



California Financing Coordinating Committee

2021

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*Seeking Funding For Your Infrastructure Project?*



# MISSION STATEMENT

## Infrastructure Financing for the 21st Century

The purpose of CFCC is to foster cooperation among the many funding agencies that administer water, wastewater, and other public infrastructure needs. The CFCC encourages the efficient use of funds by reducing administrative costs for recipients and funding agencies and evaluating methods for improved performance. CFCC members provide a forum to resolve state and federal program requirement conflicts that may make multi-funded projects difficult to administer. Additionally, funding fairs provide the CFCC with an opportunity to present current program information to the public. Attendees will also have the opportunity to speak with program staff directly.



### What is CFCC?

Formed in 1998, CFCC composed of many state, federal, and local agencies. CFCC members facilitate and expedite the completion of various types of infrastructure projects helping customers combine the resources of different agencies. Project information is shared between members in support of identifying additional resources. Each year, CFCC members conduct free funding fairs to educate the public and potential customers about the different member agencies and the financial and technical resources available.

### Who Should Attend

Representatives from water industry professionals, public works, local governments, and California Native American Tribes should attend. This includes city managers and planners, economic development and engineering professionals, officials from privately owned facilities, water and irrigation district managers, financial advisors, and project consultants.

### Eligible Project Types

CFCC agencies fund the following types of eligible infrastructure projects: drinking water, wastewater, water quality, water supply, water conservation, water use efficiency, energy efficiency, and flood management. Some of the participating agencies also fund other types of infrastructure projects including streets and highways, emergency response vehicles, and community facilities.

## CFCC Information

Please visit the CFCC website at [www.cfcc.ca.gov](http://www.cfcc.ca.gov) for the CFCC member directory and general information.



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# California Financing Coordinating Committee

## State Agencies

**California Department of Housing and Community Development**

**California Infrastructure and Economic Bank**

**California Governor's Office of Emergency Services**

**California Department of Forestry and Fire Protection**

**California Department of Resources, Recycling, and Recovery**

**California Strategic Growth Council**

**California Department of Water Resources**

**California State Water Resources Control Board**

# California Department of Housing and Community Development (HCD)



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## Community Development Block Grant (CDBG)



- Housing
- Wastewater
- Water
- Roadways
- Community Facilities
- Public Accessibility

## Program Guidelines

### Community Development Block Grant

#### Type

Grants to city and county jurisdictions.

#### Funding Limits

Funding limits vary by activity as specified in each notice of funding availability (NOFA).



#### CEQA/NEPA

A NEPA environmental impact statement must be completed and submitted with application to meet program threshold requirements.

#### Terms/Dates

The NOFA released on January 29, 2021. Applications may be submitted online. Application submittal start date: January 29, 2021. Application due dates are as follows:

- Community Development Activities: April 30, 2021, by 5 p.m. (PDT)
- Economic Development Activities: May 31, 2021, by 5 p.m. (PDT)

#### Eligibility Requirements

Non-entitled cities or counties that do not receive funding from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development's (HUD's) CDBG entitlement program.

Jurisdictions can pay for their own system, project, or community facilities, or grant or loan funds to private or public entities.

Contact HCD regarding special restrictions for Native American and Colonia funding.

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## **Public Improvements – Water**

### **Purpose**

The project must principally benefit low/moderate income persons/households. For example, make water system upgrades for residents of communities with more than 51 percent of its residents being low/moderate income, or extend water service to a site for a business that creates jobs for low/moderate income persons.

### **Eligible Uses**

Pay for project feasibility study, final plans and specs, site acquisition and construction, and grant administration costs.

Pay for repair or new construction of town's water tank.

Pay for one-time assessment fees for low-income families.

Pay for installation of private laterals and hook-up fees for low-income families under housing rehabilitation activity.

### **Ineligible Uses**

Maintenance costs.

Refinancing of existing debt.

## **Public Improvements – Wastewater**

### **Purpose**

The project must principally benefit low/moderate income persons/households. For example, make upgrades to a sewage collection and treatment system for residents of a community with more than 51 percent of its residents being low/moderate income, or extend wastewater system to a site for a business that creates jobs for low/moderate income persons.

### **Eligible Uses**

Pay for project feasibility study, final plans and specs, site acquisition and construction, and grant administration costs.

Rehabilitate or construct sewer/water lines or sewer lift station.

Pay for one-time assessment fees for low-income families.

Pay for installation of private laterals and hook-up fees for low-income families under housing rehabilitation activity.

### **Ineligible Uses**

Maintenance costs.

Refinancing of existing debt.

## **Public Improvements – Roadways**

### **Purpose**

The project must “principally” benefit low/moderate-income persons/households. For example, install new roads or curbs, gutters, and sidewalk, or new street drainage system for residents of a community with more than 51 percent of residents being low/moderate income.

### **Eligible Uses**

Pay for project feasibility study, final plans and specs, site acquisition and construction, and grant administration costs. Must be rehabilitation or a new road and can include installing streetlights, landscaping, and sidewalks. For example, assist families to install sidewalks in front of their home.

### **Ineligible Uses**

Maintenance costs.

## **Community Facilities**

### **Purpose**

The project must “principally” benefit low/moderate-income persons/households. For example, create a facility for homeless services or a healthcare facility in a community where at least 51 percent of residents are low income.

### **Eligible Uses**

Pay for project feasibility study, final plans and specs, site acquisition and construction, and grant administration costs.

Types of facilities: fire and police stations, homeless and battered family shelters, day care centers for seniors or kids, social service and health care facilities, teen centers.



### **Ineligible Uses**

Refinancing existing debt.

Buildings for general use by local government.

To be eligible, public facilities must provide HUD-eligible public services. Contact CDBG for additional information.

### **Other**

#### **Purpose**

The project must “principally” benefit low/moderate-income persons/households. For example, create or improve a park in a community where at least 51 percent of residents are low/moderate income, or upgrade public access to a facility to comply with requirements of the Americans With Disability Act (ADA).

#### **Eligible Uses**

Pay for project feasibility study, final plans and specs, site acquisition and construction, and grant administration costs.

Installation of ADA improvements in public facilities.

#### **Ineligible Uses**

Maintenance costs.

Refinancing existing debt.

Building of general use by local government.

Inquire regarding special restrictions for Native American and Colonia funding.



# California Infrastructure and Economic Development Bank (IBank)

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*Rendering of IBank bond-financed Powerhouse Science Center*

## Bonds (tax-exempt or taxable)

- Section 501(c)(3) Bonds
- Industrial Development Bonds
- Public Agency Revenue Bonds
- Exempt Facility Bonds

## Types of Bonds

### **Section 501(c)(3) Bonds**

Tax-exempt financing to eligible nonprofit public benefit corporations for the acquisition or improvement of facilities and capital assets. Typical borrowers include cultural, educational, charitable and recreational organizations, research institutes, and other types of nonprofit organizations that provide public benefits.

### ***Industrial Development Bonds***

Tax-exempt financing up to \$10 million for qualified manufacturing and processing companies for the construction or acquisition of land, facilities, and equipment.

### ***Exempt Facility Bonds***

Tax-exempt financing for projects that are government owned or leased to private parties and may consist of improvements within publicly or privately owned facilities. The qualifying projects include private airline improvements at publicly owned airports, docks and wharves, mass commuting facilities, solid waste disposal facilities, high-speed intercity rail facilities, local district heating or cooling facilities, and facilities for the furnishing of water.

### ***Public Agency Revenue Bonds***

Bond financings for various state and local government agencies for various public or economic development projects.

## **Types of Loans**

### ***Loans – Infrastructure State Revolving Loan Fund (ISRF)***

#### **Purpose**

The ISRF Program provides direct loan financing to public agencies and nonprofit corporations sponsored by public agencies, for a wide variety of infrastructure and economic development projects (excluding housing). ISRF financing is available in amounts ranging from \$50,000 to \$25 million with loan terms for the useful life of the project up to a maximum of 30 years.

Eligible ISRF applicants include any subdivision of a local government, including cities, counties, special districts, assessment districts, joint powers authorities, and eligible nonprofit corporations.



*IBank's ISRF Program financed the new Fresno Yosemite International Airport.*



**Eligible ISRF projects include:**

- City streets.
- County highways.
- State highways.
- Drainage, water supply, and flood control.
- Educational, cultural, and social facilities.
- Environmental mitigation measures.
- Goods movement-related infrastructure.
- Parks and recreational facilities.
- Port facilities, public transit.
- Power and communications facilities.
- Sewage collection and treatment.
- Solid waste collection and disposal.
- Water treatment and distribution.
- Defense conversion.
- Public safety facilities.
- Military infrastructure.
- Industrial, utility, and commercial.

***Loans – California Lending for Energy and Environmental Needs (CLEEN) Center***

**Purpose**

The CLEEN Center provides direct loan financing to public agencies including municipalities, universities, schools, and hospitals (MUSH borrowers) to help meet the State’s goals for greenhouse gas reduction, water conservation, and environmental preservation. The CLEEN Center offers two programs: the Statewide



Energy Efficiency Program (SWEEP) and the Light Emitting Diode (LED) Street Lighting Program. Financing can be in amounts from \$500 thousand to \$30 million.

Eligible CLEEN applicants include any subdivision of a local government, including cities, counties, special districts, assessment districts, joint powers authorities and nonprofit corporations (as deemed eligible), municipalities, public universities, schools, and hospitals.

**Eligible CLEEN Projects include:**

- Advanced metering systems to support conversion of master-metered buildings to sub-metering.
- Data center, information technology, communications.
- Energy management or control systems.
- Demand response programs.
- Water/wastewater, pipeline, mining/extraction, and similar end-use processes, facilities, buildings, and infrastructure.
- Lighting and control systems.
- Converting incandescent to CFL.
- LED repairs, replacements, and upgrades.
- Heating, ventilation, and air conditioning systems (HVAC).
- Building envelope.
- Occupant plug load management systems.
- Load reduction.
- Zero-emission vehicles.
- Hydrogen fueling stations.
- Thermal and electric energy storage.

Other projects with proven technologies will be considered.

## Small Business Support

### Purpose

The IBank Small Business Finance Center (SBFC) helps businesses create and retain jobs and encourages investment in low- to moderate-income communities. The SBFC has a Jump Start Loan Program, a Small Business Loan Guarantee Program, a Disaster Relief Loan Guarantee Program and a Farm Loan Program. The SBFC partners with seven Financial Development Corporations throughout the State.



Eligible Small Business Loan Guarantee applicants include eligible nonprofits and small businesses located in California with 1 to 750 employees and eligible nonprofits.

### **SBFC, Disaster Relief Loan Guarantee and COVID-19 Disaster Relief Loan Guarantee terms:**

- Loans up to \$20 million.
- Max guarantee \$1 million.
- Guaranteed up to seven years; term can be longer.
- Guarantees up to 80 to 95 percent of loan.
- Loan interest rates negotiated between lender and borrower.
- Qualifications based on lender criteria.

### **Eligible uses of funds include:**

- Start-up costs.
- Construction.
- Inventory.
- Working capital.
- Export financing.
- Franchise fees.

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- Business expansion.
- Lines of credit.
- Gap financing.
- Agriculture.
- Disaster relief.

### **California Rebuilding Loan Fund**

The California Rebuilding Fund is a loan program to support California's small businesses—especially those located in economically disadvantaged and historically under-banked areas of the state. Businesses who employed 50 or less full-time equivalent employees and had gross revenues of less than \$2.5 million or below in 2019 are eligible to apply.

The loans are flexible, transparent, and are designed to help businesses access the capital and advisory services they need to get through these challenging economic times.

The loans are not forgivable in part or whole. The loans will need to be paid back over a three- or five-year term with a fixed annual interest rate that is currently 4.25 percent.

Not all businesses will be matched with a participating community lender based on each lender's initial criteria. If matched, you will be connected with a local community lender, which will be a certified Community Development Financial Institution (CDFI). The community lender will work with you on your full loan application. If approved, the loan will be made through that community lender and you will continue to work with them throughout the life of your loan.

The following criteria is the minimum required for a business to be considered eligible for a loan under this program:

- The business must have employed 50 or fewer full-time equivalent employees prior to March 2020; please note: any and all affiliates are counted in this total, including businesses with shared ownership.
- The business must have had gross revenues of less than \$2.5 million in 2019.
- The business must have suffered a direct economic hardship as a result of COVID-19 which has materially impacted operations (as evidenced by at least a significant reduction in revenues since January 2020).



