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CPUC-Approved Grants for New Clean Energy Initiative Coming to Los Angeles County

SAN FRANCISCO, April 3, 2025 – The California Public Utilities Commission (CPUC) today announced the approval of new grants for community-based organizations (CBOs) to conduct outreach to Los Angeles County consumers to increase awareness of building decarbonization and electrification technologies and to help customers access financial incentives for electric appliances. CBOs located in the Aliso Canyon and San Fernando Valley areas will be prioritized in the application process.

The Clean Energy Access (Phase 2): Los Angeles County Technology for Equipment and Clean Heating (TECH) Grant will provide \$2 million in funding for CBOs conducting outreach and education on the TECH initiative in Los Angeles County. The TECH Initiative was established under Senate Bill 1477 in 2018 to provide heat pump incentives and support statewide efforts to reduce greenhouse gas emissions through building electrification. The grant program approved today will directly support outreach efforts required by Assembly Bill 157: building decarbonization, healthy homes, electrification technologies, and addressing health-related impacts. CBOs may apply for grants of up to \$200,000 through the competitive application process.

"This grant, part of the CPUC's Equity and Access Grant Program, will serve to connect underresourced ratepayers in Los Angeles County and the Aliso Canyon Disaster Area through the Technology for Equipment and Clean Heating Initiative that will assist in decarbonizing their homes, improve indoor air quality, and lower their energy bills," said Commissioner Darcie L. Houck.

Upcoming Webinar

To support interested CBO applicants, the CPUC will host an informational webinar on the Clean Energy Access-Los Angeles County Technology Grant Program:

• When: April 23, 2025, 11 a.m. - Noon

• Location: Online (WebEx)

• Advance Registration: Register here

Background

The CPUC's Clean Energy Access Grant Account of the Equity and Access Grant Program was designed to enhance participation in CPUC proceedings and facilitate investments in clean energy, transportation, and communication services for Environmental and Social Justice communities. Initially funded through the Budget Act of 2022 (Assembly Bill 179), the program awarded more than \$1.5 million in grants to support public participation and community engagement efforts. The Clean Energy Access-Los Angeles County Technology Grant Program provides continued support for community-driven clean energy initiatives.

The CPUC remains dedicated to promoting equitable access to clean energy and providing resources to communities disproportionately affected by environmental and economic disparities.

More Information

- Proposal approved
- Webinar registration

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