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The Bay Area Air Quality Management District

# Local Government Climate Newsletter

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If you are a local government working on a climate- or air quality-related plan or project, we'd love to chat about how we can help support you. Contact us at [planning@baaqmd.gov](mailto:planning@baaqmd.gov).

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## AIR DISTRICT UPDATES

### Regional Comprehensive Climate Action Plan Development Beginning Soon

# Bay Area Regional Climate Action Planning Initiative

To reduce the Bay Area's contributions to global climate change and create a healthier breathing environment, the Air District is creating a regional Comprehensive Climate Action Plan (CCAP) with funding from the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency's [Climate Pollution Reduction Grant \(CPRG\) program](#). The CPRG program enabled the Air District to launch the Bay Area's first region-wide climate action planning effort, the [Bay Area Regional Climate Planning \(BARCAP\)](#) initiative, including the CCAP. The CCAP will provide a roadmap for meeting near- and long-term GHG reduction targets by reducing GHG emissions and enhancing carbon sinks from all sectors of the economy in the Northern and Central Bay Area region. It will leverage the extensive ongoing climate work being done at the local level across the region to develop a set of feasible, actionable, and broadly supported strategies to respond to a changing climate that are cross-jurisdictional and regional in nature, benefit frontline communities, and position the Bay Area well for future implementation funding. This process will build upon the [Priority Climate Action Plan \(PCAP\)](#) and other important work, including local climate action plans and related regional plans (e.g., Plan Bay Area 2050+).

Engagement for the CCAP will begin in early Fall 2024. [The website](#) will soon be updated with more information, so stay tuned.

# Vehicle Miles Traveled Data Portal Webinar



On June 17, 2024, the Air District and MTC hosted a walkthrough webinar to explain version 2.0 of the [Vehicle Miles Traveled Data Portal](#). Jurisdictions in the Bay Area will find this site useful for developing and updating their greenhouse gas inventories, supporting climate planning activities, tracking progress, and understanding their community's transportation emissions within the broader context of the region. The data provided in this portal is consistent with the travel outcomes associated with MTC's long-range transportation plan. A recording of the [VMT Data Portal Walkthrough Webinar](#) is available now on the Air District's [VMT Data Portal webpage](#).

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## Local Government Resource Library

# Resource Library

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View models, guidance, and tools to help local governments take catalytic action – in partnership with disproportionately overburdened communities – to transform the region into an equitable, healthy, and climate-safe place for all.

Explore our full range of resources to support local governments—featuring data tools, models, guidance on plans, policy support, and funding options.

## Local Government Resources

SEARCH & FILTERS ▲ Collapse to hide search or filter options

Search

Topics

Type

CLEAR SEARCH & FILTERS

	Resource Name/URL	Topics	Type
+	<a href="#">2017 Clean Air Plan: Spare the Air, Cool the Climate</a>	Clean Air Plan	Policy and Plan Development
+	<a href="#">Air Quality Standards and Attainment Status</a>	Clean Air Plan	Data and Mapping Tools

The Air District recently released a [resource library](#) which compiles all its current air quality planning and climate-related resources for local governments. This resource library is meant to serve as a one-stop shop to help local governments take catalytic action – in partnership with disproportionately overburdened communities – to transform the region into an equitable, healthy, and climate-safe place for all. The library includes a search and filter function allowing users to search the catalog of 56 unique and valuable tools. Tools are organized by six distinct topic areas: Clean Air Plan, CEQA Support, Clean Buildings, Climate Planning, Clean Transportation, and Healthy and Equitable Communities; and by five tool types: Data and Mapping Tools, Funding, Healthy and Equitable Communities, Implementation, and Policy and Plan Development. [Explore the tool here.](#)

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## AIR DISTRICT FUNDING

### Clean Cars for All Program



**CLEAN CARS  
FOR ALL**



The Air District's [Clean Cars for All program](#) (CCFA) remains open to the entire Bay Area within the Air District's jurisdiction, with more than \$28 million in California Air Resources Board funding available. CCFA now offers up to \$12,000 for income-qualified residents to retire older, more polluting vehicles (vehicle model years 2007 and older) and replace them with a new or used hybrid, plug-in hybrid, electric or fuel cell vehicle, or receive a prepaid transit card or e-bike and bike accessories. Additionally, up to \$2,000 is available for home charging equipment when purchasing a plug-in hybrid or electric vehicle. Find more information on the [program page](#).

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## NEWS AND RESOURCES

### **California IBank's Anticipated Financial Products for Climate Infrastructure**



California IBank, in collaboration with the State Treasurer’s Office and jointly serving as California’s “Green Bank,” recently released a [document](#) summarizing the proposed financial products IBank plans to offer in California’s market for climate infrastructure. Pending finalization, they anticipate offering the following products at the launch of the program under the National Clean Investment Fund:

- A Climate Investments Bridge Loan product: provides bridge financing for public, private, and non-profit sector borrowers seeking to utilize anticipated incentives, such as utility and state agency rebates, federal clean energy tax credits, and reimburse grant funds, to finance project costs
- A Climate Loan Guarantee Product: enrolled lenders would receive a partial guarantee on NCIF-eligible loans
- A Climate Loan Participation product: lenders would submit loans to IBank for the purchase of a participation of a loan

Eligible priority project sectors include distributed energy generation and storage, net-zero emissions buildings, and zero-emission transportation. IBank expects to add more categories over time.

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## FEDERAL FUNDING

### USHUD Office of Lead Hazard Control and Healthy Homes Opportunities



U.S. Department of  
Housing and Urban Development

The U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development's (HUD) Office of Lead Hazard Control and Healthy Homes (OLHCHH) is currently funding several [grant opportunities](#) open to local governments to develop cost-effective ways to reduce lead-based paint hazards. Open grant opportunities include:

- [The Lead and Healthy Homes Technical Studies](#) programs are funded to improve knowledge of housing-related health and safety dangers and to improve knowledge of lead-based paint related health risks. The deadline to apply is **August 6, 2024**.
- [The Healthy Homes and Weatherization Cooperation Demonstration](#) funds health and energy efficiency interventions in low-income households. The estimated deadline to apply is **August 13, 2024**.
- [The Lead Hazard Reduction Grant Program](#) aims to protect children under six from lead poisoning by assisting governments in engaging cost-effective, capacity building programs. The deadline to apply is **August 19, 2024**.

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### USDOT Reconnecting Communities Pilot (RCP) Program



## U.S. Department of Transportation

Funded through the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act, the U.S. Department of Transportation (USDOT) Office of Under Secretary for Policy, is requesting applications for the [Reconnecting Communities Pilot \(RCP\)](#) discretionary grant program. The program is offering \$607 million in competitive funding to support reconnection of communities divided by transportation infrastructure – with a priority on helping disadvantaged communities improve access to basic needs. Funding is available for planning, capital construction, and technical assistance, and the Department will prioritize applications that focus on equitable development and restoration. The deadline to apply is **September 30, 2024**. Find additional information on the [RCP website](#).

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## USDOE Energy Efficiency and Conservation Block Grant (EECBG) Program



The U.S. Department of Energy (USDOE)'s [Energy Efficiency and Conservation Block Grant \(EECBG\) Program](#) is designed to assist states, local governments, and Tribes in implementing strategies to reduce energy use, to reduce fossil fuel emissions, and to improve energy efficiency. EECBG provides



\$550 million in formula funding for a wide variety of activities. The application deadline for local governments has been extended to **Oct 31, 2024**. Find more details on the [program page](#).

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