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Leveraged funding is a key program goal in the Safe, Clean Water Program Implementation Ordinance (Chapter 18.04). Watershed Coordinators play a supporting role in “identify[ing] potential partners and additional sources of funding to augment and leverage SCW Program revenues” for Safe, Clean Water Regional Program projects (Chapter 18.07). This funding report provides a landscape overview of recent funding policy highlights and shares currently active and upcoming funding opportunities that may be relevant to Safe, Clean Water Program infrastructure projects.

For more information, please contact [SafeCleanWaterLA@pw.lacounty.gov](mailto:SafeCleanWaterLA@pw.lacounty.gov)

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## POLICY HIGHLIGHTS

The State of California’s [Fiscal Year \(FY\) 2024-25 budget](#) includes cuts to watershed climate resilience programs, drinking water and wastewater infrastructure, water recycling, and nature-based solutions funding. The [State Proposition 4 Safe Drinking Water, Wildfire Prevention, Drought Preparedness, and Clean Air Bond](#) (Climate Bond) proposes that the State borrow \$10 billion “to finance projects for safe drinking water, drought, flood, and water resilience, wildfire and forest resilience, coastal resilience, extreme heat mitigation, biodiversity and nature-based climate solutions, climate-smart, sustainable, and resilient farms, ranches, and working lands, park creation and outdoor access, and clean air programs.” Proposition 4 is on the November 5th ballot for California voters to approve or deny.

The virtual Fall 2024 California Financing Coordinating Committee (CFCC) Funding Fair on November 7 and November 13 is a good resource to better understand the current funding landscape. The CFCC combines the resources of four State and two Federal funding agencies to provide a one-stop shop for available grants, loans and bond financing for infrastructure projects. Since 1998, the CFCC has conducted free funding fairs statewide each year to educate the public and offer potential applicants the opportunity to meet with financial representatives from each agency and learn more about their currently available funding programs. More information and the registration link can be found on the [CFCC website](#).

## ACTIVE & ONGOING FUNDING OPPORTUNITES

The programs highlighted below are funding opportunities that may be the most relevant to Safe, Clean Water Program projects. As of October 28, 2024, these programs are currently open and accepting applications. See the attached funding matrix for a more extensive list of relevant funding opportunities.

[California Transportation Commission’s Solutions for Congested Corridors Program \(SCCP\)](#) provides funding to achieve a balanced set of transportation, environmental, and community access improvements to reduce congestion throughout the state. The SCCP makes \$250 million available annually to projects that implement specific transportation performance improvements and are part of a comprehensive corridor plan, by providing more transportation choices while preserving the character of local communities and creating opportunities for neighborhood enhancement.

Eligible applications include regional transportation planning agencies, County transportation commissions, and Caltrans. Nominated projects must be projects currently identified in an adopted regional transportation plan and an existing comprehensive corridor plan. Improvement to state highways, local streets and roads, public transit facilities, bicycle and pedestrian facilities, and restoration or preservation work that protects critical local habitat or open space are eligible project activities. **Applications are due November 19, 2024.**

[U.S. Bureau of Reclamation’s Small Surface Water and Groundwater Storage Projects \(Small Storage Program\)](#) provides funding to small surface water and groundwater storage projects for planning, design, and construction phases. A small surface water or groundwater storage project is defined as having a storage capacity of no less than 200 acre-feet and no more than 30,000 acre-feet, and increase surface water or groundwater storage, or convey water, directly or indirectly, to or from surface water or groundwater



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storage. The project must increase yield, on average, above existing conditions to identified beneficiaries and the environment.

The maximum grant award is \$30,000,000. Eligible applicants include Tribal governments and organizations, local and county governments, and nonprofits with 501c(3) status. A cost-share requirement of at least 75% is required. **The first application submittal period is December 12, 2024. The second submittal period is July 15, 2025.**

[California Department of Toxic Substances Control's \(DTSC\) Technical Assistance Grant \(TAG\)](#) will provide approximately \$2.5 million in grant funding to California community organizations to engage in the cleanup process of contaminated properties in their communities. Technical Assistance funds can be used to fund services provided by independent Technical Advisors, including Community Science projects under the general guidance of Technical Advisors. Community Science projects provide community members with an educational component as well as the opportunity to ask their own questions, participate in the collection of community confirmation sampling, and advocate for themselves.