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- The business must have returned to or sustained, for at least one-month, at least 30% of pre-COVID revenues relative to a similar period in 2019.
- The business must have demonstrated positive net income in 2019 (not including depreciation and amortization expenses).
- The business must have been in operation since at least June 30, 2019.
- The main office or headquarters for the business must be in California. The loan must be used to support only a business's California operations.

### **Eligible Jump Start Loan applicants include small businesses or individual(s) becoming a small business, located in California.**

#### Jump Start Loan Program details:

- Borrowers must be a low-wealth entrepreneur with a business located in a declared disaster area, or
- Borrowers must be a low-wealth entrepreneur located in a low-wealth community within both:
  - A county with a per capita income equal to or less than 115 percent of the statewide average.
  - A city or unincorporated area with an unemployment rate equal to or greater than the statewide average.
- Borrowers annual income must be equal to or less than the statewide average.
- Loan proceeds must be used in California.

#### Eligible uses of Jump Start Loan funds include:

- Start-up costs.
- Property.
- Buildings.
- Machinery.
- Equipment.
- Inventory.
- Tenant Improvements.

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The Hazard Mitigation Assistance (HMA) Branch works to reduce vulnerability to disasters and their effects and promote community resiliency after a hazard event. Furthermore, HMA programs reduce response and recovery resource requirements in the wake of a disaster or incident, which results in a safer community that is less reliant on external financial assistance.

### **Visit Us**

Cal OES website: <https://www.caloes.ca.gov/home>

Hazard Mitigation Grant Program (HMGP) website:  
<https://www.caloes.ca.gov/cal-oes-divisions/recovery/disaster-mitigation-technical-support/404-hazard-mitigation-grant-program>

Pre-Disaster Mitigation & Flood Mitigation Assistance Program website:  
<https://www.caloes.ca.gov/cal-oes-divisions/hazard-mitigation/pre-disaster-flood-mitigation>



## HMA Eligibility Requirements

Eligible applicants include:

- Local and State governments.
- Federally recognized Tribes.
- Private nonprofit (PNP) organizations providing essential government services.
- Special districts.

Hazard Mitigation Assistance Criteria:

- Programs HMGP, Building Resilient Infrastructure and Communities (BRIC) and Flood Mitigation Assistance (FMA).
- Must have a Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA)-approved Local Hazard Mitigation Plan (LHMP); plans are valid for five years.
- PNPs are exempt from the LHMP requirement.
- 25 percent non-federal cost share (match) required.
- 36-month grant performance period.
- Must obtain environmental clearances (CEQA and NEPA).
- Projects must demonstrate cost-effectiveness.
- Projects must be a stand-alone solution to mitigate risk to life or property from a natural hazard.

## How to Apply for HMA Funding at Cal OES

Visit the Cal OES [HMGP website](#) for funding opportunities resulting from presidentially declared major disasters.

Visit the Cal OES [pre-disaster mitigation \(PDM\)/FMA website](#) for information about the annual hazard mitigation funding opportunities.

For more detailed information on eligibility criteria, visit the [FEMA Hazard Mitigation Assistance Guidance website](#).

## **Funding Programs**

### ***Hazard Mitigation Grant Program (HMGP)***

#### **Purpose**

HMGP funds development of local hazard mitigation plans and hazard mitigation measures to reduce the long-term risk of loss of life and property from future natural hazards and disasters.

Types of projects include:

- Hazard mitigation planning.
- Hazardous fuels reduction.
- Ignition resistant construction.
- Defensible space.
- Post-disaster code enforcement.
- Soil stabilization.
- Erosion control.
- Localized and non-localized flood risk reduction.
- Structure elevation.
- Critical facility generators.
- Dry flood proofing.
- Mitigation reconstruction.
- Structural and non-structural retrofitting of existing buildings.
- Property acquisition.

#### **Funding Availability**

HMGP funding is available following a presidential major disaster declaration. The amount of HMGP funding available to the applicant is based on the estimated total federal assistance that FEMA provides for disaster recovery under presidential major disaster declarations.

#### **Terms/Dates**

The application process begins approximately one month after the date of the major disaster declaration. Selected projects have a 36-month period of performance (POP).

## ***Building Resilient Infrastructure and Communities (BRICs)***

### **Purpose**

BRIC implements a sustained pre-disaster natural hazard mitigation program to reduce overall risk to the population and structures from future hazard events, while also reducing reliance on federal funding in future disasters. Eligible subapplicants with projects that mitigate risk to public infrastructure, include innovative partnerships, mitigate risk to one or more lifelines, incorporate nature-based solutions, or incentivize adoption and enforcement of modern building codes are especially encouraged to apply.

Types of projects include:

- Hazard mitigation planning.
- Hazardous fuels reduction.
- Ignition resistant construction.
- Defensible space.
- Post-disaster code enforcement.
- Soil stabilization.
- Erosion control.
- Localized and non-localized flood risk reduction.
- Structure elevation.
- Critical facility generators.
- Dry flood proofing.
- Mitigation reconstruction.
- Structural and non-structural retrofitting of existing buildings.
- Property acquisition.

### **Funding Availability**

BRIC provides funding on an annual basis.

### **Terms/Dates**

The funding cycle for PDM begins with FEMA's release of the notice of funding opportunity (NOFO), typically mid-to-late summer, and subapplications are due to Cal OES in November. Please note that the application due date provided in the NOFO is for the State (Cal OES) to submit the overall funding request to FEMA. Selected projects have a 36-month POP, with potential for longer periods, if justified.

## ***Flood Mitigation Assistance Program (FMA)***

### ***Purpose***

FMA provides funding to reduce or eliminate the risk of flood damage to buildings insured under the National Flood Insurance Program.

Types of projects include:

- Mitigate severe repetitive loss and repetitive loss properties.
- Acquisition and demolition or relocation.
- Structure elevation.
- Localized flood control.
- Infrastructure protective measures.
- Floodwater storage and diversion.
- Stormwater management.
- Utility protective measures.

### **Funding Availability**

FMA provides funding on an annual basis.

### **Terms/Dates**

The funding cycle for PDM begins with FEMA's release of the NOFO, typically mid-to-late summer, and subapplications are due to OES in November. Selected projects have a 36-month POP.





# California Department of Forestry and Fire Prevention (CAL FIRE) Grant Program

The California Department of Forestry and Fire Prevention (CAL FIRE) offers several grant opportunities, each with its own scope and funding priorities.



For detailed information on eligibility criteria, visit the CAL FIRE Grant Program website at <https://www.fire.ca.gov/grants/>. Assistance guidance is available.

## Fire Prevention

Through the California Climate Investments (CCI) Fire Prevention Grant Program, CAL FIRE provides funding for local projects and activities that address the risk of wildfire and reduce wildfire potential to forested and forest adjacent communities. Funded activities include hazardous fuel reduction, fire prevention planning, and fire prevention education with an emphasis on improving public health and safety while reducing greenhouse gas emissions.

For more information on this program, email an inquiry to [FPGrants@fire.ca.gov](mailto:FPGrants@fire.ca.gov).

## Forest Health

Through the CCI Forest Health Grant Program, CAL FIRE funds projects that proactively restore forest health to reduce greenhouse gases, protect upper watersheds where the state's water supply originates, promote the long-term storage of carbon in forest trees and soils, minimize the loss of forest carbon from large, intense wildfires, and further the goals of the California Global Warming Solutions Act of 2006 (Assembly Bill 32).

The emphasis of the Forest Health Program is to increase the carbon stored in living trees and protect forests, fish and wildlife habitats, native plant species, and water. This effort requires preventing epidemic tree mortality, protecting water quality in upper watersheds, and creating forests consisting of optimally spaced trees that are resilient to disturbances such as wildfire and tree mortality. Forests with these attributes will be able to store carbon for long time periods with a lower risk of loss to wildfire or insects and disease.

For more information about this program, email an inquiry to [ForestHealth@fire.ca.gov](mailto:ForestHealth@fire.ca.gov).

## **Urban and Community Forestry**

Through the Urban & Community Forestry Grant Program, CAL FIRE utilizes CCI funds to optimize the benefits of trees and related vegetation through multiple-objective projects as specified in the California Urban Forestry Act of 1978 (Public Resources Code 4799.06-4799.12). These projects further the goals of the California Global Warming Solutions Act of 2006 (Assembly Bill 32), result in a significant greenhouse gas benefit, and provide environmental services and cost-effective solutions to the needs of urban communities and local agencies. Co-benefits of the projects include increased water supply, clean air and water, reduced energy use, flood and storm water management, recreation, urban revitalization, improved public health, improved urban forest management, and producing useful products such as bio-fuel, clean energy, and high-quality wood.

For further information about this program, email [john.melvin@fire.ca.gov](mailto:john.melvin@fire.ca.gov).



# California Department of Resources, Recycling, and Recovery (CalRecycle)

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The California Department of Resources Recycling and Recovery (CalRecycle) offers funding opportunities authorized by legislation to assist public and private entities in the safe and effective management of the waste stream.

## Visit Us

CalRecycle website: <https://www.calrecycle.ca.gov/>  
CalRecycle funding programs: <https://www.calrecycle.ca.gov/funding>

CalRecycle on Social Media



## How to Apply for Funding at CalRecycle

Visit <https://www.calrecycle.ca.gov/Funding/> to learn more about loan programs, open grant solicitations, public comment opportunities, program contacts, and application timing.

## Funding Programs

### CalRecycle Loan Programs

#### ***Recycling Market Development Revolving Loan Program***

##### **Purpose**

CalRecycle administers a Recycling Market Development Zone (RMDZ) Loan Program to encourage California-based recycling businesses located within California financing businesses that prevent, reduce, or recycle recovered waste materials through value-added processing or manufacturing. Facilities must be located within a CalRecycle-designated RMDZ and use postconsumer or secondary recovered waste feedstock generated in California.

- Available Funds: \$6,250,000 as of March 2, 2020.
- Interest Rate: 4.0 percent.
- For updates, email an inquiry to [Loans@Calrecycle.ca.gov](mailto:Loans@Calrecycle.ca.gov).

##### **Eligible Applicants**

All projects must be located in a CalRecycle-designated RMDZ, which can be determined by entering the project physical address into the [RMDZ Zone Search, Map, and Profiles](#) website. In the case of mobile operations, the primary business location for the project must be located within the RMDZ.

Eligible applicants include:

- Private, for-profit entities.
- Nonprofit organizations (except private schools).
- Local government entities:
  - Cities, counties, and cities and counties combined.
  - Regional or local sanitation agencies, waste agencies, and joint powers authority.



## **Funding**

For more information about the RMDZ Loan Program, including eligible/ineligible project types, download the [RMDZ Eligibility Criteria](#).

Eligibility criteria includes:

- \$2,000,000 or 75 percent of total project cost, whichever is less.
- A borrower and its related entities may receive more than one RMDZ loan but may not have more than \$3,000,000 principal outstanding on all RMDZ loans.
- Term is up to 10 years when secured by business assets or up to 15 years when secured by real estate.
- Matching funds of at least 25 percent of the total project are required.
- Collateral is required.

## **Application**

To view the application materials, visit the program's [Forms and Documents webpage](#). Before applying for a loan contact CalRecycle (see the "Questions" section below).

## **Questions**

To learn more about the RMDZ program or apply for a loan, complete and submit [the contact form](#) or contact your local zone administrator, or CalRecycle's zone liaison for that area.

General information can also be obtained by calling (916) 341-6199 or emailing [LAMD@CalRecycle.ca.gov](mailto:LAMD@CalRecycle.ca.gov)

For answers to loan program-specific questions, email an inquiry to [Loans@CalRecycle.ca.gov](mailto:Loans@CalRecycle.ca.gov).

## ***Greenhouse Gas Reduction (GHG) Loan Program***

### **Purpose**

The GHG Reduction Loan Program provides funds to support new or expanded organics infrastructure, such as composting and anaerobic digestion facilities, as well as for facilities that manufacture fiber, plastic, or glass waste materials into beneficial products. The purpose of this investment is to further the purposes of the California Global Warming Solutions Act (Assembly Bill 32), reduce methane

emissions from landfills and further GHG reductions in upstream resource management and manufacturing processes; benefit disadvantaged communities (DACs) by upgrading existing facilities and, where warranted, establishing new facilities that reduce GHG emissions; result in air and water quality improvements; and create jobs.

- Available Funds: \$2,500,000 as of March 2, 2020.
- Interest Rate: 4.0 percent.
- For updates, email an inquiry to [Loans@CalRecycle.ca.gov](mailto:Loans@CalRecycle.ca.gov).

