.
- Detail of proposed tasks and timeline.
- The northern portion of the Planning Area, including the Browns Islands, is not a part of city jurisdiction, requiring a boundary adjustment excluding this area or provision of an MOU with the appropriate jurisdiction.
- The City of Pittsburgh, added during the 2-day resubmission period as a co-applicant, was not adequately incorporated into the budget work plan.



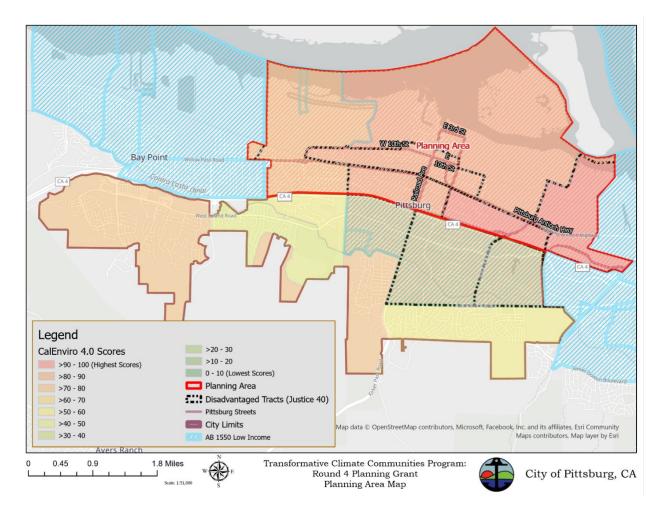


Figure 21: Acterra application planning area

