

Submit Your Transformative Projects

Fresno COG Seeks Project Applications to Help Further Housing and Climate Goals

The Fresno Council of Governments (Fresno COG) is set to receive \$13 million in Regional Early Action Planning (REAP 2.0) funding from the Department of Housing and Community Development (HCD). Fresno COG's member agencies are eligible to apply for REAP 2.0 funds for capital improvement projects that promote infill affordable housing near high-quality transit. Community-based organizations and developers have the opportunity to participate as subconsultants to Fresno COG's member agencies.

Project Eligibility Requirements

To receive funds, projects must meet HCD's strict criteria and be transformative in nature. They must also demonstrate adherence to all REAP 2.0 program objectives:

- Accelerate infill housing development
- Reduce Vehicle Miles Traveled (VMT)
- Increase housing supply at all affordability levels
- Affirmatively further fair housing
- Facilitate the implementation of adopted regional and local plans

How to Get Involved

Apply for Funding

As of October 1, 2023, Fresno COG has released the application for funding. Please visit the Fresno COG REAP 2.0 webpage [here](#) to learn more, access the application and find supplemental resources to help you prepare your project submittal.

Join Our Scoring Committee

Applications will be evaluated by a panel of affordable housing stakeholders representing communities not seeking funding via a transparent, inclusive, and equitable process. If you are interested in serving on the panel, please click [here](#) to join the interest list.

Timeline of Process

- **October 1, 2023**
Project Application Release
- **December 15, 2023**
Project Applications Due
- **December 18, 2023
– January 12, 2024**
Application Scoring
- **January 17, 2024**
Draft Project Funding
Recommendation
List Release
- **February 9, 2024**
Recommendation
goes to Fresno COG
Committee for Approval
- **February 29, 2024**
Recommendation goes
to Fresno COG Policy
Board for Approval

Funded REAP 2.0 Project Examples

The case studies below provide examples of transformative projects that have been funded in other jurisdictions.

City of Rancho Cordova: Mills Crossing

This \$140 million mixed used development will bring housing adjacent to the light rail, and the larger work includes improvements to access the system. With this type of infrastructure investment, this project is expected to tilt the corridor toward market readiness and serve as a catalyst for development in other suburban commercial corridors.



Funding Award: \$5,486,000 (Sacramento Area Council of Governments REAP 2.0 Program)

City of Goleta: San Jose Creek Multiuse Trail

Planned to be approximately 3-miles-long, the San Jose Creek Multipurpose Path will provide regional connectivity by removing the barriers to active transportation, connecting disadvantaged communities to key destinations, and providing a separate, dedicated non-motorized path between areas to the north and south.



Funding Award: \$734,933 (Santa Barbara County Association of Governments REAP 2.0 Funding Program)

City of Santa Maria: Downtown Revitalization Infrastructure Improvements

The City of Santa Maria seeks to make improvements needed to catalyze development in its urban core, including increased sewer capacity and multimodal improvements to facilitate high-density residential construction. These improvements also include the construction of a bus rapid transit station, increasing accessibility to an existing pedestrian bridge, pedestrian improvements and traffic calming improvements.



Funding Award: \$2.5 million (Santa Barbara County Association of Governments REAP 2.0 Funding Program)