### **Funding**

- \$2,000,000 or 75 percent of total project cost, whichever is less.
- A borrower and its related entities may receive more than one GHG loan but may not have more than \$3,000,000 principal outstanding on all GHG loans.
- Term is up to 10 years when secured by business assets or up to 15 years when secured by real estate.
- Matching funds of at least 25 percent of the total project are required.
- Collateral is required.

### **Application**

To view the application materials, visit the program's [Forms and Documents webpage](#). Before applying for a loan, contact CalRecycle (see the "Questions" section below).

### **Questions**

For answers to program-specific questions, complete and submit [the contact form](#) or send an email to [Loans@CalRecycle.ca.gov](mailto:Loans@CalRecycle.ca.gov).

### **Greenhouse Gas Reduction Grant Programs**

CalRecycle established the Greenhouse Gas Reduction Grant Programs (listed below with web links) to provide financial incentives for capital investments in infrastructure for aerobic composting, anaerobic digestion, and recycling and manufacturing facilities that will reduce greenhouse gas emissions. A priority is to realize environmental and economic benefits in disadvantaged and low-income communities. These grants promote California infrastructure developments that

achieve greenhouse gas emission reductions by diverting more materials from landfills and producing beneficial products such as soil amendments, renewable fuels or recycled-content products.

#### Greenhouse Gas Reduction Grant Programs

- [Food Waste Prevention and Rescue Grant Program](#)
- [Organics Grant Program](#)
- [Recycled Fiber, Plastic, and Glass Grant Program](#)
- [Greenhouse Gas Reduction Loan Program](#)
- [Pilot Reuse Grant Program \(new\)](#)
- [Community Composting Grant Program \(new\)](#)

#### **Listserv**

Join the [Greenhouse Gas Reduction Programs Listserv](#) to be notified by email about program updates and when funding becomes available.



# California Strategic Growth Council (SGC)

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The California Strategic Growth Council (SGC) works collaboratively with public agencies, communities, and stakeholders to achieve sustainability, equity, economic prosperity, and quality of life for all. SGC administers a suite of grant programs funded through California Climate Investments — a statewide initiative that puts billions of cap-and-trade dollars to work reducing greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions while providing a variety of other benefits. SGC’s programs fund affordable housing and transportation investments, agricultural land easements, community-led development and infrastructure projects, climate-related research investments, and technical assistance to increase capacity of local communities to compete for climate funding.

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## **SGC Funding Sources**

### **CCI Grant Programs**

#### ***Affordable Housing and Sustainable Communities Program***

This program builds healthier communities and protects the environment by increasing the supply of affordable places to live near jobs, stores, transit, and other daily needs.

#### ***Transformative Climate Communities Program***

This program empowers the communities most impacted by pollution to choose their own goals, strategies, and projects to reduce GHG emissions and local air pollution.

#### ***Sustainable Agricultural Lands Conservation Program***

This program protects agricultural lands on the outskirts of cities and near residential neighborhoods from development.

#### ***Climate Change Research Program***

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#### ***Capacity Building and Technical Assistance Programs***

These programs help create a more equitable playing field by increasing capacity in under-resourced communities to advance climate change mitigation, adaptation, and resilience.



## **SGC Eligibility Requirements**

Inquire with one of the program contacts directly to determine applicant eligibility requirements. The following entities are eligible for one or more SGC funding program.

- Public agencies (including city, county, transit agency, school district).
- Nonprofit organizations.
- Joint powers authorities.
- Housing developers.
- Land trusts.
- Universities within California (private and public).
- Federally recognized Tribes.
- California State Indian Tribes listed on the Native American Heritage Commission's California Tribal Consultation List.

## **Funding Programs**

### ***Affordable Housing and Sustainable Communities (AHSC)***

#### **Purpose**

Increasing the supply of affordable homes and transportation options near jobs, stores, schools, and other daily needs. AHSC reduces emissions from personal vehicle use by funding projects that make it easier for residents to get out of their cars and walk, bike, or take public transit. Funded by auction proceeds from California's cap-and-trade emissions-reduction program, AHSC is administered by the Strategic Growth Council and implemented by the California Department of Housing and Community Development.

#### **Eligible Applicants**

Usual applicants include housing developers, local jurisdictions, and transit agencies. See program guidelines for the full list of applicant types.

## **Eligible Projects**

Projects typically include a combination of the following costs, with a requirement that at least 50 percent go to housing-related expenses:

- **Affordable Housing Development:** Loan funding for construction of affordable housing.
- **Housing-Related Infrastructure:** Grant funding for infrastructure required as a condition of approval for the affordable housing development (e.g. sewer, water, streets, electric).
- **Sustainable Transportation Infrastructure:** Grant funding for infrastructure that enables mode-shift (e.g., new transit vehicles, sidewalks, bike lanes).
- **Transportation-Related Amenities:** Grant funding for improvements that are publicly accessible and provide supportive amenities to pedestrians, cyclists and transit riders (i.e., bike parking, bus shelter, benches, street trees).
- **Programs:** Grant funding for programs that encourage residents to walk, bike, and use public transit.

## **Funding Availability**

Varies round to round, depending on cap-and-trade auction proceeds. For the most recent round, \$550 million was available for AHSC projects.

## **Terms/Dates**

Continuously appropriated through cap-and-trade, with funding until 2030. Annually, a notice of funding availability is released in November. Applications are due in February, and awards are made in June.

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## ***Transformative Climate Communities (TCC)***

### **Purpose**

TCC empowers the communities most impacted by pollution to choose their own goals, strategies, and projects to enact transformational change. TCC projects catalyze collective impact through a combination of community-driven climate projects in a single neighborhood. Projects must reduce GHG emissions significantly over time, leverage additional funding sources, and provide additional health, environmental, and economic benefits.

### **Eligible Applicants**

A diverse range of community, business, and local government stakeholders must form a collaborative stakeholder structure to develop a shared vision of transformation for their community. This may include community-based organizations, local governments, nonprofit organizations, philanthropic organizations and foundations, faith-based organizations, coalitions or associations of nonprofits, community development finance institutions, community development corporations, joint powers authorities, and Tribal governments.

### **Eligible Projects**

Project examples include:

- Affordable and sustainable housing developments.
- Transit stations and facilities.
- Bicycle and car share programs.
- Residential weatherization and solar projects.
- Water-energy efficiency installations.
- Urban greening projects.
- Bicycle and pedestrian facilities.
- Low-carbon transit vehicles and clean vehicle rebates.
- Health and well-being projects.

### **Funding Availability**

Annually appropriated by the legislature, historically from the GHG Reduction Fund.

## Terms/Dates

Schedule for applications and awards are dependent on the annual appropriation.

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## ***Sustainable Agricultural Lands Conservation (SALC)***

### Purpose

The protect agricultural lands that are at risk of conversion to other uses. Studies show that farmland produces 70 times less GHG emissions than urbanized land, and protecting farmland provides an opportunity to capture carbon in the land base. SALC grants simultaneously support California’s need for agricultural conservation, economic growth, and sustainable development. Both planning grants and implementation grants are available through the program.

### Eligible Applicants

#### Planning Grants

- Cities.
- Counties.
- Resource conservation districts.
- Special districts.
- Local agency formation commissions.

#### Agricultural Conservation Easement Grants

- Cities.
- Counties.
- Resource conservation districts.
- Nonprofit organizations.
- Regional park or open-space Districts or authorities.

### Eligible Projects

Planning grants support the development of local and regional land use policies and economic development strategies to protect critical agricultural land. The program funds strategies related to establishing and implementing goals, policies, and objectives to support the economic viability of the local agricultural sector. It also supports planning processes to identify and designate priority lands for conservation and development.

Agricultural Conservation Easement grants are used to permanently protect croplands and rangelands that are at-risk of conversion to sprawl development. Agricultural conservation easements are deed restrictions that landowners voluntarily place on their property to preserve the land's agricultural uses.

### **Funding Availability**

Varies round to round, depending on cap-and-trade auction proceeds.

### **Terms/Dates**

Continuously appropriated through cap-and-trade, with funding until 2030.

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### ***Climate Change Research (CCR)***

#### **Purpose**

To invest in actionable, partnership-based research to inform climate actions that directly benefit California communities for all. CCR makes grants to research projects focused on advancing tangible outcomes and filling critical research gaps to address the State's climate change goals — including both reducing GHGs and building resilience to the impacts of climate change. CCR requires funded research projects to incorporate meaningful engagement with communities and stakeholders in order to successfully translate research into action.

#### **Eligible Applicants**

- University of California.
- California State University.
- Federally funded national laboratories (in California).
- Private colleges and universities
- Nonprofit research institutions.

## **Eligible Projects**

CCR funds research projects that provide information, tools, and resources to support climate action in vulnerable communities and ecosystems in cross-cutting and holistic ways. This novel research approach often involves projects that aim to reduce greenhouse gas emissions while also addressing community needs and improving ecosystem and economic outcomes around California. Successful CCR-funded projects fill knowledge gaps that inform effective and equitable interventions that both advance the implementation of California's climate policies and result in real benefits to disadvantaged and climate-vulnerable California communities.

## **Funding Availability**

Annually appropriated by the legislature, historically from the Greenhouse Gas Reduction Fund.

## **Terms/Dates**

Schedule for applications and awards are dependent on the annual appropriation.

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The California Department of Water Resources (DWR) financial assistance programs support integrated water management activities that address public safety, environmental stewardship, water supply reliability, and economic stability. Funded projects include ecosystem restoration, groundwater sustainability, stormwater capture and reuse, flood risk reduction, water supply and quality management, water recycling, water conservation, coastal, alluvial, decision support tools, and operational efficiency.

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## DWR Funding Sources

### General Obligation Bonds

Proposition 1 – The Water Quality, Supply, and Infrastructure Improvement Act of 2014.

Proposition 50 – The Water Security, Clean Drinking Water, Coastal and Beach Protection Act of 2002

Proposition 84 – Safe Drinking Water, Water Quality and Supply, Flood Control, River and Coastal Protection Bond Act of 2006.

Proposition 68 – California Drought, Water, Parks, Climate, Coastal Protection, and Outdoor Access for All Act of 2018.

General Fund – Budget enacted State fund.

## DWR Eligibility Requirements

Contact the programs to determine applicant eligibility requirements. For most programs, the following applicants are eligible:

- Groundwater sustainability agencies (GSAs), member agencies of a GSA, and those entities with an approved alternative to a groundwater sustainability plan.
- Public agencies (e.g., city, county, water/drainage district).
- Disadvantaged communities (DACs)/underrepresented communities.
- Nonprofit organizations.
- Joint powers authorities.
- Public utilities.
- Federally recognized Indian Tribes.
- California State Indian Tribes listed on the Native American Heritage Commission’s California Tribal Consultation List.
- Mutual water companies.
- Universities (some programs).

## How to Apply for Funding at DWR

Visit <https://water.ca.gov/Work-with-us/Grants-and-loans> to learn more about open solicitations, public comment opportunities, program contacts, and application timing. **Contact the program representative directly to learn more about how to apply.**

To submit applications for some programs, use the Grants Review and Tracking System at <https://water.ca.gov/Work-With-Us/Grants-And-Loans/GRanTS>.

## **Integrated Regional Water Management (IRWM)**

To apply for IRWM grants, applicants must contact their IRWM region contact person listed in the IRWM Region Contact List at <https://water.ca.gov/Work-With-Us/Grants-And-Loans/IRWM-Grant-Programs>.

### **Purpose**

The IRWM Proposition 1 Grant Program provides funds for development and update of IRWM plan, ensuring involvement of DACs, and implementation of projects in IRWM plans. Goals of the program include (a) help build/update water infrastructure systems that adapt to climate change, including sea level rise; (b) provide incentives for water agencies throughout each watershed to collaborate in managing the region's water resources and setting regional priorities for water infrastructure; and (c) improve regional water self-reliance — thereby reducing reliance on the Sacramento-San Joaquin Delta.

### ***IRWM Implementation Grant Program***

The IRWM Implementation Grant Program provides funding for implementation projects that meet the intent of Proposition 1, Chapter 7.

Approximately \$459 million in grant funding was made available for grant solicitations with at least \$102 million being made available for DAC and Tribal involvement (DACTI) activities and implementation projects that provide direct benefits to DACs. To date, approximately \$267 million has been awarded for grant awards: \$4.2 million for IRWM plan developments and updates, \$51.7 million for DACTI activities, and \$211.1 million in Round 1 grant solicitation for project implementations, leaving approximately \$192 million to be awarded in Round 2 Implementation grant solicitation.