Eligible applicants include nonprofit organizations and Tribal governments. Communities must be classified as having a CalEnviroScreen score of at least 75 percent, a higher poverty rate, or demonstrate that the community is vulnerable. Grant awards will range from \$40,000 to \$150,000. No cost-share requirement is specified. **Applications are due January 15, 2025.**

[Caltrans' Sustainable Transportation Planning Grant](#) funds projects that support Caltrans' mission to provide safe and reliable transportation network that serves all people and respects the environment. These grants are intended to support and implement the Regional Transportation Plan (RTP) Sustainable Communities Strategies/Alternative Planning Strategies (SCS/APS), where applicable, and to ultimately achieve the State's greenhouse gas (GHG) reduction target of 40 and 80 percent below 1990 levels by 2030 and 2050, respectively. The Program funds projects that further local and regional multimodal transportation and land use planning. There are two types of Sustainable Transportation Planning Grants – Competitive and Formula. Formulaic grants are only awarded to Metropolitan Planning Organizations (MPOs). Eligible applicants for competitive grants include MPOs with subapplicants, transit agencies, cities or counties with compliant Housing Elements and Annual Progress Reports, Tribal Governments, and other transportation planning entities.

Grant awards range from a minimum of \$50,000 for underresourced communities, and \$100,000 for other communities, and a maximum of \$700,000. Cost-share requirement of 11.47 percent, which can be waived for Tribal governments. **Applications are due January 22, 2024.**

[U.S. Bureau of Reclamation's WaterSMART Environmental Water Resources Projects](#) funds implementation and construction projects that conserve water, provide ecological benefits, support watershed health, and are connected to water resources or water resources management. The program awards grants or cooperative agreements, with a maximum of \$3 million per project that can be completed within 3 years. Total project costs should not exceed \$6 million. Eligible applicants include Tribes, public agencies, and nonprofit conservation organizations. A 25 percent non-federal cost-share is required by the applicant or a third-party contribution. The current application period is open and will **close on March 11, 2025.**

[DTSC's Brownfields Revolving Loan Fund \(RLF\) Grant Program](#) provides grants for two types of brownfield sites: hazardous substance release sites and petroleum sites. Grantees may also use funds for pre-cleanup site assessments and for environmental cleanup. Eligible applicants include local governments, Tribal entities, and nonprofits, and developers not liable under Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act (CERCLA) Section 107. The program has an



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**ongoing, rolling application period.** More information can be found by scheduling a meeting with the Program Manager to discuss eligibility.

**[Caltrans' Stormwater Treatment Partnership Programs](#)** provide funding to stormwater projects that improve regional water quality and facilitate partnerships with municipalities to achieve compliance with Caltrans' National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) permit and. There are two partnership programs, the Cooperative Implementation Agreements (CIA) Program and the Financial Contribution Only (FCO) Program. Both programs are **ongoing**, and annual funds are determined in March of each fiscal year based on Caltrans' Stormwater operating expenses. Projects that are not awarded funding in the current round remain eligible for funding in future rounds. For more information, please contact Los Angeles County Caltrans Stormwater Coordinator [Anand Maganti](#).

**[California Wildlife Conservation Board \(WCB\) General Grants](#)** funds planning, implementation, acquisition, technical assistance, and scientific study projects that provide one or more of the following benefits: 1) Protect or enhance biodiversity; 2) Climate change resiliency and connectivity; 3) Support State Wildlife Action Plan priority habitats; 4) Conserve or enhance working landscapes; 5) Conserve or enhance water-related projects; and 6) Enhance public access. The **application cycle is continuous**, and it is recommended that applicants first consult WCB staff prior to completing a Pre-Application. Award amounts vary based on current available funds and the application pool. Funding amounts are determined by the WCB voting board and grants manager. There is no cost-share requirement.

