

BAY AREA AIR QUALITY MANAGEMENT DISTRICT

***James Cary Smith Community
Grants 2019 Cycle
Informational Webinar***

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Community Grants Program Overview

- Grant program was named after former Community Outreach Manager Jim Smith who passed away from ALS in 2015.
- Primary goal is to support community-based solutions to address air pollution
- This is the 5th cycle of the program



Current Funding Cycle

- \$25,000 per project
- \$250,000 available for 2019 cycle
- Funding priorities for projects that :
 - Are located in AB 617 Communities or address environmental justice issues.
 - Promote non-technical activities related to air quality education and engagement.



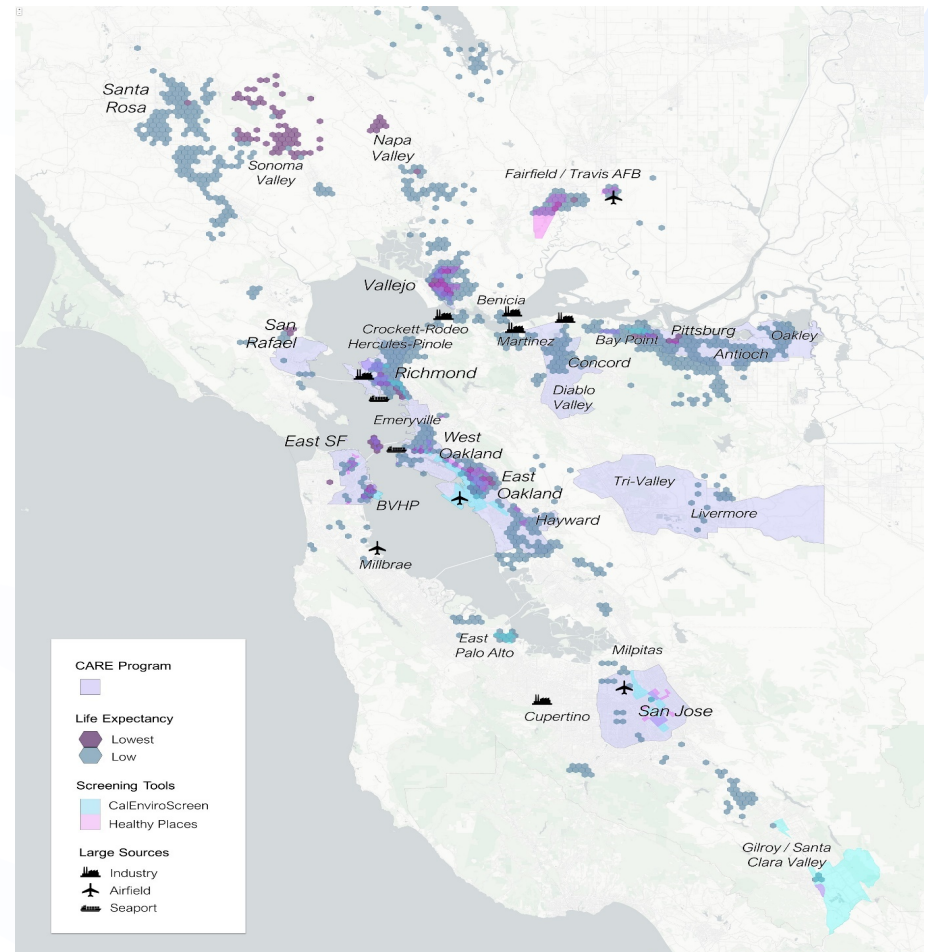
Priority Funding Criteria

Communities highly impacted by air pollution

➤ AB 617 communities:

West Oakland, Richmond/San Pablo Area, Vallejo, Pittsburg/Bay Point Area, East Oakland/San Leandro Area, Eastern San Francisco Area, Tri-Valley Area, San Jose

➤ Projects that address an environmental justice need.



Some Examples of Eligible Projects

- Non-technical air quality educational campaigns (such as Spare the Air Idle Free Bay Area campaigns at multiple schools)
- School or community-led tree planting projects
- Neighborhood level urban greening projects
- Active transportation programming in areas of high air pollution
- Community environmental justice education and outreach work



Proposed Timeline

Tentative Dates	Action
April 15, 2019	Release of Program Guidelines / Call for Applications
June 7, 2019	Applications due
July 8, 2019	Grantees notified
August-September 2019	Grant agreements in place
September 2019-December 2020	Execute work
December 31, 2020	Final reports due



Frequently Asked Questions

- **Who can apply?**
 - Non-profit organizations, community based organizations, faith-based organizations, and public schools
- **Can this funding be used to purchase air sensors for educational purposes?**
 - *This grant cannot be used to fund air quality sensors. This funding is for non-technical activities.*
- **Can this funding be used to purchase incentives ?**
 - *Yes, but this should not be the entirety of your budget proposal. In the past we have funded ~1/3 of the total amount of the grant on incentives but these were linked to the overall proposal and main goals of the grant.*
- **Can my organization apply even if we're not located in an AB 617 Community?**
 - *Yes. You can still apply for funding under this grant as long as your project addresses an environmental justice issue.*



Questions

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