Here is a status of recent grants:

- IRWM Planning Grants – Program closed and completed February 2020.
- DACTI Program – In 2016–2017, \$51.7 million was awarded to 12 funding areas for the purpose of ensuring involvement of DACs, economically distressed areas, or underrepresented communities; and the program is currently underway.

- IRWM Implementation Grants – Round 1 Solicitation: Completed and \$211 million has been awarded to 42 IRWM regions. Agreement Execution will be completed by spring 2021.

Potential applicants are highly encouraged to contact their respective IRWM region contact person listed in the IRWM Region Contact List at the bottom of the following link (under the "+IRWM Region Contacts" accordion)

<https://water.ca.gov/Work-With-Us/Grants-And-Loans/IRWM-Grant-Programs>.

### **Types of Projects**

Eligible projects must be included in an adopted IRWM plan (Water Code Section 79740) that is consistent with the most recent IRWM plan standards. Eligible project types are dependent on the proposition language and can be variable in different solicitations. For Proposition 1 – Round 1 solicitation, specific details on eligible project types are provided in Section II.C of the 2019 IRWM Guidelines.

### **Funding Availability**

Approximately \$192 million will be made available in grants for IRWM projects in Round 2. Cost share of 50 percent is required, unless waived or reduced for a project that benefits a disadvantaged community.

Details are available at <https://water.ca.gov/Work-With-Us/Grants-And-Loans/IRWM-Grant-Programs/Proposition-1/Implementation-Grants>.

### **Terms/Dates**

IRWM Implementation Grants – Round 2 Solicitation (Tentative Schedule): Round 2 Implementation grant solicitation is tentatively scheduled to be open in late 2021 and awards to be announced in 2022–2023. Only one application is accepted per IRWM Region. Funding is awarded by "Funding Area" as defined in Proposition 1.

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### **IRWM Website**

<https://water.ca.gov/Work-With-Us/Grants-And-Loans/IRWM-Grant-Programs>

## ***Sustainable Groundwater Management Implementation Grant Program***

### **Purpose**

Competitive grants to support implementation of local and regional groundwater projects required to support sustainable groundwater management.

Eligible applicants will be GSAs; member agencies of GSAs; an entity that represents a GSA(s) which can include public agencies, nonprofit organizations, public utilities, federally recognized Indian Tribes, State Indian Tribes listed on the Native American Heritage Commission's Tribal Consultation list, or mutual water companies; and agencies with an approved alternative plan.

### **Types of Projects**

Details of project eligibility and preferences are listed in the Sustainable Groundwater Management (SGM) Grant Program's Proposition 68 2019 Guidelines (2019 Guidelines) and the SGM Grant Program's Proposition 68 Implementation Proposal Solicitation Package (2020 PSP). However, as a general guidance, eligible projects may include activities or tasks that include the development of groundwater recharge projects with surface water, stormwater, recycled water, and other conjunctive use projects, or projects that prevent or clean up contamination of groundwater that serves as a source of drinking water (Public Resources Code Section 80146[a]). Other eligible project types are projects and programs that support water supply reliability, water conservation, and water use efficiency and water banking, exchange, and reclamation.

### **Funding Availability**

Proposition 68: \$88 million.

- \$26 million planned in Round 1 for critically overdrafted basins.
- \$62 million in Round 2 for medium- or high-priority basins.

Cost Share: 25 percent.

Minimum Award: \$2 million.

### **Terms/Dates**

Round 1 Solicitation closed in January 2021, final awards expected to be \$26 million in May 2021 with grant terms summer 2021 through June 2024. Round 2 is expected to be advertised in spring/summer 2022 and awarded fall 2022.

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## ***Flood Control Subventions Program (FCSP)***

### **Purpose**

DWR and the Central Valley Flood Protection Board (CVFPB) provide financial assistance to local agencies cooperating in the construction of federally authorized flood control projects. The CVFPB is responsible for the State's financial assistance share for major U.S. Army Corps of Engineers' State Plan of Flood Control projects in the Central Valley, and DWR is responsible for disbursing funds for all other projects authorized by the State.

### **Types of Projects**

Federally authorized projects that are not part of the State Plan of Flood Control are eligible for FCSP financial assistance. Projects are typically approved by the State Legislature and specifically cited in the California Water Code.

### **Funding Availability**

Proposition 84: \$21 million.

Dependent on the project-specific authorization in the California Water Code.

### **Terms/Dates**

Commitments are restricted to legislatively approved projects. Projects receive reimbursement of State cost share as approved by the Legislature for the specific project.

Claim submittals accepted on a continuous basis and are generally paid on a first-come, first-served basis, based on available State funding.

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## **Central Valley Tributaries Program**

### **Purpose**

To help fund flood management projects that enhance water quality and ecosystems of rivers and streams tributary to the Sacramento-San Joaquin Delta.

### **Types of Projects**

Projects must be in the Central Valley and within or adjacent to the systemwide planning area. Projects in the Sacramento-San Joaquin Delta are excluded.

### **Funding Availability**

Proposition 1: \$25 million left to award.

Unless reduced or waived for a DAC, 50 percent cost share required.

No maximum award. Award amounts are determined on a case-by-case basis.

### **Terms/Dates**

Guidelines and proposal solicitation package will be announced when offered. New solicitation in fall 2021.

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### **Central Valley Tributaries Program Website**

<https://water.ca.gov/Work-With-Us/Grants-And-Loans/Central-Valley-Tributaries-Program>



## ***Floodplain Management, Protection, and Risk Awareness Program***

### **Purpose**

The Floodplain Management, Protection and Risk Awareness (FMPRA) Grant Program supports local agency efforts to prepare for flooding by providing financial assistance for flood risk reduction activities related to stormwater flooding, mudslides, and flash floods. The program supports both the Public Safety Initiative announced by Governor Brown's Administration in February 2017 and the Headwaters to Floodplains Flood Safety Partnership Program.

### **Types of Projects**

Details of the project eligibility and preferences are available in the Program Draft Guidelines and Proposal Solicitation Package on the [Program webpage](#). As general guidance, funding will be available to support both implementation projects, as well as planning and monitoring projects that will lead to the future implementation of projects that will reduce flash flooding, mudslides, or stormwater flooding.

### **Funding Availability**

Proposition 68: \$25 million

- \$22.5 million planned for implementation projects
- \$2.5 million planned for planning and monitoring projects

Cost Share: 25 percent.

Minimum Award: Dependent upon the number of applications received.

### **Terms/Dates**

The Draft Program Guidelines and PSP 60-day public comment period closed on February 22, 2021. The program is scheduled to release the final Guidelines and PSP in spring 2021. The solicitation period will be opened following the release of these documents. Project selection and award is scheduled for winter 2021. The Proposition 68 funding is available and must be used in awarded contracts through June 2024.

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## ***Water Use Efficiency CalConserve Revolving Fund Loan Program***

### **Purpose**

This program provides loans to local agencies to provide low-interest loans to customers for water use efficiency upgrades and for on-site improvements to repair or replace leaking pipes. Loan recipient agencies would then offer customer low-interest or no-interest, on-bill financing. On-bill financing would remove first-cost barriers to efficiency upgrades.

### **Types of Projects**

On-site improvements for water use efficiency or to repair or replace leaky pipes.

### **Funding Availability**

Proposition 1: \$7 million in funds remaining.

- \$2 million total for water-use efficiency upgrades.
- \$5 million total for leak detection and repairs.
- A loan cap of \$3 million per agency.

Unless reduced or waived for a DAC, 50 percent cost share required.

### **Terms/Dates**

Loan awards on a continuous first-come, first-served basis, based on available State funding.

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<https://water.ca.gov/Work-With-Us/Grants-And-Loans/CalConserve-Water-Use-Efficiency-Loan-Program>

***Safe Drinking Water – Contaminant Removal Technologies –  
Ultraviolet and Ozone Treatment***

**Purpose**

Proposition 50 Chapter 6c to provide grant funds for projects using ultra-violet (UV) or ozone disinfection technologies.

**Types of Projects**

Drinking water disinfecting projects using UV technology and ozone treatment. Eligible applicants are public water systems under the regulatory jurisdiction of the State Water Resource Control Board.

**Funding Availability**

Proposition 50: \$5 million in funds remaining in program, up to \$2 million in funds for 2021 activities.

Minimum grant is \$50,000. Up to \$5 million per grant, reimbursement format.

**Terms/Dates**

Concept presented to DWR prior to full application.

Grant awards on a continuous first-come, first-served basis, based on available State funding.

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***Safe Drinking Water – Contaminant Removal Technologies – Pilot and Demonstration Projects***

**Purpose**

Proposition 50 Chapter 6b to provide grant funds to test new technologies in California for the removal of specific categories of contaminants.

**Types of Projects**

Contaminant treatment or removal technology pilot and demonstration studies. Eligible applicants are public water systems under the regulatory jurisdiction of the State Water Resource Control Board.

**Funding Availability**

Proposition 50: \$5 million in funds remaining in program, up to \$3 million in funds for 2021 activities

Minimum grant is \$50,000. Up to \$5 million per grant, reimbursement format

**Terms/Dates**

Concept presented to DWR prior to full application.

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## ***Clean Water State Revolving Fund (CWSRF) Program***

### **Type**

Loan/Principal Forgiveness

### **Purpose**

This program provides financing for eligible projects to restore and maintain water quality in the state.

### **Eligibility Requirements**

Eligible applicants include cities, counties, districts, joint power authorities, State agencies, nonprofit organizations, private entities (select categories and sources), and Tribes.

### **CEQA Plus**

CEQA documents must meet all State and federal environmental review requirements.

CEQA documents must have been adopted less than five years before the accepted date of the financing agreement. If the CEQA documents is more than five years old, the applicant must re-evaluate the project's environmental conditions in an updated environmental document.

### **Eligible Uses**

Funding for (a) wastewater and water recycling projects: wastewater treatment, local sewers, sewer interceptors, water reclamation facilities; and (b) nonpoint source (NPS) projects identified in California's NPS plan, estuary projects, stormwater reduction, and treatment facilities.

### **Ineligible Uses**

Operation and maintenance costs.

### **Funding Limits**

No minimum or maximum per project funding limits. The Program has established a yearly loan funding target. Yearly funding will range between 90 and 125 percent of the \$586 million target. A project must be on the fundable list to receive financing. Placement of an application on the fundable list does not

guarantee financing. A financing agreement will be executed for a project on the fundable list only if the application meets all applicable eligibility requirements. The State Water Board will sort and rank projects from highest priority score to lowest priority score for potential placement on the fundable list.

Given the ongoing high demand on the CWSRF though, the State Water Board will not be able to fund all the projects currently requesting funding in State fiscal year 2020–2021. Applicants whose projects are not on the fundable list are encouraged to evaluate the CWSRF’s finances and competing demands on the program as described in this intended use plan (IUP) and any updates during the year and evaluate all viable, alternative financing options for their projects considering any deadlines they must meet.

### **Terms/Dates**

Applications accepted continuously. The application for readiness scoring ended on December 31, 2020. The schedule for intended use plan development for fiscal year 2021–2022 is:

- June 15, 2021, State Water Board adoption of fiscal year 2021–2022 IUP including fundable project list.
- IUP Implementation July 1, 2021.

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## ***Small Community Wastewater: Small Community Grant (SCG) Fund***

### **Type**

Grant/Loan

### **Purpose**

The SCG fund helps finance communities with the most need, helping those that cannot afford a loan or similar financing to move forward with water quality improvements.

### **Eligibility Requirements**

Eligible applicants include public agencies, Section 501(c)(3) nonprofit organizations, federally recognized Tribes and State Tribes that are small DACs: population less than 20,000, and median household income (MHI) is less than 80 percent of the Statewide MHI based on latest U.S. Census data.

### **CEQA Plus**

CEQA documents must meet all State and federal environmental review requirements.

CEQA documents must have been adopted less than five years before the accepted date of the financing agreement. If the CEQA documents are more than five years old, the applicant must re-evaluate the project's environmental conditions in an updated environmental document.

### **Eligible Uses**

For Planning projects, the maximum grant amount is \$500,000. The planning project can cover costs for engineering reports, public outreach, environmental documents, design, rate studies/Proposition 218-related work, income surveys, and sewer system evaluations.

For construction projects, the maximum grant amount is \$6,000,000. Severely DACs (MHI is less than 60 percent of the Statewide MHI based on latest U.S. Census data) are eligible for 100 percent grant. DACs (MHI less than 80 percent of the Statewide MHI based on latest U.S. Census data) are eligible for 75 percent grants and 25 percent loans. For DACs, wastewater rates need to be greater than or equal to 1.5 percent of their MHI. If the community's wastewater rates are greater than or equal to 4 percent of their MHI and their MHI is less than 100 percent of the Statewide MHI based on latest U.S. Census data, they are eligible for 50 percent grants and 50 percent loans. The maximum cost per household per project is \$30,000.