**[California State Water Resources Control Board's Clean Water State Revolving Fund \(CWSRF\)](#)** offers low-cost financing for a wide variety of wastewater and water quality projects, including funding for water reuse and stormwater projects. Financing is offered through low-interest loans at half the general obligation bond rate. Stormwater mitigation projects are also eligible for loan forgiveness. California's CWSRF receives annual funds from principal and interest on past loans, federal allocations, periodic allocations to the State Water Board from the California annual budget, and other funds approved by California voters such as Proposition 1 and Proposition 68. The California CWSRF offers an average of \$736 million in financing annually. As stated in the [SFY 2024-25 CWSRF Intended Use Plan](#), the "State Water Board will be adding new projects to the Fundable List this fiscal year at a level consistent with the long-term sustainable loan capacity, and is no longer anticipating a break in SFY 2025-26 funding." This change is due to approximately \$476 million in loan commitments withdrawn or removed throughout the last fiscal year.

Applications are accepted on a **rolling basis and are reviewed at the end of the calendar year**. Projects in small (defined as less than 20,000 people) and/or disadvantaged communities are prioritized for grant funding and principal loan forgiveness. Specific funding percentages and caps change by the year but are developed annually through a stakeholder-driven process and released in that year's Intended Use Plan. Some public entities are unable to apply for the CWSRF financing due to conflicting requirements with existing debt.

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## SAFE, CLEAN WATER PROGRAM FUNDING HIGHLIGHT

### **[Safe, Clean Water Program Public Education and Community Engagement Grants Program](#)**

Los Angeles County Public Works is partnering with the Water Foundation to develop and administer SCW Public Education and Community Engagement Grants Program (Grants Program). All proposals funded through the Grants Program must work towards one or more of the following: 1) Increase community awareness of the SCW Program and support community members in envisioning their own stormwater solutions; 2) Support the development of stormwater project concepts that are responsive to community needs and priorities; 3) Engage community members in active stewardship of neighborhood green stormwater infrastructure; 4) Increase community understanding of stormwater management in the context



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of LA County's water systems, particularly in areas that are most vulnerable to the impacts of climate change.

A total of \$8.5 million is available through the Grants program, with Tier 1 awards ranging from \$500 to \$5,000 and Tier 2 awards ranging from \$5,001 to \$250,000. Funds must be expended no later than July 31, 2026. Eligible applicants include nonprofits, Tribal organizations, municipal agencies, and school districts. All grant-funded activities must serve populations within the SCW Program Watershed Areas of the Los Angeles County Flood Control District.

The **ongoing, rolling application period** opened September 23, 2024. **Applicants may submit proposals anytime between September 23, 2024 and May 31, 2025.** Applications will be evaluated in batches, with the deadlines as follows: Round 1 – November 8, 2024; Round 2 – January 31, 2025; Round 3 – April 4, 2025. Applications submitted after April 5, 2025 will be reviewed and awarded funding based on a first-come-first serve basis. Applicants whose proposals were not approved for funding can revise and resubmit their applications prior to the final deadline of May 31, 2025.

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Funding programs change frequently. The identified funding opportunities compiled are a list of potentially relevant opportunities, updated as of October 28, 2024. Further research should verify project-specific eligibility requirements, latest funding levels, and appropriate timelines. Use the links attached to research these programs further. If you are unsure about your project eligibility or competitiveness, reaching out to program coordinators via contact emails or webinars is a good way to get your questions answered. Safe, Clean Water Program Watershed Coordinators can also support leveraged funding efforts. The [Federal Grants Portal](#), [California Grants Portal](#) and [CFCC Funding Fairs](#) can serve as additional resources to identify funding opportunities.

