

Affordable Housing and Sustainable Communities (AHSC)

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Program Overview

Program Vision:

The Affordable Housing and Sustainable Communities (AHSC) Program funds infill projects that reduce **Greenhouse Gas (GHG)** emissions and **Vehicle Miles Traveled (VMT)** through sustainable land use, housing, and transportation practices.



What does AHSC fund?

- **AHD: Affordable Housing Developments**
 - Rental Projects (loan)
 - Homeownership Projects (grant)
- **HRI: Housing-Related Infrastructure**
 - Infrastructure improvements as required as Condition of Approval
 - Factory built housing components
 - On-site energy storage (battery arrays)
- **STI: Sustainable Transportation Infrastructure**
 - Transit, Bikeways, Sidewalks, Crosswalks, Curb Ramps Bike Parking, Bus Shelters, Urban Greening, Lighting
- **PGM: Programs (3 years)**
 - Active Transportation Programs, Transit Ridership Programs, Air Pollution Reduction Programs, Workforce Development Programs, Low-Income Car Share, Tenant Legal Counseling



Eligible Active Transportation Elements

Partner with a developer to implement STI and/or PGM project elements such as:

- New or improved walkways/bikeways that improve mobility and access of pedestrians/cyclists
- Repaving and road reconstruction (where the new or improved walkway and bikeway is installed)
- Streetscape improvements (e.g., lighting, signage, wayfinding markers, etc.)
- Street crossing enhancements such as new or improved pedestrian crossings or over-crossings, accessible ramps, and pedestrian signals
- Bike sharing infrastructure and fleet
- Street furniture (e.g., benches, shade structures, etc.)
- Publicly accessible bicycle parking or repair kiosks
- Bicycle carrying devices on public transit



Resources

SGC Website

- Past & Current Program Guidelines
- Quantification Methodology
- Past Project Fact Sheets & Awards
- Workshop Recordings
- Request for Technical Assistance

Starting point: sgc.ca.gov/programs/ahsc/

Questions: ahsc@sgc.ca.gov



Clean Mobility Options Voucher Pilot Program (CMO)

and

Sustainable Transportation Equity Project (STEP)

Joey Juhasz-Lukomski, Shared-Use Mobility Center

CMO

Improve under-resourced communities' access to clean mobility options that are safe, reliable, and affordable

- CMO has funded 36 Community Transportation Needs Assessments to evaluate transportation gaps and identify mobility challenges, preferences and priorities
- There are currently nine bikeshare projects funded by CMO in Redding, Rialto, Stockton, Huron, Oakland, Fresno and San Pedro, San Jose and Santa Barbara.
 - Project models include docked and free floating bikeshare, and bike libraries



CMO Overview



Two types of Voucher Funding

- Mobility Project Vouchers
- Community Transportation Needs Assessment Vouchers

Capacity Building

- Toolkits and Resources
- Peer exchange through the Clean Mobility Equity Alliance Network
- Ongoing, inclusive training