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For septic-to-sewer and regionalization projects, the maximum grant amount is \$8,000,000. Severely disadvantaged communities (SDACs) (MHI is less than 60 percent of the Statewide MHI based on latest U.S. Census data) are eligible for 100 percent grants. DACs (MHI less than 80 percent of the Statewide MHI based on latest U.S. Census data) are eligible for 75 percent grants and 25 percent loans. For DACs, wastewater rates need to be greater than or equal to 1.5 percent of their MHI. If the community's wastewater rates are greater than or equal to 4 percent of their MHI and their MHI is less than 100 percent of the Statewide MHI based on latest U.S. Census data, they are eligible for 50 percent grants and 50 percent loans. The maximum cost per household per project is \$75,000.

### **Ineligible Uses**

Operation and maintenance costs.

### **Funding Limits**

For fiscal year 2020–2021, approximately \$55 million is available. Applications are not scored and ranked. All new SDAC and DAC applicants will be added automatically to the fundable list. Projects may be funded at any time provided they submit a complete application and meet eligibility requirements.

### **Terms/Dates**

Because of limited grant/principal forgiveness (PF) availability, the State Water Resources Control Board will prioritize grant/PF for small community wastewater projects. Public health projects, projects that address violations of waste discharge requirements and National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) permits, projects that connect previously unsewered areas or join communities to regionalize wastewater treatment works, and other projects identified as priority by the Regional Water Quality Control Boards are considered priority for grant/PF funding (priority projects).

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## ***Water Recycling Funding Program (WRFP)***

### **Type**

Grant/Loan

### **Purpose**

This program promotes use of treated municipal wastewater to augment or offset State/local fresh water supplies.

### **Eligibility Requirements**

Eligible applicants include public agencies, Section 501(c)(3) nonprofit organizations, federally recognized Tribes and State Tribes that, mutual water companies.

### **CEQA Plus**

CEQA documents must meet all State and federal environmental review requirements.

CEQA documents must have been adopted less than five years before the accepted date of the financing agreement. If the CEQA documents are more than five years old, the applicant must re-evaluate the project's environmental conditions in an updated environmental document.

### **Eligible Uses**

Eligible projects include recycled water treatment; recycled water storage, distribution, and pumping; groundwater recharge; indirect potable reuse; and surface water augmentation.

### **Ineligible Uses**

Operation and maintenance costs.

### **Funding Limits**

For fiscal year 2021–2022, approximately \$22 million in grant funds and approximately \$3 million in loan funds is available for WRFP construction projects. The State Water Board also has authority to commit approximately \$20.1 million in planning grants. The projects on the fundable list that appear to be eligible for these funds are requesting in excess of \$66 million.

Therefore, DFA anticipates that all available WRFP grant and loan funds can and will be committed by June 30, 2022, with a combination of eligible water recycling projects on the fundable list.

- A planning grant can cover 50 percent of the eligible planning costs up to a maximum grant amount of \$150,000.
- A construction grant can cover 35 percent of construction costs up to a maximum grant amount of \$5,000,000.
- A construction loan will cover 50 percent of the total eligible project cost.

A project must be on the fundable list to receive financing. Placement of an application on the fundable list does not guarantee financing. A financing agreement will be executed for a project on the fundable list only if the application meets all applicable eligibility requirements. The State Water Board will sort and rank projects from highest priority score to lowest priority score for potential placement on the fundable list.

### **Terms/Dates**

Applications accepted continuously. The application for readiness scoring ended on December 31, 2020. The schedule for IUP development for fiscal year 2021–2022 is:

- June 16, 2021, State Water Board adoption of fiscal year 2021–2022 IUP including fundable project list.
- IUP Implementation July 1, 2021.

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## ***Groundwater: Site Cleanup Subaccount Program (SCAP)***

### **Type**

Grant

### **Purpose**

SCAP issues grants for projects that remediate the harm or threat of harm to human health, safety, or the environment caused by existing or threatened surface water or groundwater contamination.

### **Eligibility Requirements**

Applicants with eligible projects.

### **Eligible Uses**

Eligible projects include remediating the harm or threat of harm to human health, safety, and the environment from surface water or groundwater contamination; human-made contaminants (i.e., nitrates, PCE, TCE, DCE, DCA, pesticides, perchlorate, MTBE, hexavalent chromium.); a regulatory agency that issues a directive (unless this is infeasible); a responsible party that lacks financial resources. Projects may include site characterization, source identification, or implementation of cleanup.

### **Priorities**

The priorities are significant threat to human health or the environment; disadvantaged or small community impact; cost and environmental benefit of project; lack of availability of other sources of funds; other State Water Board considerations.

### **Funding Limits**

Annual appropriation of \$19.5 million.

### **Terms/Dates**

No deadlines; continuous pre-application process.

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## ***Proposition 1: Groundwater Grant Program***

### **Type**

Grant

### **Purpose**

This program provides planning and implementation grants to prevent and cleanup contamination of groundwater that serves or has served as a source of drinking water.

### **Eligibility Requirements**

Eligible applicants include public agencies, Section 501(c)(3) nonprofit organizations, federally recognized Tribes and State Tribes, and mutual water companies.

### **CEQA**

CEQA documents must have been adopted less than five years before the excepted date of the financing agreement. If the CEQA documents is more than five years old, the applicant must re-evaluate the project's environmental conditions in an updated environmental document.

### **Eligible Uses**

Eligible projects must prevent or clean-up contamination of groundwater that serves or has a source of drinking water including wellhead treatment, installation of extraction wells combined with treatment systems, centralized groundwater treatment systems, groundwater recharge to prevent/reduce contamination of wells, and groundwater injection to prevent seawater intrusion.

### **Funding Limits**

Approximately \$170 million will be available to fund projects through the Groundwater Grant Program for the Third Round solicitation. Approximately \$99 million of these funds remain for projects benefiting DACs/economically distressed areas.

The applicant is required to provide a minimum local cost share "match funds" of 50 percent of the total project cost. Other State funds cannot be used for the required match funds. Match funds may include federal grant and loans, local and private funding, donated or "in-kind" services. Repayable financing through the

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Drinking Water State Revolving Fund (DWSRF) or CWSRF programs, or other State or federally sponsored loan program, may be used for match. The match requirement for a DAC or economically distressed area may be reduced or waived.

### **Terms/Dates**

Third Round – Solicitation for Concept Proposal opens summer 2021.

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## ***Proposition 68: Groundwater Treatment and Remediation Grant Program***

### **Type**

Grant

### **Purpose**

This program provides grants for treatment and remediation activities that prevent or reduce the contamination of groundwater that serves as a source of drinking water.

### **Eligibility Requirements**

Eligible applicants include public agencies, nonprofit organizations, public utilities, federally recognized Indian Tribes, California Native American Tribes, and mutual water companies.

### **Eligible Uses**

Project must address contamination in groundwater that serves as a source of drinking water. Only projects addressing contaminants from a discharge of waste and causing contamination will be eligible.

Costs eligible for funding generally include required operations and maintenance (O&M) costs for existing treatment and remediation systems that prevent or reduce contamination of groundwater that serves as a source of drinking water, but are not limited to permitting, monitoring, reporting, utility bills, chemicals, replacement or changeout of equipment, or plant operator. The types of treatment systems that must qualify for O&M funding include wellhead treatment, extraction and treatment systems, centralized treatment systems, and source area cleanup.

It is expected that proposals will consist primarily of requests to fund O&M at existing facilities. New infrastructure projects will generally be directed to the Proposition 1 Groundwater Grant Program, with one potential exception: project proposals that include relatively small-scale capital improvements that will reduce long-term O&M costs. These capital improvements will be considered for funding if an applicant can demonstrate that the resulting reduction in O&M costs over the useful life of the improvement exceeds the proposed capital cost.

### **Ineligible Uses**

Funds cannot be used for projects not resulting from a discharge of waste; acquisition of land through eminent domain; to pay any share of the costs of remediation recovered from parties responsible for the contamination of groundwater storage aquifer (funds may be used to pay costs that cannot be recovered from responsible parties); overhead or costs not directly to the project; or State or federal taxes.

### **Funding Limits**

After completing two solicitations, approximately \$35 million remains uncommitted for funding for DAC drinking water projects. These funds may be utilized for noncapital expenditures, including ongoing O&M of existing facilities.

There is a minimum grant amount of \$500,000 and a maximum grant amount of \$5 million per project and a maximum grant amount of \$20 million per applicant for O&M projects, but additional funding for capital improvements to existing facilities will reduce long-term O&M costs may be provided as part of an award. Funding for such improvements has a maximum grant amount of \$2 million per project and \$5 million per applicant, which may be in addition to any funding provided for O&M activities.

The applicant is required to provide a minimum local cost share “match funds” of 50 percent of the total project cost. Match funds may include federal grant and loans, local and private funding, donated or in-kind services. Repayable financing through the DWSRF or CWSRF programs, or other State or federally sponsored loan program, may be used for match. The match requirement for a DAC or economically distressed area may be reduced or waived.

### **Terms/Dates**

Another solicitation is not planned, but eligible projects that serve a SDAC can be funded on a continuous basis.

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## ***Proposition 1: Storm Water Grant Program (SWGP)***

### **Type**

Grant

### **Purpose**

This program provides grants for multi-benefit stormwater management projects.

### **Eligibility Requirements**

Eligible applicants include public agencies, nonprofit organizations, public utilities, federally recognized Indian Tribes, California Native American Tribes, and mutual water companies.

### **Eligible Uses**

Implementation grants will only be awarded to projects that are included and implemented in an adopted IRWM plan, are included in a stormwater resource plan, respond to climate change, and contribute to regional water security. Multi-benefit stormwater management projects may include green infrastructure, rainwater and stormwater capture projects, and stormwater treatment facilities.

### **Ineligible Uses**

Ineligible projects include projects that must seek eminent domain as part of their project implementation timeline; projects that do not meet the requirements of Proposition 1 SWGP guidelines, the Storm Water Resource Plan Guidelines, Water Code, and Proposition 1, or projects that consist of only education and outreach activities.

### **Funding Limits**

No funding is available at this time.

The minimum grant amount is \$250,000 and the maximum grant amount is \$10,000,000. The grant maximum will be applied on a per applicant basis across both Round 1 and Round 2 combined.

The applicant is required to provide a minimum local funding match of 50 percent of the total project cost. Other State funds cannot be used for the required match. The funding match may include federal grants and loans, local and private funding, donated or in-kind services. Repayable financing through the DWSRF or CWSRF

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programs, or other State or federally sponsored loan program, may be used for match. The match requirement for a DAC or economically distressed area may be reduced.

### **Terms/Dates**

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## ***Drinking Water State Revolving Fund (DWSRF)***

### **Type**

Low-Interest Loans and Grants

### **Purpose**

This program provides low-interest loans and grants for planning and construction projects that support public water systems in meeting compliance with drinking water standards.

### **Eligibility Requirements**

Eligible applicants include community water systems, nonprofit, and noncommunity water systems.

The following types of facilities may be determined to be a small SDAC with financial hardship: on-transient noncommunity water systems serving facilities such as a public school, a not-for profit private school, a daycare, a labor camp, and elder care facility or a health care facility, that are owned by a public agency or not-for profit water company.

### **Eligible Uses**

Eligible projects include planning/design and construction of drinking water infrastructure projects including: consolidation; water meters; water storage; treatment systems; replacement of aged water transmission or distribution mains, groundwater wells, or other infrastructure; private laterals; interconnections; pipeline extensions.

### **Funding Limits**

The maximum grant for a community is based on all funding the community receives in a five-year period. This includes planning, technical assistance, and construction funding for all DWSRF projects for the community. DACs (MHI is less than 80 percent of the Statewide MHI based on latest U.S. Census data) can receive up to 100 percent PT for eligible Category A-C projects.

The maximum amount of principal forgiveness, grant, or a combination thereof will not exceed \$60,000 per service connection for Category A-C projects and \$45,000 per service connection for Category D-F projects.

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A consolidation incentive is available to public water systems who consolidate a small disadvantage community. A consolidation project will receive terms based on small DAC eligibility. The remaining public water system can receive up to \$10 million on zero-percent interest financing.

### **Terms/Dates**

No deadlines; continuous pre-application process.

