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**MEMORANDUM**

**Current Grant Opportunities**

For the latest information on grants, Fresno COG member agencies and partnering agencies can register for EfficientGov's GrantFinder database service. Fresno COG has subscribed to this service and is offering free membership to local agencies and partnering agencies. If you or someone from your agency is interested in signing up for this service, or if you have any questions, please contact Melissa Garza at 559-233-4148 ext. 210 or [mgarza@fresnocog.org](mailto:mgarza@fresnocog.org).

EfficientGov offers grant writing assistance and provides real-time, comprehensive, grant information for all federal, state, foundation and corporate grants that are available to municipalities, counties and non-profit agencies. The database is updated daily with new grants as well as important updates to existing grants within the database. Additionally, the service provides for unlimited access to EfficientGov news, articles and the GrantIntel newsletter, which focuses specifically on grant funding.

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**Grant Name: Increased Incentives for Public Fleets in Disadvantaged Communities****Funding Entity:** California Air Resources Board**Funder Type:** State**Grant Category:** Energy, Environment/Parks, Public Works**Funder State:** CA**Deadline(s):** Rolling**Who Can Apply?:** Town, City or County Government**Program Link:**<https://cleanvehiclerebate.org/eng/pfp>**Application Link:**<https://cleanvehiclerebate.org/eng/public-fleet-project/eligibility>**Award Details:**

Rebates of up to \$15,000 for fuel-cell electric vehicles, \$10,000 for battery-electric vehicles, and \$5,250 for plug-in hybrid electric vehicles.

**Matching Requirement?:** No**Summary:**

Administered by CSE for the California Air Resources Board, the Increased Incentives for Public Fleets in Disadvantaged Communities (Public Fleet Pilot Project) offers up to \$15,000 in rebates for the purchase of new, eligible zero-emission and plug-in hybrid light-duty vehicles. The Public Fleet Pilot Project replaces standard CVRP rebates with increased incentives for public agencies operating in California's most vulnerable and pollution-burdened areas. Whether your fleet is planning to acquire an eligible vehicle, has ordered a vehicle, or has already taken delivery of a vehicle, you can apply here to reserve rebate funds. Eligibility is based on the location of the facility where the vehicle will be domiciled and where it will be primarily operated.

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[cvrp@energycenter.org](mailto:cvrp@energycenter.org)**CA Housing & Community Development (HCD): Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Program****Release:** February 2016 (specific date TBD)**Deadline:** May 2016 (specific date TBD)**Amount:** Maximum of \$2,000,000, including all activities except ED OTC, Colonia and Native American.**Match:** 5% match required for PTA grants only**Eligibility:** incorporated cities under 50,000 in population and counties with an unincorporated area population of under 200,000<http://www.hcd.ca.gov/financial-assistance/community-development-block-grant-program/index.html>

This NOFA applies to State CDBG-eligible activities funded under the Economic Development (ED) Set-Aside, Community Development (CD) sub-allocation, Colonia Set-Aside, and Native American Set-Aside. Typical activities funded under each of these predominately benefit low- and moderate-income Californians and include: Business Assistance (BA) Projects and Programs; Microenterprise (ME)

Assistance Programs; Housing Rehabilitation (HR) Programs and Projects; Homeownership Assistance (HA) Programs; Housing Acquisition Projects; Public

**Infrastructure Projects; Public Facility Projects; Public Service Programs; and Planning and Technical Assistance Grants.**

U.S. Department of Commerce (DOC)

**Funder Type:** Federal

**Who Can Apply?:** Town, City or County Government, Non-Profit

**Summary:** These funds will be provided to rural and urban communities in distressed regions to support the implementation of regional economic development. The goal is to spur job creation, leverage private capital investments, and strengthen America's ability to compete in a global marketplace.

Past projects have included funding for water and wastewater projects in hospitals and healthcare facilities, and road infrastructure projects that would support the expansion of healthcare facilities.

**Funding is available for:**

- Public Works Projects
- Water and sewer system improvements
- Industrial parks
- Shipping and logistics facilities
- Workforce training facilities
- Brownfield development
- Telecommunications infrastructure and development facilities

**Economic Adjustment Assistance:**

- Awards funding to projects that have specific solutions for regional economic development. Projects must foster collaboration, create jobs, and attract investment.

A project must be located in a region that meets one (or more) of the following economic distress criteria:

- An unemployment rate that is, for the most recent 24-month period for which data are available, at least one percentage point greater than the national average unemployment rate
- Per capita income that is, for the most recent period for which data are available, 80 percent or less of the national average per capita income
- "Special Need," as determined by EDA and as discussed in section VIII of the funding opportunity announcement

**Entities eligible to apply include:**

- District organizations
- Indian tribes or a consortium of tribes
- States, cities, or other subdivisions of a state
- Institutions of higher education
- Public or private nonprofit organizations

**Award Details:** Generally, the amount of the EDA grant may not exceed 50 percent of the total cost of the project. Projects may receive up to an additional 30 percent, based on the relative needs of the region in which the project will be located. The Public Works and Economic Development Facilities program

offers grants from \$200,000 to \$3,000,000. The Economic Adjustment Assistance program offers grants from \$100,000 to \$3,000,000.