**Safe, Clean Water Program - Funding Matrix**

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Program	Theme	Status	Geography	Agency	Purpose / Goals	Eligible Applicants	Eligible Use of Funds	Project Type	Match/Cost Share Requirement	Funding Terms	Timing and Recurrence
<i>Name of Program</i>	<i>Topic Area(s) of Focus</i>	<i>Active or Upcoming?</i>	<i>National, State, Regional</i>	<i>Name of Agency</i>	<i>Program Purpose / Goals</i>	<i>Eligible Applicant Types</i>	<i>Eligible use and eligible projects</i>	<i>Project phase</i>	<i>Y / N?</i>	<i>Min &amp; Max Award Amount and Other Considerations</i>	<i>Frequency and Cycles</i>
<a href="#">Safe, Clean Water Program Public Education and Community Engagement Grants Program</a>	Public Education / Outreach	Active	Regional	Los Angeles County Department of Public Works/ Water Foundation	Los Angeles County Public Works is partnering with the Water Foundation to develop and administer SCW Public Education and Community Engagement Grants Program (Grants Program). All proposals funded through the Grants Program must work towards one or more of the following: 1) Increase community awareness of the SCW Program and support community members in envisioning their own stormwater solutions; 2) Support the development of stormwater project concepts that are responsive to community needs and priorities; 3) Engage community members in active stewardship of neighborhood green stormwater infrastructure; 4) Increase community understanding of stormwater management in the context of LA County's water systems, particularly in areas that are most vulnerable to the impacts of climate change.	Eligible applicants include nonprofits, Tribal organizations, municipal agencies, and school districts.	All grant-funded activities must serve populations within the SCW Program Watershed Areas of the Los Angeles County Flood Control District.	Outreach / Engagement	Not required	A total of \$8.5 million is available through the Grants program Tier 1: \$500 to \$5,000 Tier 2 awards: \$5,001 to \$250,000.	<b>Ongoing, rolling application.</b> Applicants may submit proposals anytime between September 23, 2024 and May 31, 2025. Applications will be evaluated in batches, with the deadlines as follows: <b>Round 1 – November 8, 2024; Round 2 – January 31, 2025; Round 3 – April 4, 2025.</b> Applications submitted after April 5, 2025 will be reviewed and awarded funding based on a first-come-first serve basis. Applicants whose proposals were not approved for funding can revise and resubmit their applications prior to the final deadline of May 31, 2025.
<a href="#">Solutions for Congested Corridors Program (SCCP)</a>	Transportation	Active	State	California Transportation Commission	This program provides funding to achieve a balanced set of transportation, environmental, and community access improvements to reduce congestion throughout the state. The SSCP makes \$250 million available annually to projects that implement specific transportation performance improvements and are part of a comprehensive corridor plan, by providing more transportation choices while preserving the character of local communities and creating opportunities for neighborhood enhancement.	Regional transportation planning agencies, county transportation commissions, and Caltrans	Nominated projects must be projects currently identified in an adopted regional transportation plan and an existing comprehensive corridor plan. Improvement to state highways, local streets and roads, public transit facilities, bicycle and pedestrian facilities, and restoration or preservation work that protects critical local habitat or open space.	Construction	Not required.	Not specified. \$480,956,000 of total funds available to award.	Applications due <b>November 19, 2024.</b>
<a href="#">Local Partnership Program - Competitive Program</a>	Transportation	Active	State	California Transportation Commission	The primary objective of this program is to provide funding to counties, cities, districts, and regional transportation agencies in which voters have approved fees or taxes dedicated solely to transportation improvements or that have imposed fees, including uniform developer fees, dedicated solely to transportation improvements.	An eligible applicant under the Competitive Program is a local or regional transportation agency that has sought and received voter approval of taxes, tolls, or fees which taxes, tolls, or fees are dedicated solely to transportation improvements and that agency administers those taxes, tolls, or fees; or that imposes fees, including uniform developer fees as defined by subdivision (b) of Section 8879.67 of the Government Code, which fees are dedicated solely to transportation improvements.	Includes projects that make improvements to mitigate the environmental impact of new transportation infrastructure on water quality (i.e., urban runoff) including management practices for capturing and treating urban runoff.	