



## Bay REPAIR

### Local Community Benefits Fund – Round 1

#### Grant Guidelines Updates

## GRANT GUIDELINES

- **Section 3 - Grant Types:** Distinctions between Seed, Opportunity and Catalyst Grants clarified. Clarification that applications may propose a mix of planning, capacity-building and implementation activities needed to achieve measurable outcomes.
- **Section 3.2 - Opportunity Grants:** Updated to allow Opportunity Grant applicants to submit proposals re-granting funds to other entities, particularly smaller entities with lower capacity. Such re-granting proposals are exempt from the Co-Applicant requirement.
- **Section 4.1 - Partnership Structure:** Clarification that partners should collaborate across multiple sectors, as relevant, to systematically address multiple community needs. Clarification that partners should have clearly defined scopes of work and commensurate budget allocations.
- **Section 4.1 - Partnership Structure:** Addition of requirement of a Partnership Agreement for awarded grantees.
- **Section 4.2 - Eligible Lead Applicants:** Eligible Lead Applicants updated to include unions. Clarification that schools, school districts, public universities and colleges are eligible lead applicants.
- **Section 4.4 - Ineligible Applicants:** Ineligible applicants updated to include any entity that is the source of the penalty funds under the specific Call for Projects.
- **Section 5.1 - Community Needs:** Addition to require identification of an environmental justice, public health and/or just transition challenge, and how the applicant will address that challenge.
- **Section 6.2 - Economic Resilience for a Just Transition:** Updated language on overall project eligibility.



- **Section 7.1 - Measurable Outcomes and Indicators:** Additional language on measurable outcomes and indicators.
- **Section 8.1 - Eligible Costs:** Updated eligible costs related to consultants, capacity building and training, and indirect costs.
- **Section 9.1 - Management Capacity:** Updated management capacity requirements.
- **Section 9.2 - Financial Capacity:** Updated financial capacity requirements.
- **Section 9.3 - Approvals & Alignment:** Updated readiness requirements. Applicants must demonstrate that permits or approvals can be obtained within the grant term, and must demonstrate site control by the time of the execution of the Grant Agreement.
- **Section 10.1 - Technical Assistance:** Updated language on application technical assistance. More information will be provided on the [Air District](#) website.
- **Section 10.2 - Application Process:** Updated language on the application process. More information will be provided on the [Air District](#) website.
- **Section 11 – Application Scoring:** Updated language on the application scoring stages.
- **Section 11.1 - Eligibility Review:** Updated list of required application materials for Seed Grants, and Opportunity and Catalyst Grants.
- **Section 11.2 - Application Scoring:** Addition of reserving one seat within the community reviewers for an Assembly Bill 617 Community Steering Committee representative.
- **Section 11.3 - Scoring Criteria:** Addition of scoring criteria.
- **Section 11.4 - Funding Recommendations:** Clarification that Air District staff will finalize a recommended portfolio of projects for funding.



- **Appendix B – Definitions:** Addition of Appendix B defining terms and definitions.
- **Appendix C – Examples of Eligible Projects:** Updated examples of eligible projects.
- **Appendix D – Maximizing Outcomes:** Guidance on maximizing the benefits of outcomes moved to Appendix D. Additional language on maximizing high-quality job creation for construction projects.
- **Appendix E – Resources:** Addition of Appendix D offering resources for applicants, such as planning tools, technical offerings and related research.

## CALL FOR PROJECTS: BENICIA

- Addition of a new "Valero Refinery Closure" section, outlining exceptions to the Guidelines in consideration of unique circumstances:
  - *Partnership Structure:* While Co-Applicants will not be a required element for the Catalyst Grant in Benicia, applications demonstrating diverse community support will be prioritized.
  - *Application Review and Award Timeline:* Should there be a small number of applications for the Catalyst Grant in Benicia, the Air District may expedite the review of the applications within this grant category.