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***Safe and Affordable Funding for Equity and Resilience Funding Program and Safe and Affordable Drinking Water Fund (Senate Bill 200)***

**Type**

Grant

**Purpose**

This program provides a set of tools, funding sources, and regulatory authorities designed to ensure that one million Californians who currently lack safe drinking water receive safe and affordable drinking water as quickly as possible. The fund will provide \$130 million per year.

**Eligibility Requirements**

Eligible recipients include public agencies, nonprofit organizations, public utilities, mutual water companies, California Native American Tribes, administrators, and groundwater sustainability agencies.

**Eligible Uses**

Eligible projects may be used for various types of assistance for DACs, voluntary participants, and public water systems with demonstrated failure or risk of failure, including projects that:

- Provide interim access to safe water sources.
- Contract or provide a grant to an administrator to address or prevent failure to provide safe and affordable drinking water.
- Improve water delivery infrastructure.
- Provide technical assistance to DACs.
- Consolidate systems.
- Fund operation and maintenance for disadvantaged and low-income communities.

**Terms/Dates**

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## ***Drinking Water for Schools Grant Program (DWFS)***

### **Type**

Grant

### **Purpose**

This program was initially allocated and has awarded \$9.5 million in grants funds to school districts to improve access to, and the quality of, drinking water in public schools (Round 1). An additional \$6.8 million has been authorized for the DWFS Grant Program (Round 2). Grant funds were awarded to Self-Help Enterprises and Rural Community Assistance Corporation and they will act as program administrators. These administrators will work directly with eligible school districts to develop and fund projects for DAC schools. Program administrators will reach out to those schools meeting priority criteria in the next several months.

### **Eligibility Requirements**

Eligible applicants include local educational agencies serving kindergarten or any of grades 1-12, inclusive, and preschools and child day care facilities, located on public school property. Additionally, all projects must be located at schools within, or serving, a DAC.

### **Eligible Uses**

Eligible projects include:

- Installation or replacement of water bottle refilling stations or drinking water fountains with or without treatment devices capable of removing contaminants present in the school's water supply.
- Installation of point-of-entry, or point-of-use treatment devices for water bottle filling stations, drinking fountains, and other fixtures that provide water for human consumption.
- Installation, replacement, or repairs of drinking water fixtures and associated plumbing appurtenances that are necessary to address lead contamination identified by a school's public water system pursuant to the Lead Sampling of Drinking Water in California Schools Program and that requires a corrective action.
- Provision of interim alternative water supplies for applicants in process of implementing a permanent solution, including purchases of temporary transfer water, hauled water, and bottled water.

Funding can also be used for interim solutions. Program administrators can utilize funds to provide the following types of assistance:

- Grants to local education agencies (LEAs) for project implementation.
- Direct project implementation on behalf of LEAs, which may include reimbursement for work implemented by contractors, including Public Water Systems.
- Technical assistance with completing funding applications, overseeing and inspecting project installations, monitoring, as well as planning and conducting operations and maintenance.

### **Ineligible Uses**

Ineligible projects include:

- Major repairs or replacement of internal building plumbing systems.
- Replacement, repairs, or rehabilitation of wells.
- Establishing connections(s) to an adjacent public water system.
- Projects that are solely demonstration or pilot studies.
- Projects that are solely education and outreach.

### **Funding Limits**

The maximum grant amount will be \$100,000 per individual school.

### **Terms/Dates**

Round 1 Applicants have been notified of their approved project. The DWFS Program will soon post deadlines for Round 2 projects.

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## ***Emergency Drinking Water/Cleanup and Abatement Account (CAA)***

### **Type**

Grant

### **Purpose**

The CAA may be utilized to fund projects that clean up or abate the effects of a waste on waters of the State, or projects that address urgent drinking water needs.

### **Eligibility Requirements**

The following entities are eligible to apply for funding to clean up a waste or abate the effect of waste on waters of the State, provided the entity has the authority to undertake the cleanup or abatement activity for which it seeks funding:

- A public agency serving a DAC.
- A Tribal government that is on the California Tribal Consultation List maintained by the Native American Heritage Commission and is a DAC, that agrees to waive tribal sovereign immunity for the explicit purpose of regulation by the State Water Board pursuant to Division 7 of the Water Code.
- A not-for-profit organization serving a DAC.
- A community water system serving a DAC.

### **Eligible Uses**

The CAA may be used to fund projects for the cleanup or abatement where there are no viable responsible parties available to undertake the work. Eligible projects also include:

- Bottled water.
- Well repair, rehabilitation, and replacement.
- Vending machines.
- Point-of-Use devices.
- Hauled water.
- Emergency interties.
- Treatment systems.

The CAA may be also used to fund projects for the cleanup or abatement where there are no viable responsible parties available to undertake the work. Eligible projects also include:

- Cleanup of oil, diesel, or petroleum spill, mining waste leachate drainage, or other discharges.
- Removal or contaminated sediment, illegally dumped material, or other debris.
- Remediation of contaminated groundwater.
- Watershed restoration, including habitat restoration, erosion control, algae abatement.

### **Ineligible Uses**

Ineligible projects include projects with a responsible party that has legal obligation and financial capacity to address the waste.

### **Funding Limits**

\$500,000 per project, for routine noncontroversial projects.

### **Terms/Dates**

No deadlines; continuous application process.

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## ***Orphan Site Cleanup Fund (OSCF)***

### **Type**

Grant

### **Purpose**

This fund is a grant program that provides financial assistance for the cleanup of a site contaminated by leaking petroleum underground storage tanks (USTs) where there is no financially responsible party and the applicant is not an eligible claimant to the UST cleanup fund.

### **Eligibility Requirements**

Eligible applicants include any entity type, except State and federal that also:

- Own or have access to the property.
- Are not eligible for UST Cleanup Fund.
- Are not responsible for the UST petroleum release.
- Are not affiliated with any person who caused or contributed to UST petroleum release.

### **Eligible Uses**

Eligible projects include those that involve the cleanup of sites where the principal source of contamination is from an on-site UST and where there is no financially viable responsible party for the contamination.

### **Funding Limits**

The maximum amount of grant available for an eligible occurrence is \$1 million for a grant application filed on or after January 1, 2015.

### **Terms/Dates**

No deadlines; continuous application process.

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## ***Nonpoint Source (NPS) Grant Program***

### **Type**

Grant

### **Purpose**

This program aims to minimize NPS pollution from land use activities in agriculture, urban development, forestry, recreational boating and marinas, hydromodification, and wetlands. The program's goal is to achieve water quality goals and maintain beneficial uses.

### **Eligibility Requirements**

Eligible applicants include a public agency, nonprofit Section 501 (c)(3) organization, federally recognized Tribe, State agency, public college, or a federal agency. Federally recognized Tribes must provide a limited waiver of sovereign immunity for the purpose of grant enforceability.

Project must address NPS Grant Program preferences. Project must meet funding match requirements. Project must be completed in three years or less. Project must demonstrate climate change resilience.

### **Eligible Uses**

The majority of NPS program funding is awarded to implementation proposals for impaired waters, or projects that implement practices to improve impaired waters. However, funding may be awarded to planning proposals if sufficient funding is available. In addition, some funding may be awarded to proposals for post-fire recovery and for protection of high-quality waters.

### **Ineligible Uses**

- Private entities other than 501(c)(3) organizations.
- Projects necessary to satisfy an enforcement or civil settlement or judicial order.
- Projects that directly support the production of cannabis.
- Projects or activities that are required by or that implement a NPDES permit or an order applicable to regulated stormwater discharges under CWA section 402(p).

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- Projects that convert or upgrade individual septic systems are ineligible. However, large-scale upgrades or conversion of an entire community, or portion of a community, that address a common impairment to the same waterbody and are part of one grant project, may be supported as long as the project meets all other eligibility requirements.
- Projects that are entirely or primarily education and outreach
- Research studies and pilot projects.

### Funding Limits

| Project Type  | Minimum Award | Maximum Award |
|---|---------------|---------------|
| Implementation of practices to improve impaired waters                | \$250,000     | \$800,000     |
| Implementation of practices to protect or improve high-quality waters | \$250,000     | \$800,000     |
| Implementation of practices for post-fire recovery                    | \$250,000     | \$800,000     |
| Planning  | \$80,000      | \$200,000     |

### Terms/Dates

The 2020 solicitation period closed on December 18, 2020. State Water Board staff will assess the proposals for minimum eligibility requirements and notify applicants of their status. The 2021 NPS fundable list will be available online.

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## ***Proposition 1: Technical Assistance***

### **Type**

Grant through technical assistance providers (nonprofit organizations and/or public universities).

### **Purpose**

TA is intended to provide technical assistance to small DACs such that they can pursue funding for drinking water, wastewater, groundwater remediation, and stormwater capital improvement projects.

### **Eligibility Requirements**

Eligible applicants include small (is less than 3,300 service connections or less than 10,000 population) DACs (median household income is less than 80 percent statewide median household income), and on a case-by-case basis, expanded small (less than 6,600 service connections or less than 20,000 population) DACs.

### **Eligible Uses**

TA efforts are primarily focused on development of projects for the following funding programs:

- Drinking Water – Infrastructure improvements to correct system deficiencies and improve drinking water quality.
- Wastewater – Infrastructure improvements to correct system deficiencies and prevent pollution.
- Groundwater – Projects that prevent or cleanup the contamination of groundwater that serves or has served as a source of drinking water.
- Stormwater – Multiple benefit projects designed to infiltrate, filter, store, evaporate, treat, or retain stormwater or dry weather runoff.

Assistance types:

- Coordination and development of capital improvement projects.
- Facilitation of operation and maintenance.
- Engineering and environmental analysis.
- Legal assistance.
- Leak detection/water audits.



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- Compliance audits.
- Financial analysis.
- Technical managerial and financial assessments.
- Board or operator training.

### **Funding Limits**

There are no maximum or minimum funding request amounts. Each TA project is allocated funds on a case-by-case, needs-based, basis.

Demand for drinking water/wastewater TA is extremely high. Not all eligible request can be accommodated through the TA Funding Program. Requests relating to one or more of the following will generally be given priority: systems that are out of compliance or experiencing insufficient water delivery capabilities, extension of service for drought/contamination impacted communities, consolidation projects, systems serving less than 200 connections, and applicants with small or relatively low cost needs that will enable an otherwise complete funding application to move forward.

Stormwater TA resources are limited. We are not currently accepting new communities for stormwater TA.

### **Terms/Dates**

No deadlines; continuous application process.

### **Technical Assistance Request Form**

To apply for technical assistance, please complete the Technical Assistance Request Form:

[https://www.waterboards.ca.gov/water\\_issues/programs/grants\\_loans/proposition1/docs/ta\\_request\\_form.pdf](https://www.waterboards.ca.gov/water_issues/programs/grants_loans/proposition1/docs/ta_request_form.pdf).

### **Program Contacts**

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### **Website**

[https://www.waterboards.ca.gov/water\\_issues/programs/grants\\_loans/tech\\_asst\\_funding.html](https://www.waterboards.ca.gov/water_issues/programs/grants_loans/tech_asst_funding.html)

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## Federal Agencies

**U.S. Department of Agriculture Rural Development**

**U.S. Bureau of Reclamation**

**U.S. Economic Development Administration**

# USDA Rural Development

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The U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) Rural Development has more than 40 programs to support investments in infrastructure, housing, and economic and community development projects throughout rural California. USDA's loan, grant, and loan guarantee programs work in partnership with State and local sources to help build stronger rural communities.

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## Programs

### ***Water & Waste Disposal Loan & Grant Program***

#### **Type**

Loan and Grant

#### **Purpose**

This program provides funding for clean and reliable drinking water systems, sanitary sewage disposal, sanitary solid waste disposal, and stormwater drainage to households and businesses in eligible rural areas.

#### **Eligibility Requirements**

This program assists qualified applicants who are not otherwise able to obtain commercial credit on reasonable terms. Eligible applicants include most State and local governmental entities, private nonprofits, and federally recognized Tribes.

#### **CEQA/NEPA**

A NEPA environment impact statement must be completed for each project.

#### **Eligible Uses**

Funds can be used to finance the acquisition, construction, or improvement of drinking water sourcing, treatment, storage and distribution; sewer collection, transmission, treatment and disposal; solid waste collection, disposal and closure; stormwater collection, transmission, and disposal.

In some case, funding also may be available for related activities such as legal and engineering fees; land acquisition, water and land rights, permits and equipment; start-up operations and maintenance; interest incurred during construction; purchase facilities to improve service or prevent loss of service; other costs determined to be necessary for completion of the project.

