

## **BAY AREA AIR QUALITY MANAGEMENT DISTRICT**

### **RESOLUTION No. 2024 - 08**

#### **Resolution Authorizing the Bay Area Air Quality Management District to Participate in the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency's Community Change Grants Program in Partnership with the Alameda County Community Food Bank.**

WHEREAS, the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) opened a funding opportunity on November 21, 2023, entitled the Environmental and Climate Justice Community Change Grants program (CCG Program) to support comprehensive community and place-based approaches to redressing environmental and climate injustices for communities facing legacy pollution, climate change, and persistent disinvestment;

WHEREAS, the Alameda County Community Food Bank (ACCFB) is a private nonprofit regional food bank founded in 1985 and currently serves an estimated 400,000 people annually - one in four Alameda County residents - through its network of 400+ partner agencies, emergency partners, and direct distribution sites including food pantries, shelters, soup kitchens, childcare centers, faith-based organizations, and afterschool programs;

WHEREAS, the Bay Area Air Quality Management District (Air District) is committed to supporting the transition of vehicle fleets to zero-emission and has effectively administered more than \$100 million in projects over the past 10 years to support the deployment of zero-emission medium- and heavy-duty vehicles and associated infrastructure;

WHEREAS, the ACCFB is interested in applying to the CCG Program to fund the replacement of its diesel fleet with zero emission vehicles over 3 years starting in 2025 at a cost of up to \$14 million (Project);

WHEREAS, ACCFB has asked the Air District to serve as its statutory partner for the CCG Program application and Project;

WHEREAS, in its role as ACCFB's statutory partner, should EPA fund the Project, the Air District will 1) participate on an advisory committee; 2) calculate emissions reductions to determine the greenhouse gas and criteria pollutant reduction benefits achieved by the Project; 3) connect ACCFB with electric vehicle manufacturers through email introductions and advise on procurement process and timeline; 4) connect ACCFB with other entities that can share their experience on the process of electrifying their fleet; and 5) develop a white paper to disseminate lessons learned for the benefit of other community organizations who are interested in electrifying their fleet;

WHEREAS, in its role as ACCFB's statutory partner, should EPA fund the Project, the Air District will be compensated as a subgrantee up to \$300,000 for the aforementioned work;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, the Board of Directors hereby approves the Air District's participation as a statutory partner for ACCFB's CCG Program Project;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the Board of Directors approves the acceptance of EPA funds as a subgrantee, if ACCFB, as the lead applicant, and the Air District, as ACCFB's statutory partner, are awarded funding from the CCG Program for the Project; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Board of Directors hereby authorizes the Executive Officer/Air Pollution Control Officer to accept, obligate, and execute all agreements and any amendments thereto that are necessary to implement and carry out the purposes of this resolution.

The foregoing resolution was duly and regularly introduced, passed and adopted at a regular meeting of the Board of Directors of the Bay Area Air Quality Management District on the Motion of DIRECTOR GONZALEZ, seconded by DIRECTOR CARLSON, on the 2<sup>nd</sup> day of OCTOBER, 2024, by the following vote of the Board:

AYES: MARGARET ABE-KOGA, BRIAN BARNACLE, KEN CARLSON, NOELIA CORZO, JOELLE GALLAGHER, JOHN GIOIA, JUAN GONZALEZ, ERIN HANNIGAN, DAVID HAUBERT, LYNDY HOPKINS, DAVINA HURT, OTTO LEE, SERGIO LOPEZ, RAY MUELLER, MARK ROSS, GABE QUINTO, KATIE RICE, MARK SALINAS, VICKI VEENKER, SHAMANN WALTON, STEVE YOUNG.

NOES: NONE.

ABSTAIN: NONE.

ABSENT: TYRONE JUE, NATE MILEY.

ATTEST:



Davina Hurt

Chairperson of the Board of Directors



Marcy Hiratzka  
Clerk of the Boards