

Bay REPAIR

Local Community Benefits Fund for Benicia, Richmond and the Surrounding Areas

In May 2024, the Bay Area Air District established the Community Benefits Penalty Funds Policy, which reinvests air quality penalties in communities disproportionately impacted by air pollution. This policy is administered through the Bay REPAIR (Reinvesting Penalties for Air Improvement and Resilience) program.

The **Local Community Benefits Fund** for Benicia, Richmond, and the surrounding areas reinvests penalties and mitigation funds in the specific communities affected by the air quality violations associated with those funds.

The Local Community Benefits Fund program goals are to:

- ✓ Reduce air pollution or mitigate air pollution impacts, improve public health outcomes, and build economic resilience for a just transition away from the harmful effects of a fossil-fuel-based economy
- ✓ Advance integrated projects to holistically meet community needs.
- ✓ Strengthen community-led and collaborative solutions

Local Community Benefits Fund Grant Requirements

Awards from the Local Community Benefits Fund are split into three grant types outlined in the adjacent table. For Opportunity and Catalyst Grants, Lead Applicants must partner with Co-Applicant(s) to carry out their grant activities and deliverables*.

Eligible Lead Applicants include Non-profit organizations, local government agencies, cities, counties, schools, unions and California Native American Tribes

Eligible Co-Applicants include entities listed as Eligible Lead Applicants, for-profit businesses contractors, consultants, and vendors

*No co-applicant requirement for Benicia Catalyst applicants



Overview of Bay REPAIR Funds

AVAILABLE FUNDING SOURCE	As of December 31, 2024	
Regional Community Benefits Fund	\$	20,331,984
Local Community Benefits Fund	\$	75,447,312
Richmond Community Air Quality Fund ¹	\$	20,000,000
Total Project Funds	\$	115,779,297
9% Admin Funds	\$	9,472,678
Total Project & Admin Funding	\$	125,251,974

¹ Funding availability is subject to initiation of projects.

Seed

- Grant size ranges between \$100,000 - \$200,000
- Open to 501(c)(3) non-profit organizations only
- Up to 2-year grant term

Opportunity

- Grant size ranges between \$500,000 - \$5 million
- Up to 3-year grant term

Catalyst

- Grant size ranges between \$10 - \$40 million
- Up to 5-year grant term

Eligible Communities: Funding and Geography

Benicia

Funding Availability: \$60,011,061

Projects located in Benicia are eligible for Seed, Opportunity, and Catalyst Grants.

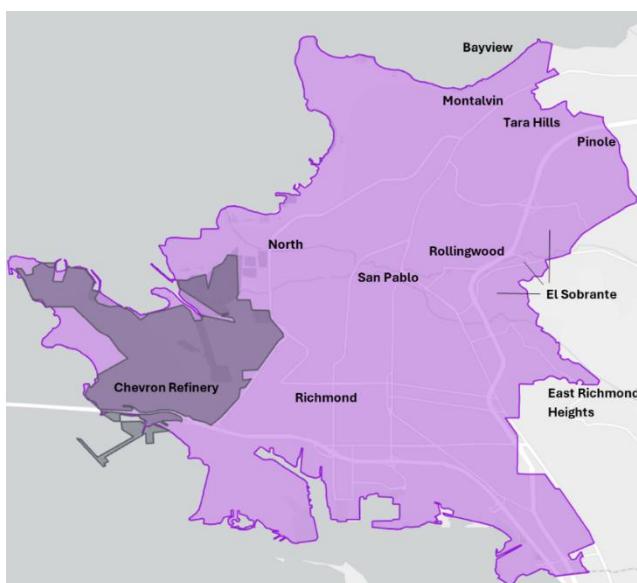
Projects located in following surrounding communities are eligible for Opportunity and Seed Grants:

- Vallejo
- Rodeo
- Crockett
- Port Costa
- Mountain View Neighborhood
- Vine Hill
- Pacheco
- Clyde
- Bay Point
- Pittsburg
- Portions of Concord and Martinez

Richmond

Funding Availability: \$35,744,460

Projects located within the Path to Clean Air Community Emissions Reduction Plan area are eligible for Seed, Opportunity, and Catalyst Grants.



Path to Clean Air (Richmond – North Richmond – San Pablo) Area

Eligible Projects

Projects must advance at least one of the strategies below:

- Reduce Air Pollutants and Improve Health Outcomes
- Build Economic Resilience for a Just Transition

Eligible projects include but are not limited to:

- Indoor air quality improvements
- Energy efficiency
- Air pollution monitoring
- Emissions reduction and exposure strategies
- Urban greening
- Climate resilience initiatives
- Public health strategies focused on vulnerable populations impacted by air pollution.
- Economic recovery and development planning that supports the transition from fossil fuels

Anticipated Timeline

<u>January 29, 2026</u>	→ Grant Application opens
<u>May 1, 2026</u>	→ Application deadline for Benicia Catalyst Grant
<u>May 29, 2026</u>	→ Application deadline for all grants (excluding Benicia Catalyst Grant)
<u>Summer - Fall 2026</u>	→ Grant Awards approved
<u>Late 2026 - 2027</u>	→ Finalize Grant Agreements

For more information about Bay REPAIR including application instructions, Grant Guidelines and Call for Projects documents, visit

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