#### **Ineligible Uses**

Projects not modest in size, design, and cost; loan or grant finder fees; rental for use of equipment or machinery owned by applicant; projects serving non-rural areas.

### **Funding Limits**

There is no minimum or maximum loan amount. Grants limited to 45 percent and 75 percent of project cost based on alleviating health and sanitary violations and keeping rates affordable.

### **Terms/Dates**

The loan term is up to a 40-year payback period, based on the useful life of the facilities, and financed with a fixed interest rate. The interest rate is based on the need for the project and the median household income of the area to be served.

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For more information, visit the Water & Waste Disposal Loan & Grant Program website: <https://www.rd.usda.gov/programs-services/water-waste-disposal-loan-grant-program/ca>

## ***Emergency Community Water Assistance Grants***

### **Type**

Grant

### **Purpose**

This program helps eligible communities prepare, or recover from, an emergency that threatens the availability of safe, reliable drinking water. Emergency events include a variety of disasters such as drought or flood; earthquake; tornado or hurricane; disease outbreak; chemical spill, leak, or seepage; and other disasters. A federal disaster declaration is not required under this program.

### **Eligibility Requirements**

Eligible applicants include most State and local governmental entities, nonprofit organizations, and federally recognized Tribes.

Projects must be in rural areas and towns with populations of 10,000 or less. The area to be served must also have a median household income of less than the State's median household income for non-metropolitan areas based on latest U.S. Census data.

### **CEQA/NEPA**

A streamlined NEPA environment impact statement is required for each project.

### **Eligible Uses**

Water transmission line grants are available to construct waterline extensions, repair breaks or leaks in existing water distributions lines, and addresses related maintenance necessary to replenish the water supply.

Water source grants available to construct a water source, intake, or treatment facility.

### **Ineligible Uses**

Privately owned wells are not eligible.

### **Funding Limits**

The maximum award is \$1 million for water source grants. For water transmission grants, the maximum award is \$150,000.

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**Terms/Dates**

Applications are accepted year-round.

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For more information, visit the Emergency Community Water Assistance Grants website: <https://www.rd.usda.gov/programs-services/emergency-community-water-assistance-grants/ca>



## ***Water & Waste Disposal Grants to Alleviate Health Risks on Tribal Lands and Colonias***

### **Type**

Grant

### **Purpose**

This program provides low-income communities, that face significant health risks, access to safe, reliable drinking water and water disposal facilities and service.

### **Eligibility Requirements**

Eligible applicants include State and local governmental entities serving eligible areas, nonprofit organizations, utility districts serving Colonias, federally recognized tribes.

Eligible areas are federally recognized Tribal lands; areas recognized as Colonias before October 1, 1989; rural areas and towns with a population on 10,000 or less. Residents of the area to be served must face significant health risks resulting from a lack of access to, or use of adequate, affordable water or waste disposal. Areas not located in a Colonia must meet per capita income and unemployment rate requirements.

### **CEQA/NEPA**

A NEPA environment impact statement must be completed as part of the grant application.

### **Eligible Uses**

Construction of basic drinking water and waste disposal systems including storm drainage. Utility districts may also be able to provide grants to individual households to install indoor plumbing and connect to the system.

### **Ineligible Uses**

Projects that are not modest in size, design, and cost; loan or grant finder fees; rental for use of equipment or machinery owned by applicant; and projects serving non-rural areas.

### **Funding Limits**

No maximum or minimum grant amount but limited to funding availability.

USDA Rural Development

**Terms/Dates**

Applications accepted year-round.

**Program Contact**

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For more information, visit the website for Water & Waste Disposal Grants to Alleviate Health Risks on Tribal Lands and Colonias:  
<https://www.rd.usda.gov/programs-services/water-waste-disposal-grants-alleviate-health-risks-tribal-lands-and-colonias/ca>

## ***Special Evaluation Assistance for Rural Communities and Households (SEARCH)***

### **Type**

Grant

### **Purpose**

This program helps very small, financially distressed rural communities with predevelopment feasibility studies, design, and technical assistance on proposed water and water disposal projects.

### **Eligibility Requirements**

Eligible applicants include most State and local governmental entities, nonprofits, federally recognized Tribes.

Eligible areas are those with a population of 2,500 or less and a median household income below the poverty line or less than 80 percent of the statewide non-metropolitan median household income based on latest U.S. Census data.

### **CEQA/NEPA**

A NEPA environment impact statement must be completed as part of grant application.

### **Eligible Uses**

To pay predevelopment planning cost, including:

- Feasibility studies to support applications for funding water or waste disposal projects.
- Preliminary design and engineering analysis.
- Technical assistance for the development of an application for financial assistance.

The predevelopment planning cost must be related to a proposed project that meets the following requirements:

- Construct, enlarge, extend, or improve rural water sanitary sewage, solid waste disposal, and storm wastewater disposal facilities.

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- Construct or relocate public buildings, roads, bridges, fences, or utilities and to make other public improvements necessary for the successful operation or protection of facilities.
- Relocate private buildings, roads bridges, or utilities, and other private improvements necessary for the successful operation or protection of facilities.

### **Ineligible Uses**

Construction activities.

### **Funding Limits**

There is a maximum of \$30,000 per application.

### **Terms/Dates**

Applications are accepted year-round.

### **Program Contacts**

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## ***Community Facilities Direct Loan & Grant***

### **Type**

Loan and Grant

### **Purpose**

This program provides affordable funding to develop essential community facilities in rural areas. An essential community facility is defined as a facility that provides an essential service to the local community for the orderly development of the community in a primarily rural area, and does not include private, commercial, or business undertakings.

### **Eligibility Requirements**

Eligible applicants include most State and local governmental entities, nonprofits, federally recognized Tribes.

Rural areas including cities, villages, townships, and towns including federally recognized tribal lands with no more than 20,000 residents according to the latest U.S. Census Data are eligible for this program.

### **CEQA/NEPA**

A NEPA environment impact statement must be completed as part of the loan/grant application.

### **Eligible Uses**

Funds can be used to purchase, construct, and/or improve essential community facilities, purchase equipment and pay related project expenses.

Examples of essential community facilities include:

- Health care facilities such as hospitals, medical clinics, dental clinics, nursing homes or assisted living facilities.
- Public facilities such as town halls, courthouses, airport hangars, or street improvements.
- Community support services such as child care centers, community centers, fairgrounds or transitional housing.

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- Public safety services such as fire departments, police stations, prisons, police vehicles, fire trucks, public works vehicles or equipment.
- Educational services such as museums, libraries or private schools.
- Utility services such as telemedicine or distance learning equipment.
- Local food systems such as community gardens, food pantries, community kitchens, food banks, food hubs or greenhouses.

### **Ineligible Uses**

Operating and working capital.

### **Funding Limits**

There is a maximum of \$50,000 Grant per application. There is not a maximum for loan.

### **Terms/Dates**

Applications are accepted year-round.

### **Program Contact**

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# U.S. Department of the Interior, Bureau of Reclamation (Reclamation)

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## Website

<https://www.usbr.gov/mp/watershare/index.html>

## Contact information

The U.S. Bureau of Reclamation (Reclamation) is divided into five regions. Two regions cover California: the California Great-Basin Region (CGB) (based in Sacramento, California) and the Lower Colorado Basin Region (based in Boulder City, Nevada).

Contact information for CGB Water Conservation Team is listed below. Any of the team members can answer questions about a potential project within the CGB region.

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If you have questions about a project outside of the CBG region, contact one of the CGB team members, who will then find a Reclamation team member in the applicable region to assist you.



## **Reclamation Notices of Funding Opportunity**

Throughout the year, Reclamation posts to [www.grants.gov](http://www.grants.gov) notices of funding opportunity (NOFOs) for various activities and projects that promote water savings. Usually, the financial assistance document is a Grant, but it instead may be a cooperative agreement.

Each NOFO describes or lists eligibility requirements, eligible uses, ineligible uses, funding limits, and terms and dates.

A NEPA compliance determination is required prior to a successful applicant using federal funds to conduct any ground-disturbing activity. If an application is successful, Reclamation will work with the applicant during the NEPA analysis process.

Below are the names, descriptions, contact information, and website for many of the NOFOs Reclamation has posted online recently.

### ***CALFED Water Use Efficiency Grants***

#### **Purpose**

These projects conserve and use water more efficiently in an agricultural or urban setting.

#### **Program Contact**

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#### **Website**

<https://www.usbr.gov/mp/watershare/index.html>

## ***Agricultural Water Use Efficiency Grants***

### **Purpose**

These agricultural projects conserve and use water more efficiently and have on-farm benefits.

### **Program Contact**

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### **Website**

<https://www.usbr.gov/mp/watershare/index.html>

## ***Sustain and Manage America's Resources for Tomorrow (WaterSMART): Basin Study Program***

- Applied Science Tools
- Water Management Options Pilots

### **Purpose**

These projects foster collaborative planning within a basin.

### **Program Contact**

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### **Website**

<https://www.usbr.gov/watersmart/>

***WaterSMART: Cooperative Watershed Management Program***

**Purpose**

These projects provide a variety of benefits throughout a watershed.

**Program Contact**

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**Website**

<https://www.usbr.gov/watersmart/>

***WaterSMART: Desalination Construction***

**Purpose**

Funding for planning, design, and constructions of WIIN brackish groundwater and ocean desalination projects.

**Program Contact**

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**Website**

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***WaterSMART: Drought Response Program***

- Drought Contingency Plans
- Drought Resiliency Projects
- Emergency Response Actions

**Purpose**

These projects increase water supply reliability and improve water management.

**Program Contact**

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**Website**

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***WaterSMART: Title XVI Program***

**Purpose**

These projects reclaim and recycle water.

**Program Contact**

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**Website**

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***WaterSMART: Water Conservation Field Services Program***

**Purpose**

These projects promote water conservation planning and design.

**Program Contact**

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**Website**

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***WaterSMART: Water Marketing Strategy Grants***

**Purpose**

These projects develop and implement a water marketing strategy.

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**Website**

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### ***WaterSMART: Small-Scale Water Efficiency Projects***

#### **Purpose**

These projects conserve and use water more efficiently; mitigate conflict risk in areas at a high risk of future water conflict; and accomplish other benefits that contribute to water supply reliability in the western United States.

#### **Program Contact**

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#### **Website**

<https://www.usbr.gov/watersmart/>

### ***WaterSMART: Water and Energy Efficiency Grants***

#### **Purpose**

These projects conserve and use water more efficiently, increase the use of renewable energy and improve energy efficiency, benefit endangered and threatened species, facilitate water markets, or carry out other beneficial activities.

#### **Program Contact**

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#### **Website**

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# U.S. Economic Development Administration (EDA)



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The U. S. Economic Development Administration (EDA) is a small, nimble agency within the U.S. Department of Commerce that provides a big impact by helping to make it easier for businesses to start and grow in the United States. We do this by working hand-in-hand with local economic development partners to advance their locally developed projects: projects that are tied to their region's long-term sustainable economic development strategy.

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## +EDA Eligibility Requirements

Eligible Applicants:

- Local and State governments.
- Native American Tribal governments.
- Nonprofit organizations.
- Institutions of higher education.

### **Economic Distress Criteria**

A proposed project must be located in a region that meets EDA's economic distress criteria. The region must be subject to one (or more) of the following economic distress criteria:

- A 24-month unemployment rate that is one percentage point greater than the national average unemployment rate.
- Per capita income that is 80 percent or less of the national average per capita income.
- Special Need: Natural disasters, plant closures, persistent poverty (see current notice of funding opportunity for complete list).

## **How to Apply for Funding at EDA**

Visit [www.grants.gov](http://www.grants.gov) (search for keyword "EDA") to find open solicitations, notices of funding opportunity, and get application packages.

## **Funding Programs**

### ***Public Works***

#### **Purpose**

EDA's Public Works Program helps distressed communities revitalize expand and upgrade their physical infrastructure. This program enables communities to attract new industry, encourage business expansion, diversify local economies, and generate or retain long-term private sector jobs and investment through the acquisition or development of land and infrastructure improvements needed for the successful establishment or expansion of industrial or commercial enterprises.

## **Types of Projects**

EDA Public Works Program investments help facilitate the transition of communities from being distressed to becoming competitive by developing key public infrastructure, including water and sewer systems improvements, industrial parks, business incubator facilities, expansion of port and harbor facilities, skill-training facilities, and brownfields redevelopment.

## **Funding Availability**

EDA receives annual appropriations from Congress for the Public Works Program.

## **Terms/Dates**

Applications are accepted on a rolling basis.

