



Strategic Growth Council

Building healthy, thriving, and resilient communities for all



WHO WE ARE

The California Strategic Growth Council (SGC) is a 10-member council comprised of seven state agencies and three public members with the mission to build healthy, thriving, and resilient communities for all. Funded through California's Cap and Trade system and the California General Fund, SGC's grant programs, strategic initiatives, and interagency coordination focus on multi-benefit and community-centric solutions at the nexus of climate and equity. Since 2008, SGC has invested over \$2 billion in projects strengthening communities and addressing climate change.

“SGC’s community-focused approach to testing and scaling transformative solutions helps California tackle some of its greatest climate, housing, and health and equity-related challenges.”

—Lynn von Koch-Liebert, Executive Director,
California Strategic Growth Council

OUR APPROACH

SGC catalyzes government innovation for community transformation by approaching our work in the following ways:



IDEATE: Working in partnership with California's communities, government partner, and others to identify key challenges and develop transformative ideas to solve them



INCUBATE: Pilot new programs and test proof of concepts together with communities and implementing partners across California



SCALE: Export and scale proven models across SGC's whole of government council and beyond

OUR PROGRAMS

SGC's programs invest in both capacity and capital infrastructure, with a focus on improving outcomes in California's most under-resourced and over-burdened communities.

Affordable Housing and Sustainable Communities

Builds healthier communities and protects the environment by increasing the supply of affordable places to live near jobs, stores, transit, and other daily destinations.

Transformative Climate Communities

Supports disadvantaged communities impacted by pollution to choose their own projects, goals, and strategies to improve environmental, economic, and health outcomes in their community.

Sustainable Agricultural Lands Conservation

Safeguards California natural and working lands and reduces greenhouse gas emissions by protecting and conserving land at risk of development.

Climate Change Research

Connects climate researchers to frontline and under-resourced communities to create community-led, actionable research informing more equitable policy solutions.

Community Assistance for Climate Equity

Creates more equitable processes for under-resourced communities to more easily access grant funding opportunities and increase local community capacity and resilience.

Health and Equity Program

Advances cross-sector collaboration on the social determinants of health and equity through the Health in All Policies Task Force and the Capitol Collaborative on Race and Equity.

Community Resilience Centers

Funds new construction and upgrades of neighborhood level resilience centers to provide shelter and resources during emergencies as well as year round programming and services that build community resilience.

OVER
\$2 BILLION
INVESTED

TO BENEFIT
**DISADVANTAGED AND
UNINCORPORATED COMMUNITIES**

WHICH HAVE REDUCED

6.8 million
TONNES OF CO₂E

EQUIVALENT TO
1.4 MILLION 
FEWER CARS ON THE ROAD