Local Government Climate Newsletter

The Bay Area Air Quality Management District
17 Projects Funded by the Air District's Climate Protection Grant Program

Congratulations to the recently announced awardees of the Air District's 2018 Climate Protection Grant Program. Funded projects will pilot new, innovative strategies and help to build regional markets for low-GHG technologies such as heat pumps and low-carbon concrete.

Awarded Projects:

San Francisco Department of Environment - Support local small businesses by providing training and incentives to maintain and repair leaking refrigeration equipment.

Bay Area Regional Energy Network - Build a regional market for heat-pump water heaters by addressing key barriers at every point in the supply chain.

Contra Costa County - Use a web-based platform to leverage public engagement and community-based social marketing for household-level GHG reductions.

City of San Jose - Offer incentives, trainings and market adoption strategies to electrify existing buildings, focusing on heat-pump water heaters.

Marin County - Implement a building decarbonization pilot program that provides public education and incentivizes the replacement of natural gas appliances.

San Mateo Housing Endowment and Regional Trust - Develop architectural designs and guidance to facilitate accessory dwelling unit development that is exclusively green.

San Mateo County Community College District - Train and place 22 Climate Corps Fellows to reduce GHGs in buildings across the Bay Area, achieving workforce development and energy efficiency goals.
Marin County - Establish best practices, specifications, and model policies for using low-carbon concrete.

City of Palo Alto Utilities - Develop an appliance recycling program that exceeds the GHG emissions reduction capabilities of local recycling facilities.

Alameda County Waste Management Authority - StopWaste will develop a program that installs contamination reduction technology at food waste generating businesses.

Silicon Valley Clean Energy - Provide incentives and marketing to replace residential natural gas-fired water heaters with electric heat-pump water-heaters.

City of Brisbane - Develop a local ordinance requiring energy audits, benchmarking and retro-commissioning of commercial buildings.

East Bay Clean Energy (with Peninsula Clean Energy) - Research the potential for resilient solar systems on critical facilities and develop a financial model that results in widespread deployment.

Sonoma County, Regional Climate Protection Authority - Develop an electric bike bulk.discount, incentive and marketing program to increase e-bike use in Sonoma County.

Silicon Valley Power - Conduct pilot project to demonstrate the viability of replacing back-up diesel generators with electric energy storage systems at data centers.

City of Palo Alto Utilities - Replace gas wall furnaces with ductless mini-split heat pumps in multifamily buildings.

City of Fremont - Develop technical integration system for pairing solar PV systems with energy storage and electric vehicle infrastructure.
Global Climate Action Summit: Sept 12 - 14

Governor Jerry Brown will be hosting the Global Climate Action Summit in San Francisco, from September 12 - 14. The event will convene leaders and climate stakeholders from across the world to celebrate climate successes and catalyze new commitments and action.

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BAAQMD Webinar: Innovative Tools for Engaging the Public on Local Climate Action, July 25

Join us for a webinar on July 25, from 12 - 1 pm, to learn about the GO CO2 FREE online tool, which engages the public on various GHG reduction activities. The webinar will demonstrate the online tool and its features to help achieve Climate Action.
functions, showcase benefits to local governments, and explain how to participate and utilize the platform.

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2018 CAP Cohort Training Sessions

The Statewide Energy Efficiency Collaborative (SEEC) is offering a no-cost 14-week CAP Cohort Training for local governments interested in developing or updating a climate action plan.

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