## **Program Contacts**

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## ***Economic Adjustment Assistance***

### **Purpose**

The Economic Adjustment Assistance (EAA) Program provides a wide range of technical, planning, and public works and infrastructure assistance in regions experiencing adverse economic changes that may occur suddenly or over time. These adverse economic impacts may result from a steep decline in manufacturing employment following a plant closure, changing trade patterns, catastrophic natural disaster, a military base closure, or environmental changes and regulations.

### **Types of Projects**

The EAA program can assist state and local entities in responding to a wide range of economic challenges. As EDA's most flexible program, EAA can fund market and environmental studies, planning and construction grants, and capitalize or recapitalize revolving loan funds to help provide small businesses with the capital they need to grow.

**Funding Availability**

EDA receives annual appropriations from Congress for the Economic Adjustment Program and from time-to-time receives disaster supplemental appropriations for the Economic Adjustment Program.

**Terms/Dates**

Applications are accepted on a rolling basis.

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## Technical and Other Assistance

**California Conservation Corps**

**California Rural Water Association**

**Rural Community Assistance Corporation**

**California State Library – Grants Portal**

# California Conservation Corps (CCC)

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The California Conservation Corps (CCC) is a department within the California Natural Resources Agency and is the oldest and largest conservation corps in the nation.

Founded in 1976, the CCC was modeled after the original Civilian Conservation Corps of the 1930s. The CCC's mission is to protect and enhance California's natural resources and communities while empowering and developing young adults through hard work and education.

All crews are supervised and trained in safety and tool use. CCC Corpsmembers can work on a variety of projects, including site preparation, levee work, erosion control, trail building and rehabilitation, planting native trees and plants, removal of non-native or invasive plant species, and management of fire fuels.

## **Proposition 1**

The CCC is available to partner with organizations applying to Proposition 1 grant programs to provide affordable labor for projects focused on rivers, lakes, streams, coastal waters and watersheds.

Learn more about CCC Proposition 1 work at <https://ccc.ca.gov/proposition-1>.

## **Proposition 68**

The CCC also received direct Proposition 68 funding to complete climate adaptation and resiliency projects. Organizations may collaborate with a CCC Center to develop a project and apply for CCC Proposition 68 funds.

Learn more about CCC Proposition 68 work at <https://ccc.ca.gov/proposition-68>.

Learn more about the CCC at <https://ccc.ca.gov/>.



# California Rural Water Association (CRWA)

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## **About CRWA**

Incorporated in 1990, California Rural Water Association (CRWA) has emerged as the State's leading association dedicated to providing on-site technical assistance and specialized training for rural water and wastewater systems. Tapping into the expertise of experienced water and wastewater professionals, CRWA's governing Board of Directors, administrative staff, and technical field specialists work in concert to offer CRWA members an expansive range of essential programs and member services.

Whether a system needs help developing a new rate schedule, setting up proper testing methods, understanding those ever-changing and complex government regulations, preparing a Consumer Confidence Report, or updating operator certification requirements, CRWA is ready with assistance.

## ***State Revolving Fund (SRF) Program***

CRWA SRF Specialist Program provides State Water Board-approved utilities statewide including technical assistance; technical, managerial, and financial assessment assistance; capacity development building assistance; as well as planning and construction application assistance to the State revolving fund loan and grant funding program.

## ***USDA Circuit Rider Program (Rural Development)***

CRWA Circuit Rider programs provide a variety of hands-on and management technical assistance. They will specifically assist eligible utilities with the RD Apply application process for the USDA Rural Development Infrastructure Loan and Grant Program.

## ***National Rural Water Association (NRWA)***

CRWA staff also assist rural communities in accessing the Revolving Loan Program featured by NRWA. This is a simple program with a \$100,000 maximum loan amount is typically used for preliminary engineering and funding application costs.



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# Rural Community Assistance Corporation (RCAC)

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The Rural Community Assistance Corporation (RCAC) envisions vibrant, healthy, and enduring rural communities throughout the West.

Founded in 1978, RCAC provides training, technical, and financial resources and advocacy to help rural communities achieve their goals and visions. RCAC provides a wide range of community development services for rural and Native communities, and community-based organizations in 13 western states and Pacific Islands.

## **Loans**

RCAC was certified as a Community Development Financial Institution (CDFI) in 1996 and finances affordable housing, community facilities, utility infrastructure, and small businesses in rural communities. As a certified CDFI, RCAC fills financing gaps and serves unconventional markets.

For more information, contact your local loan officer at:  
<https://www.rcac.org/lending/loan-fund-contacts/>

## **Environmental**

RCAC works with rural water, wastewater, and solid waste systems to make them sustainable. Our environmental services are directed to small, low-income communities in rural areas and Indian country to ensure that they comply with State and federal regulations. RCAC is a Rural Community Assistance Partnership member.

Request technical assistance at:  
<https://www.rcac.org/contact-us/request-for-assistance/>

Learn more about RCAC at: <https://www.rcac.org/>



# California State Library Grants Portal



As part of the [Grant Information Act of 2018 \(Assembly Bill 2252, Stats. 2018, Chapter 318\)](#), the California State Library has created a website ([grants.ca.gov/](https://grants.ca.gov/)) that provides a centralized location to find State grant opportunities. Grant seekers are now able to see all current grant and loan opportunities that are offered on a competitive or first-come basis and can search and filter their results.

State grantmaking agencies input and update their information into prescribed data fields to make all state grant opportunities searchable on [grants.ca.gov](https://grants.ca.gov/). The Grant Information Act requires state agencies to provide summaries of each of their grant or loan opportunities, including, among other items, information about how to apply and links that grant seekers can follow for more details.

The California State Library worked with State agencies and various grant seekers to develop the final site but is also currently looking for feedback and suggestions. To give feedback or suggestions for improving the site, please visit [grants.ca.gov/contact-us/](https://grants.ca.gov/contact-us/).



# Acronyms and Abbreviations

|            |   |
|------------|---|
| ADA        | Americans With Disability Act                               |
| AHSC       | Affordable Housing and Sustainable Communities Program      |
| BRIC       | Building Resilient Infrastructure and Community             |
| CAA        | Emergency Drinking Water/Cleanup and Abatement Account      |
| CAL FIRE   | California Department of Forestry and Fire Prevention       |
| Cal OES    | California Governor's Office of Emergency Services          |
| CalRecycle | California Department of Resources, Recycling, and Recovery |
| CCC        | California Conservation Corps                               |
| CCI        | California Climate Investments                              |
| CCR        | climate change research                                     |
| CDBG       | Community Development Block Grant                           |
| CDFI       | Community Development Financial Institution                 |
| CEQA       | California Environmental Quality Act                        |
| CFCC       | California Financing Coordination Committee                 |
| CGB        | California Great-Basin Region                               |
| CLEEN      | California Lending for Energy and Environmental Needs       |
| CRWA       | California Rural Water Association                          |
| CWSRF      | Clean Water State Revolving Fund                            |
| CVFPB      | Central Valley Flood Protection Board                       |
| DAC        | disadvantaged community                                     |
| DACTI      | disadvantage community and tribal involvement               |
| DCA        | dichloroacetic acid   |
| DCE        | 1,2-dichloroethane  |
| DWFS       | Drinking Water for Schools Grant Program                    |
| DWSRF      | Drinking Water States Revolving Fund                        |
| DWR        | California Department of Water Resources                    |
| EDA        | U.S. Economic Development Administration                    |
| EAA        | economic adjustment assistance                              |

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|       |  |
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| FEMA  | Federal Emergency Management Agency                        |
| FCSP  | Flood Control Subventions Program                          |
| FMA   | flood mitigation assistance                                |
| FMPRA | floodplain management, protection and risk awareness       |
| GHG   | greenhouse gas   |
| GSA   | groundwater sustainability agency                          |
| HCD   | California Department of Housing and Community Development |
| HMA   | Hazard Mitigation Assistance                               |
| HMGP  | Hazard Mitigation Grant Program                            |
| HUD   | Department of Housing and Urban Development                |
| IBank | California Infrastructure and Economic Development Bank    |
| IRWM  | integrated regional water management                       |
| ISRF  | Infrastructure State Revolving Fund                        |
| IUP   | intended use plan  |
| LEA   | local education agencies                                   |
| LED   | light emitting diode                                       |
| LHMP  | local hazard mitigation plan                               |
| MHI   | median household income                                    |
| MTBE  | methyl tere-butyl ether                                    |
| MUSH  | municipalities, universities, schools, and hospitals       |
| NOFA  | notice of funding availability                             |
| NOFO  | notice of funding opportunity                              |
| NPDES | National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System            |
| NPS   | nonpoint source  |
| NRWA  | National Rural Water Association                           |
| O&M   | operations and maintenance                                 |
| OSCF  | Orphan Site Cleanup Fund                                   |



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|                   |   |
|-------------------|---|
| PCE               | perchloroethylene   |
| PF                | principal forgiveness   |
| PDM               | pre-disaster mitigation   |
| PNP               | private nonprofit   |
| POP               | period of performance   |
| PSP               | proposal solicitation package                                     |
| Reclamation       | U.S. Bureau of Reclamation  |
| RCAC              | Rural Community Assistance Corporation                            |
| RMDZ              | recycling market development assistance                           |
| SALC              | Sustainable Agricultural Lands Conservation                       |
| SBFC              | Small Business Finance Center                                     |
| SCAP              | Site Cleanup Subaccount Program                                   |
| SCG               | small community grant   |
| SDAC              | severely disadvantaged community                                  |
| SEARCH            | Special Evaluation Assistance for Rural Communities and Household |
| SGC               | California Strategic Growth Council                               |
| SGM               | sustainable groundwater management                                |
| SRF               | State revolving fund  |
| SWEEP             | Statewide Energy Efficiency Program                               |
| SWGPP             | Stormwater Grant Program  |
| State Water Board | State Water Resources Control Board                               |
| TCC               | transformative climate communities                                |
| TCE               | trichloroethene   |
| USDA              | U.S. Department of Agriculture                                    |
| UST               | underground storage tank  |
| UV                | ultra-violet  |
| WaterSMART        | Sustain and Manage America's Resources for Tomorrow               |
| WRFP              | Water Recycling Funding Program                                   |

# CALIFORNIA FINANCING COORDINATING COMMITTEE (CFCC)

## COMMON FUNDING INQUIRY FORM

**Instructions:** An electronic copy of this form can be obtained at: [www.cfcc.ca.gov](http://www.cfcc.ca.gov)  
 Please provide the information below and e-mail the completed form to: [ibank@ibank.ca.gov](mailto:ibank@ibank.ca.gov)  
 If completing a hard copy of this form, attach responses where applicable and fax to (916) 322-6314.

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| <b>Name of Applicant or Official System Name:</b> | <b>County:</b> |
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**Check the box that best describes the applicant's organization:**

Municipal entity
  Private entity, for profit
  Private entity, nonprofit

**Project OR problem description.** Describe the problem or the need for the project, the purpose of the project, the basic design features of the project and what the project will accomplish. (Attach documentation, if available)

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**Estimated Project Schedule.** Provide a timeline that illustrates the estimated start and completion dates for each major phase or milestone of project development, construction and/or acquisition (including, for example, feasibility study, land acquisition, preliminary engineering, environmental review, final design and construction commencement and completion).

**Financing is needed for (check all that apply):**

Feasibility Study
  Rate Study
  Engineering/Architectural  
 Land Acquisition
  Project Construction and Administration  
 Other, specify: \_\_\_\_\_

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| <b>Estimated Total Project Costs</b> \$ _____   | <b>Estimated amount of funding requested</b> \$ _____ |
| <b>Multiple funding sources anticipated:</b> <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No |   |

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| For water/sewer projects only:<br><br><b>System ID No.:</b> _____ | <b>Service Area Population:</b> _____<br><b>Number of Service Connections:</b> _____<br><b>Estimated Median Household Income of service area:</b> \$ _____ |
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How did you hear about the California Financing Coordinating Committee?

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All correspondence regarding this inquiry will be sent to the individual named below. You will receive a written acknowledgement of the receipt of this inquiry form and be contacted by staff of the appropriate CFCC member agencies to pursue additional assistance.

|                          |                |          |
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| Printed Name of Inquirer | Title          | Date     |
| Mailing Address (street) | City/State     | Zip code |
| ( ) Phone Number         | ( ) FAX Number | Email    |

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| <b>For CFCC Use Only:</b> | <b>Date of Referral to CFCC Member Agencies:</b> | <b>Date Responded to Applicant Inquiry:</b> |
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