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Power Up Your Community: Learn About Funding Opportunities and How To Apply For A CPUC Clean Energy Grant

SAN FRANCISCO, January 9, 2024 – The California Public Utilities Commission (CPUC) will hold a webinar to demystify the application process for its new Clean Energy Access (CEA) Grant Program. With grants reaching up to \$500,000, this initiative is tailored to support projects that enhance access to, or education about, the CPUC's clean energy programs. The expert-led panel, featuring application evaluators and clean energy program specialists, will provide a comprehensive walkthrough of the application process, empowering participants to take advantage of the full potential of this innovative opportunity. Community-based organizations, including 501(c)(3) entities, California Native American Tribes, and tribal entities are among the groups eligible to participate in the grant program.

The CEA Grant Program is part of the CPUC's Equity and Access Grant Program, which launched in the summer of 2023. The new program aims to empower tribes and community-based organizations across California by supporting projects that actively engage them in CPUC processes and promote clean energy programs.

WHEN: February 7, 2024, 10 a.m. - Noon

WHAT: The CEA Grant Program will award grants up to \$500,000 for projects that enhance access to or education about the CPUC's clean energy programs including, Microgrid Incentive Program (MIP), Self-Generation Incentive Program (SGIP), and Technology and Equipment for Clean Heating Initiative (TECH). These initiatives provide substantial financial support for developing microgrids, battery backup in vulnerable communities, and incentives for home electrification. For assistance requests related to the CEA Grant Program, please email capacitygrants@cpuc.ca.gov.

WHERE: Remote access via WebEx or phone:

- Attendees should register in advance of the webinar. Video and call-in options will be provided through email after registration.
- WebEx registration link: Register Here

KEY HIGHLIGHTS

- **Insightful Presentations:** Understand the purpose of the grants and how CPUC's clean energy programs can benefit your community.
- **Expert Guidance:** Application evaluators and clean energy program experts will provide a detailed overview of the application process.
- Interactive Q&A Session: Get your questions answered and gain clarity on specific details.

SPECIALIZED ACCOMMODATIONS

If specialized accommodations are required to attend, such as non-English or sign language interpreters, please contact the CPUC's Public Advisor's Office at public.advisor@cpuc.ca.gov or toll-free at 866-849-8390 at least five business days in advance of the event.

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