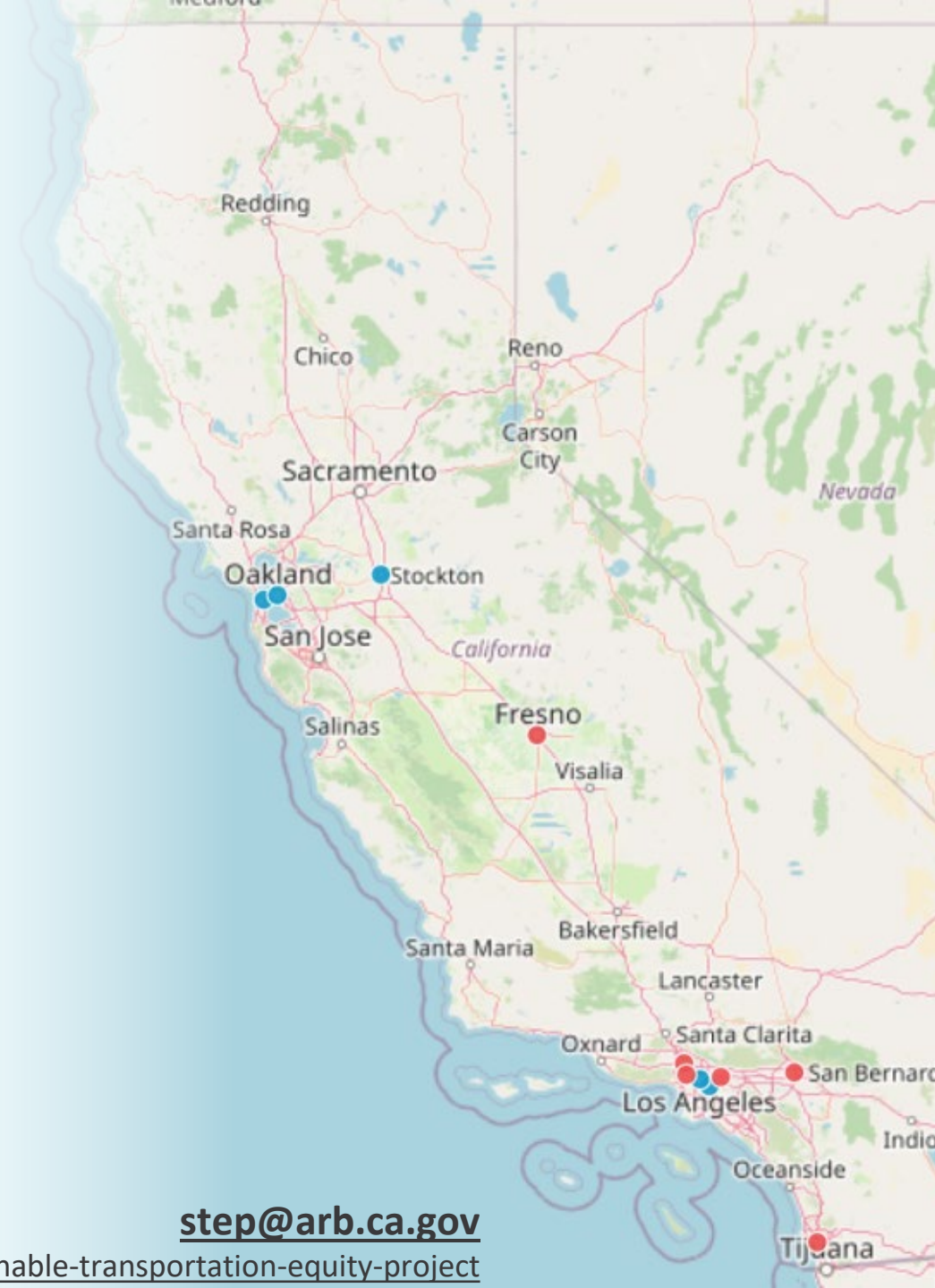
Technical Assistance Support

- 1:1 Individualized support
- 1:1 Tribal technical assistance and support
- Hotline calls
- Email support

STEP

Diverse project types addressing community-identified transportation needs & reducing VMT

- Partnership structures include at least one community-based organization and one local or tribal government, plus community partners
- Nine out of Eleven STEP grants include a bike project like bikeshare, bike lanes and supporting infrastructure, and educational programming



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<https://ww2.arb.ca.gov/our-work/programs/sustainable-transportation-equity-project>

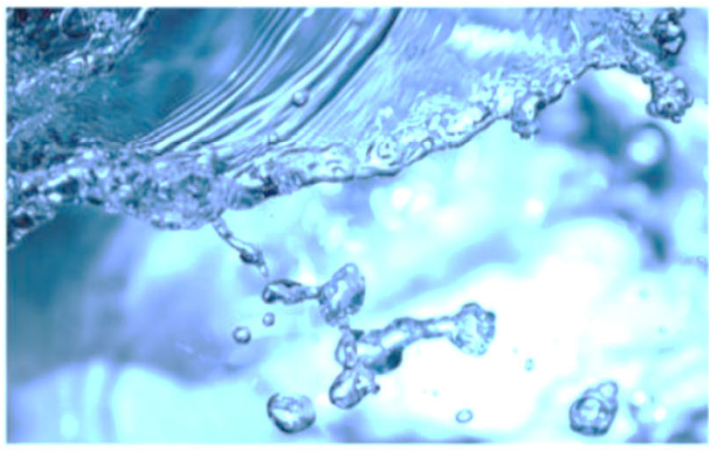


California Infrastructure and Economic Development Bank (IBank)