**Matching Requirement?** Yes

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**California Clean Vehicle Rebate Project (CVRP)**

**Administering Authority:** California Air Resources Board

**Grant Category:** Environment/Parks, Transportation

**Funder Type:** State

**Administering State:** CA

**Geographic Coverage:** CA

**Who Can Apply?:** Town, City or County Government, Non-Profit

**Deadline(s):** Rolling

**Summary:** The Air Resources Board (ARB) Clean Vehicle Rebate Project (CVRP) is designed to promote the purchase of battery electric, plug-in hybrid electric, and fuel cell vehicles. Rebates per light-duty vehicle are available for individuals, nonprofits, government entities, and business owners who purchase or lease an eligible vehicle.

**Award Details:** Rebates of up to \$5,000 per light-duty vehicle are available for individuals, nonprofits, government entities, and business owners who purchase or lease an eligible vehicle. Rebates are available until all funds are exhausted.

**Total Funding Available:** \$12,500,000.00

**Matching Requirement?:** No

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**CA Targeted Car Sharing-Mobility Options in Disadvantaged Communities Pilot Project**

**Note:** This is an estimated deadline. Check back soon for updates!

**Administering Authority:** California Air Resources Board

**Grant Category:** Environment/Parks, Transportation

**Funder Type:** State

**Administering State:** CA

**Geographic Coverage:** CA

**Who Can Apply?:** Town, City or County Government, Non-Profit

**Deadline(s):** 04/07/2016

**Summary:** All projects funded from GGRF must reduce greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions. The overarching goal of this project is to also achieve co-benefit criteria pollutant emission reductions through the introduction of advanced clean car sharing fleets or other mobility options including, but not limited to, advanced technology vanpooling and shuttles into the State's most disadvantaged communities. These communities are identified by the California Environmental Protection Agency's California Communities Environmental Health Screening Tool (CalEnviroScreen 2.0) that assesses all census tracts in the State to identify areas disproportionately burdened by and vulnerable to multiple sources of pollution.

The Car Sharing Pilot Project will result in immediate emission reduction benefits and allow residents of these communities to become familiar with advanced clean vehicle technologies without the responsibility of car ownership costs. The project will also gather data that could help support future larger-scale advanced technology car sharing projects.

**Award Details:** Funding of up to \$2.5 Million for the project is provided by Low Carbon Transportation Investments, which is funded from the Greenhouse Gas Reduction Fund (GGRF). This funding is available for one or multiple projects. No minimum match funding is required.

**Total Funding Available:** \$2,500,000.00

**Matching Requirement?:** No

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### **Zero-Emission Truck & Bus Pilot Commercial Deployment Projects**

Note: This grant's deadline is rapidly approaching. Apply soon!

Administering Authority: California Air Resources Board

**Funder Type:** State

**Administering State:** CA

**Who Can Apply?:** Town, City or County Government, Non-Profit, PreK-12 Educational Agency

**Deadline(s):** 01/29/2016

**Summary:** This project is intended to help accelerate the deployment of a variety of commercially available medium- and heavy-duty zero-emission vehicles by placing a significant number of zero- and near zero emission buses and freight and delivery trucks in strategic truck and bus "hubs." This project will provide benefits to disadvantaged communities by ensuring that funds are awarded to pilot projects located within, or directly benefitting, disadvantaged communities across the state. Examples of types of organizations that lend well to this project concept include transit agencies, school districts, shuttle operators, and companies that offer delivery and hauling services.

Zero-emission truck and bus hubs (or advanced technology clusters) support large vehicle deployments with shared infrastructure, mechanics, spare parts, workforce training, and marketing and will ultimately drive down per-vehicle costs. The pilot projects will reduce greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions and provide economic, environmental, and public health co-benefits to disadvantaged communities, while demonstrating the practicality and economic viability of wide-spread adoption of a variety of zero-emission medium- and heavy-duty vehicle technologies. All work must be completed by April 1, 2019.

**Award Details:** The Grantee is required to match a minimum of 25 percent of the total project cost.

**Total Funding Available:** \$83,000,000.00

**Matching Requirement?** Yes

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**California Cleanup and Abatement Account (CAA) Interim Emergency Drinking Water**

**Administering Authority:** California State Water Resources Control Board's (State Water Board)

**Funder Type:** State

**Administering State:** CA

**Geographic Coverage:** CA

**Who Can Apply?:** Town, City or County Government, Non-Profit

**Deadline(s):** Rolling

**Summary:** On March 1, 2014, Governor Brown approved a \$687.4-million emergency drought relief package to take effect immediately. As a result of the Governor's action, the State Water Resources Control Board (State Water Board) approved \$4 million in funding from the Cleanup and Abatement Account (CAA) to provide interim replacement drinking water for economically disadvantaged communities with contaminated water supplies.

