Transformative Climate Communities

Creating a healthier, resilient future for San Diego's Historic Barrios

What is the Transformative Climate Communities Program (TCC)?

The State of California has a funding opportunity under the Strategic Growth Council called the Transformative Climate Communities (TCC) program. The TCC funding is meant to build resiliency against climate change in communities most vulnerable to its impacts.

- An unprecedented coalition: More than 12 stakeholders including community, government and philanthropy are applying for $29.5M grant funding within our Historic Barrios, leveraging an additional $14.75M in matching funds.

Potential Award:
$44 million investment
($29.5M from TCC program + $14.75M leverage)

- Community-driven projects: Affordable housing, green spaces, building upgrades and transportation improvements that will lead to a healthier, more vibrant, resilient community.
- The Ask: Match funding and commit to project implementation timelines.

Why Does TCC Matter?

This initiative is community-driven by the people most affected by health and economic burdens. This effort is setting a vision for a healthy, thriving future that will transform the underinvested communities of San Diego's Historic Barrios. This model, along with philanthropic support, can demonstrate a new way of investing in communities.



Building Upgrades



Affordable Housing



Urban Greening



Transportation



Workforce Development



Community Engagement



Displacement Avoidance

Upcoming Key Dates:

April 15: Workshop #2

May 1: Pre-proposal due

June 17: Workshop #3

August 1: Application due

Investment to Date:

- EHC & partners were awarded a $200,000 TCC planning grant in 2019.
- Additional $350k in philanthropic dollars and in-kind support from San Diego Foundation, Cal Endowment and Greenlining Institute to support engagement for proposal.
- $2.8M CalTrans grant for initial build out of Boston Avenue Park.

Project Requirements:

- Must be 5 square miles in San Diego's most disadvantaged communities.
- Projects must begin construction within 2 years and provide GHG reductions.
- 50% leveraged funds, or an additional $15M in matching funds (public or private) committed at the time of application August 1.

How will TCC Benefit our Communities?

Neighborhoods of Barrio Logan + Logan Heights + Sherman Heights + Shelltown + Stockton + Grant Hill + Southcrest



1. Chicano Park Museum Solar & EV Charging
2. Affordable Housing & Community Land Trust
3. Healthy Homes
4. ZEV Buses & Transit Stop Improvements
5. La Vuelta Verde
6. Boston Avenue Park
7. Chollas to Bayshore Connection
8. Urban Greening

CHICANO PARK MUSEUM UPGRADES:

Solar and EV charging stations for La Vuelta Verde- a free, electric shuttle system.

AFFORDABLE HOUSING:

Community Land Trusts (CLT) to secure land, create housing opportunities, and slow displacement.

HEALTHY HOMES PROGRAM:

Home improvements such as solar, appliance replacement, air filters, and lead remediation for healthier, climate-resilient communities.

BUSES & TRANSIT:

Zero-emission bus funding, and transit stop improvements for healthier, reliable transit.

BOSTON AVENUE PARK:

New park with pedestrian freeway overcrossing to increase green spaces and access to them.

CHOLLAS TO BAYSHORE CONNECTION:

Connect Southcrest Trails park to Main St. with path and bike facilities to improve walkability.

URBAN GREENING:

Plant 800 trees and new community gardens to reduce carbon dioxide, provide shade, cooling, and filter air.



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