California Active Transportation Symposium
October 22 and October 23, 2025

California IBANK

IBank is the state of California's only general-purpose financing authority. IBank provides financial assistance to support infrastructure and economic development in California.



Created by the Legislature in 1994

Finance public infrastructure

Finance private development

Create jobs and a strong economy

Improve quality of life for the people of California

Broad authority to issue tax-exempt and taxable revenue bonds

Provide financing to public agencies

Leverage state and federal funds

Green financing

LEUCADIA STREETSCAPE PROJECT

- The City of Encinitas's \$20M Capital Improvement Plan includes the Leucadia Streetscape Project to enhance the North Coast Highway 101 corridor.
- Community input was utilized to create a concept plan for beautification, landscape, pedestrian, circulation, traffic management, and parking improvements for the project's approximately 2.5-mile stretch of North Coast Highway 101 (from A Street to La Costa Avenue).
- The Leucadia Streetscape project improved safety, convenience, while maintaining existing physical access to the shoreline, and increase efficiency to the transportation system.





Highway 101 at North Court and Athena St.



Highway 101 at Basil Street

BEFORE



Highway 101 at El Portal, street view

AFTER



Diana Street Pedestrian Crossing

Before



After



North Ct Pedestrian Crossing

Before



After





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Creative Approaches to Funding Active Transportation Projects

2025 California Active Transportation Program Symposium, October 22, 2025

Laurie Waters, Deputy Director, California Transportation Commission



State Transportation Improvement Program (STIP)

Program Manager: Kacey Moore-Gutierrez



Sonoma-Marin
Area Rail Transit
(SMART)
Windsor Rail
Systems Project

75% Regional - Regions
25% Interregional – State

FUND TYPE	FREQUENCY	AMOUNT \$
FORMULA	BIENNIAL	VARIES
PROJECT TYPES	- Active Transportation - Local Road Improvements - State Highway Improvements - Intercity Rail - Transit Improvements	

State Highway Operation and Protection Program (SHOPP)

Program Manager: Jon Pray



Gleason Beach
Highway 1
Realignment
Project

Address Safety and Emergency Repair Needs on the State Highway System

FUND TYPE	FREQUENCY	AMOUNT \$
	BIENNIAL	VARIES
PROJECT TYPES	• Bicycle and Pedestrian Facilities • Intersection Improvements • Multimodal Corridor Improvements • Auxiliary Lanes Less than One Mile	

Local Streets and Roads Program (LSR)

Program Manager: Alicia Sequeira



Plaza Del Amo
and Cabrillo
Avenue Project

Cities and Counties Basic Local Streets and Roads Needs

FUND TYPE	FREQUENCY	AMOUNT \$
FORMULA	ANNUAL	~1.5 Billion
PROJECT TYPES	• Complete Streets • Safety • Road Maintenance and Rehabilitation • Railroad Grade Separations • Traffic Control Devices	

Local Partnership Program (LPP) - Competitive

Program Manager: Leishara Ward



Bridge Street
Complete
Streets Project

Funding to Jurisdictions with Approved Transportation Taxes or Fees

FUND TYPE	FREQUENCY	AMOUNT \$
COMPETITIVE	BIENNIAL	~195 Million
PROJECT TYPES	• Bike and Ped Safety and Mobility Improvements • State Highway System Improvements • Transit Facility Improvements • Local Road System Improvements • Other Transportation Improvements	