In an effort to distribute funds as quickly and efficiently as possible, the State Water Board will coordinate with the Regional Water Quality Control Boards, the California Department of Public Health (CDPH) district offices, the Office of Emergency Services, and other stakeholders (e.g. environmental justice groups, community assistance groups, etc.) to identify those disadvantaged communities that are most at-risk and would benefit from financial assistance.

**Eligible Entities:** Public Agencies; Not-for-Profit Water Districts; Not-for-Profit Organizations; Tribal Governments

**Eligible Projects (included, but not limited to):** Bottled Water; Bottled Water; Point of Use Devices (for example, Filtration); Hauled Water; Wellhead Treatment; Planning

**Award Details:** \$4 million in available funds.

**Total Funding Available:** \$4,000,000.00

**Matching Requirement:** No

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**California Safe Drinking Water Bond Law of 1988**

**Administering Authority:** California Department of Water Resources

**Funder Type:** State

**Administering State:** CA

**Who Can Apply? :** Town, City or County Government

**Deadline(s):** Rolling

**Summary:** The Safe Drinking Water Bond Law of 1988 is a program that provides Loans and Grants to water systems with projects that help to meet Safe Drinking Water Standards. Such projects include planning, water conservation, water loss detection, capital improvements, and corrosion control. With limited funds remaining it is our goal to try and help small disadvantaged communities as much as possible.

**Eligible Applicants:**

\* Private Systems: Any partnership, corporation, association, tribe, or other entity or political subdivision of the state which owns or operates a domestic water system.

\* Public Agencies: Any city, county, district, joint powers authority, or other political subdivision of the state which owns or operates a domestic water system.

Eligible Projects: Projects that:

\* Investigate and identify alternatives for system improvements

\* Improve the applicant's drinking water to ensure it is pure, wholesome, and drinkable

These improvements may include, but need not be limited to:

\* leak detection

\* repair programs

\* valve repair and replacement

\* meter calibration and replacement

\* physical improvements to achieve corrosion control

\* distribution and installation of water conservation devices and fixtures

\* other capital improvement projects which can be demonstrated to conserve water in a cost-effective manner

**Award Details:** Total Program Funds: \$75 million, appropriated through the Legislature. There is approximately \$6.2 Million remaining for current/new projects under this Proposition. Match funding is required, but ratio/percentage of total project cost is not stated on grant program webpage.

**Total Funding Available:** \$6,200,000.00

**Matching Requirement?:** Yes

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**California Safe Drinking Water Program**

**Administering Authority:** California Department of Water Resources

**Funder Type:** State

**Administering State:** CA

**Geographic Coverage:** CA

**Who Can Apply?:** Town, City or County Government

**Deadline(s):** Rolling

**Summary:** The Safe Drinking Water Program provides funding to test new water treatment technologies that remove specific contaminants from the State's drinking water supply. Funding is also available to communities that plan to disinfect drinking water with ultraviolet technology or ozone treatment methods.

**Eligible Applicants:** Eligible applicants are public water systems under the regulatory jurisdiction of the State Water Resources Control Board and other public entities.

**Eligible Projects:** Chapter 6(b) - Pilot and demonstration projects for treatment or removal of the specific contaminants; and Chapter 6(c) - Drinking water disinfecting projects using ultraviolet technology and ozone treatment.

**Award Details:** Total Program Funds: \$50 million, appropriated through the Legislature. Funding 2015/2016: \$5 million available in this cycle for the two subchapters combined. Applicants may need to match the State grant amount depending on their disadvantaged status or deemed a Small Water System.

**Total Funding Available:** \$50,000,000.00

**Matching Requirement?:** Yes

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### **Park Partnership Grants (California)**

**Administering Authority:** California State Parks Foundation

**Funder Type:** Foundation

**Administering State:** CA

**Geographic Coverage:** CA

**Who Can Apply?:** Town, City or County Government, Non-Profit

**Deadline(s):** Rolling

**Summary:** When 70 parks were facing imminent closure in early 2012, CSPF began offering Park Partnership Grants to assist nonprofit and governmental organizations that stepped forward to make certain our state parks would remain open. Grants opportunities have continued to be offered to not only keep parks available, but to look beyond the crisis of keeping parks open and begin to define a new future for the state park system. CSPF applauds the efforts of grantee organizations, and their dedicated staff and volunteers who work tirelessly on behalf of state parks. Some grant recipients have taken over direct operation of entire parks. Other grantees have repaired foot bridges, installed barbeque grills in campgrounds, renovated dilapidated bathrooms, opened new trails and posted new trail signage, upgraded plumbing, cleared out hazardous trees and brush, re-opened visitor centers and launched new interpretive, educational and stewardship programs to bring visitors into our parks. We are proud to be a partner in their important work.

**Award Details:** To date, CSPF has awarded over \$1.2 million dollars through four rounds of grants.

**Matching Requirement?** No

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