

Bay Area Air District: People's Air Grant Program

Project Summaries (Grant Term: January 2027 – January 2029)

Projects are listed alphabetically by awardee. For additional information about the People's Air Grant Program, please visit www.baaqmd.gov/peoplesairgrant.

Awardee	Project Title	Proposed Project Location(s)	Project Description	Total Grant Award
<u>ARISE High School</u>	Fruitvale Air Health Initiative	Fruitvale Neighborhood in East Oakland (Alameda County)	ARISE High School's Fruitvale Air Health Initiative will train bilingual student Community Health Workers from East Oakland's Fruitvale neighborhood to deliver air quality health education and outreach to low-income community residents. The project builds on ARISE's Public & Community Health Pathway and partnerships with La Clínica de la Raza and Tracking California to connect pollution-burdened residents with health information and resources.	\$200,000
<u>Belle Haven Action</u>	Air Filtration Replacement and Extreme Heat Kits	Belle Haven Neighborhood in Menlo Park (San Mateo County)	To combat intensifying climate risks, Belle Haven Action is expanding its Extreme Heat Resilience initiative to protect vulnerable residents from the combined dangers of extreme heat and poor air quality. The project will distribute cooling safety kits, provide high-quality in-home air filtration systems, and offer ongoing maintenance to reduce preventable health crises and strengthen long-term community resilience.	\$150,000
<u>Canal Alliance</u>	Nuestro Canal, Nuestro Futuro 2026 Community-Led Clean Air Project	Canal Neighborhood in San Rafael (Marin County)	Nuestro Canal, Nuestro Futuro (NCNF) 2026 Community-Led Clean Air Project engages residents in San Rafael's Canal neighborhood - an area heavily impacted by air pollution - to identify community-driven clean air and climate resilience solutions. Through bilingual education, leadership development, and	\$200,000

			resident outreach, NCNF builds community participation in air quality planning and advances equitable strategies that improve public health and reduce pollution exposure.	
<u>Charity Cultural Services Center (CCSC)</u>	Chinatown Single Room Occupancy Air Quality Program	Chinatown (San Francisco)	This project (a collaboration with several neighborhood community-based organizations) will bilingually support low-income residents in Chinatown by educating single room occupancy residents about air quality and how to improve it in their homes. We will distribute air purifiers, conduct workshops on air quality, how it affects health and share localized air data to improve health outcomes and increase community awareness.	\$200,000
<u>Climate Resilient Communities</u>	Midpeninsula and South Bay Community Air Quality Project	East San Bruno, East Palo Alto, East San Jose (San Mateo & Santa Clara Counties)	Climate Resilient Communities is partnering with local community-based organizations to advance health equity with an air quality-focused lens. This project empowers vulnerable residents with the tools and education needed to monitor, understand, and mitigate impacts of poor air quality both in their homes and outdoors through strategic intervention designed with their community and health in mind.	\$400,000
<u>Eden Youth and Family Center</u>	Central County Clean Air and Resilience Network	Hayward, San Leandro, and unincorporated Central Alameda County communities (Alameda County)	The Central County Clean Air and Resilience Network will reduce air pollution exposure in impacted communities across Hayward, San Leandro, and unincorporated Alameda County through community air monitoring, multilingual education, youth leadership, high efficiency particulate air (HEPA) filtration resources, and clean-air support. The project will provide local air quality data, equip residents with practical tools to reduce exposure, and support healthier, more resilient neighborhoods.	\$400,000

<u>Glad Tidings Community Development Corporation</u>	Community Air Health Ambassador Initiative	South Hayward and other affected locations (Alameda County)	The Community Air Health Ambassador Initiative will train Community Health Workers, volunteers, faith leaders, and resident ambassadors to educate vulnerable Bay Area communities about the health impacts of air pollution, indoor air quality, wildfire smoke preparedness, and pollution mitigation strategies. Through workshops, resilience hub programming, and culturally responsive education, the project will strengthen environmental health knowledge and reduce pollution-related health disparities.	\$150,000
<u>Healthy Black Families, Inc.</u>	Youth Environmental Justice Leadership & Community Air Monitoring Initiative	South Berkeley/ North Oakland (Alameda County)	Healthy Black Families, Inc. proposes a youth-led environmental justice initiative combining air quality education, resident engagement, and community-driven air monitoring to address disproportionate health impacts of air pollution in low-income communities. Through leadership development, air quality data collection, and community-informed recommendations, youth leaders will educate residents, collaborate with municipal leaders and community partners to advance healthier, more environmentally just neighborhoods.	\$400,000
<u>Latinas Contra Cancer</u>	Community Indoor Air Quality Initiative for Children, Families, and Older Adults	San Jose neighborhoods of Plata Arroyo, Seven Trees, Cassel, and East San Jose (Santa Clara County)	Latinas Contra Cancer (LCC) will address toxic chemicals at childcare sites in the City of San Jose, supporting children, families and workers at the intersection of health equity, environmental justice, and climate resiliency. By training Promotoras to educate community members and childcare facility operators on warning signs, LCC will improve the health of marginalized low-income children and families.	\$400,000

<u>Pars Equality Center</u>	Clean Air & Healthy Homes for Refugee and Immigrant Families	Santa Clara County and Alameda County, with a primary focus on San Jose and Fremont (Alameda County and Santa Clara County)	Pars Equality Center will provide culturally and linguistically tailored air-quality education, ethnic media outreach, and distribution of residential air purifiers for low-income refugee and immigrant communities in Alameda County and Santa Clara County. The project will help vulnerable families, seniors, and newcomers reduce their exposure to air pollution and improve health outcomes through community workshops, multilingual educational campaigns, and support for indoor air quality.	\$150,000
<u>Rising Sun Center for Opportunity</u>	Youth-Led Green House Calls for Air Pollution Mitigation and Education	Environmental justice communities in Concord, Pittsburg, Antioch, Oakland, San Francisco, Santa Rosa, and/or San Jose (Alameda, Contra Costa, San Francisco, Santa Clara, and/or Sonoma Counties)	Rising Sun Center for Opportunity will integrate clean air education and mitigation measures into its Climate Careers program, training youth as clean air ambassadors who will visit hundreds of homes in impacted communities. Each household will receive a portable induction cooktop, air purifier, and door sweeps and weatherstripping to improve indoor air quality, while youth educate residents on air pollution, electrification, and the link between air quality and health.	\$150,000
<u>Visión y Compromiso</u>	Respira Profunda/ Breathe Deep	I-880 corridor including unincorporated San Lorenzo, Cherryland, Hayward, and/or Newark (Alameda County)	Visión y Compromiso will reduce the impact of air pollution by training trusted promotoras in Alameda County to reach vulnerable individuals (pregnant people, parents & caregivers of children 0-5, people with disabilities, seriously ill persons, older adults). Respira Profunda/Breathe Deep will deliver Healthy Air workshops to improve indoor air quality, deliver California Advancing and Innovating Medi-Cal (CalAIM) Asthma Preventive Services to eligible Medi-Cal members, and bridge access to resources.	\$200,000