Local Partnership Program (LPP) - Formulaic

Program Manager: Kayla Giese



Bridge Street Complete Streets Project

Funding to Jurisdictions with Approved Transportation Taxes or Fees

FUND TYPE	FREQUENCY	AMOUNT \$
FORMULA	BIENNIAL	~200 Million
PROJECT TYPES	• Bike and Ped Safety and Mobility Improvements • State Highway System Improvements • Transit Facility Improvements • Local Road System Improvements • Other Transportation Improvements	

Solutions for Congested Corridors Program (SCCP)

Program Manager: Naveen Habib

Fund Transformative Projects to Reduce Congestion in Highly Traveled and Highly Congested Corridors

FUND TYPE	FREQUENCY	AMOUNT \$
COMPETITIVE	BIENNIAL	~500 Million
PROJECT TYPES	• Bike facilities such as dedicated bicycle lanes, separated bikeways, bicycle parking, and secure storage • Pedestrian facilities, including sidewalks, walkways, paths, driveways, crosswalks, median islands, ramps, pedestrian bridges, and tunnels • High-occupancy vehicle lanes and managed lanes • New or improving rail infrastructure	



Watsonville
Multimodal
Corridor Project

Additional Active Transportation Funding Programs

Program	Administering Agency	Purpose/Description	Overlap with ATP	ACTIVE TRANSPORTATION	Project Examples	Website
Sustainable Communities Planning Grants	Caltrans Division of Transportation Planning	Sustainable Communities Grants (\$29.5 million) Climate Adaptation Planning Grants (\$31.9 million) support local and regional identification of transportation-related climate vulnerabilities through the development of climate adaptation plans, as well as project-level adaptation planning to identify adaptation projects and strategies for transportation infrastructure Strategic Partnerships Grants (\$4.5 million) to identify and address statewide, interregional, or regional transportation deficiencies on the State highway system in partnership with Caltrans. A sub-category funds transit-focused planning projects that address multimodal transportation deficiencies	Eligible Types: • Active Transportation Plan • Bike Plan • Pedestrian Plan • Safe Routes to School Plan	Plan	• Safe Routes to School Plan • Active Transportation Plan • Bike/ped Trail/Path Feasibility Study • Complete Streets Plan • Sustainable Communities Plan • Transit-Oriented Development Plan • First/Last Mile Connectivity Plan	https://dot.ca.gov/programs/planning/division-of-transportation/planning/regional-and-community-planning/sustainable-transportation-planning-grants
Affordable Housing and Sustainable Communities Program (AHSC)	Strategic Growth Council and Department of Housing and Community Development	The Program funds land-use, housing, transportation, and land preservation projects to support infill and compact development that reduce greenhouse gas emissions. The Program included \$550M in its latest round. (California Climate Investments)	Eligible Types: • Bike and pedestrian facilities • NI Programs - Education (Must connect with affordable housing component of the grant)	IF NI	• Class I, II, III, & IV bike lanes • Active transportation projects to encourage connectivity to transit networks • Bikeways and sidewalks to affordable housing and transit center • Install dedicated bicycle facilities • Pedestrian facilities such as bulb-outs	https://sgc.ca.gov/programs
Urban Greening	California Natural Resources Agency	The Program supports the development of green infrastructure projects that reduce GHG emissions and provide multiple benefits. Must include at least one of the following: • Sequester and store carbon by planting trees • Reduce building energy use by strategically planting trees to shade buildings • Reduce commute vehicle miles traveled by constructing bicycle paths, bicycle lanes or pedestrian facilities that provide safe routes for travel between residences, workplaces, commercial centers, and schools. (California Climate	Eligible Types: • Bicycle and pedestrian facilities	IF	• Non-motorized urban trails that provide safe routes for both recreation and travel between residences, workplaces, commercial centers, and schools • Projects that expand or improve the usability of existing active transportation routes (e.g., walking or bicycle paths) or create new active transportation routes that are publicly accessible by walking • Complete Green Streets	https://resources.ca.gov/urban-greening

Commission and Caltrans staff have developed [a list of additional programs that fund active transportation projects and elements](#) to serve as a resource for our stakeholders

Thank You!

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