



# Community Resilience Centers Program

Strengthening community resilience in neighborhoods across California



The Community Resilience Centers (CRC) Program will fund neighborhood-level resilience centers to provide shelter and resources during climate and other emergencies, as well as year-round services and programming that strengthen community connections and ability to withstand disasters. CRC takes a holistic approach to building community resilience by bringing together a comprehensive set of infrastructure upgrades, service delivery, and supportive programming that are developed and implemented in partnership with neighborhood residents.

In the 2021–2022 Climate Resilience budget, SGC was allocated \$100 million to implement the Community Resilience Centers (CRC) Program. Trailer bill language from Senate Bill 155 (2021) specified that \$25 million will be available in the 2022–2023 fiscal year and \$75 million in the 2023–2024 fiscal year. SGC kicked off the program guidelines development process in July 2022 and is committed to robust stakeholder engagement and interagency collaboration in the program design and implementation phases.

## WHAT DOES CRC FUND?

The CRC program funds new construction and upgrades of neighborhood-level resilience centers across the state that will support communities during climate and other disasters, as well as build long-term resilience, preparedness, and recovery operations for local communities. SGC will provide funding that supports the ability of community-serving institutions to serve as comprehensive emergency response centers, as well as for year-round services and programming. The CRC program will provide funding for both planning and implementation grants.

Examples of possible CRC costs include, but are not limited to:

- » Comprehensive retrofits that support the resilience center's ability to provide shelter during emergencies, such as solar installation, energy and water efficiency appliances and upgrades, broadband infrastructure, and water and energy storage systems
- » Upgrades to surrounding area that support accessibility and function of the center, such as community gardens, shade trees, and low-carbon transportation to and from the resilience center
- » Engaging local leadership and grassroots organizations in civic and community development, and climate resilience awareness and activities
- » Local workforce development and job force training programming
- » Distribution of community services and resources such as food, clean water, and personal protective equipment
- » Programming that supports disaster preparedness, such as first responder training for climate emergencies

## WHO IS ELIGIBLE TO APPLY?

CRC applications must involve multistakeholder partnerships and demonstrate involvement of community-based organizations and community residents within governance and decision-making processes.

SGC anticipates that eligible applicants will include, but not necessarily be limited to:

- » California Native American Tribes
- » Community-based organizations
- » Community development financial institutions
- » Faith-based organizations
- » Foundations
- » Joint powers authorities
- » Nonprofits
- » Libraries
- » Local government agencies
- » Schools
- » Small businesses

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