Implementation	Projects funded from the Local Partnership Program will require at least a one-to-one match of private, local, federal, or state funds with Taxing authorities with voter-approved taxes, tolls, or fees, or applicants with an imposed fee, which generates less than \$2 million annually are required to provide a match equal to 25% of the requested Competitive Program funds. This exception is based on the nominating agency's (or administering agency's) generated revenue.	Maximum: \$25 million	Applications due <b>November 20, 2024</b>  The Program receives \$200 million annually from the Road Maintenance and Rehabilitation Account and each program cycle will include two years of funding. New cycles will be programmed every two years.
<a href="#">Small Surface Water and Groundwater Storage Projects (Small Storage Program)</a>	Water Supply	Active	Federal	United States Bureau of Reclamation	Funds water storage projects enhance and increase the reliability of municipal and irrigation water supplies, provide opportunities to enhance groundwater management and provide water quality improvements and ecosystem benefits. These projects will provide Western communities with new sources of water and increase water management flexibility. The objective of this NOFO is to invite sponsors of small surface water and groundwater storage projects to request cost-shared funding for the planning, design, and/or construction of those projects.	Federally recognized Tribal governments, local, state, and county governments, Tribal organizations, nonprofits with 501(c)(3) status	Projects eligible for funding under this NOFO include planning, design, and construction of small surface water and groundwater storage facilities.  The project must have a completed small storage feasibility study submitted to Reclamation for review by August 15, 2024 for applications submitted under the first submittal period, and by April 30, 2025 for applications submitted under the second submittal period.  An eligible project must have water storage capacity of no less than 200 acre-feet and no more than 30,000 acre-feet, and increase surface water or groundwater storage, or convey water, directly or indirectly, to or from surface water or groundwater storage.  The project must increase yield, on average, above existing conditions to identified beneficiaries and the environment.	Planning, Design, Construction	At least 75% cost-share required.	Maximum: \$30,000,000	First application submittal period is <b>December 12, 2024.</b> Second round submittal period is <b>July 15, 2025.</b>
<a href="#">Technical Assistance Grant</a>	Brownfields	Active	State	California Department of Toxic Substances Control	DTSC's Office of Brownfields Technical Assistance Grant (TAG) will provide approximately \$2.5 million in grant funding to California community organizations to engage in the cleanup process of contaminated properties in their communities.	Nonprofit, Tribal Government. Communities must be classified through CalEnviroScreen as having a score of 75% or higher poverty rate or demonstrate that the community is vulnerable.	TA funds can be used to fund services provided by independent TAs, including Community Science projects under the general guidance of TAs. Community Science projects provide community members an educational component as well as the opportunity to ask their own questions, participate in the collection of community confirmation sampling, and advocate for themselves.	Technical Assistance	Not required.	Minimum: \$40,000 Maximum: \$150,000	Applications due <b>January 15, 2025.</b>
<a href="#">FY 2025-26 Sustainable Transportation Planning Grant - California Grants Portal</a>	Transportation	Active	State	Caltrans	Funds projects that support Caltrans' mission to provide safe and reliable transportation network that serves all people and respects the environment. These grants are intended to support and implement the Regional Transportation Plan (RTP) Sustainable Communities Strategies/Alternative Planning Strategies (SCS/APS), where applicable, and to ultimately achieve the State's greenhouse gas (GHG) reduction target of 40 and 80 percent below 1990 levels by 2030 and 2050, respectively. The Program funds projects that further local and regional multimodal transportation and land use planning.	Metropolitan Planning Organizations with subapplicants, transit agencies, cities or counties with compliant Housing Elements and Annual Progress Reports, Tribal Governments, and other transportation planning entities	Successful planning projects are expected to directly benefit the multimodal transportation system. These grants will also improve public health, social equity, environmental justice, the environment, and provide other important community benefits.	Planning	11.47%	Minimum : \$50,000 for underresourced communities, and \$100,000 for other communities Maximum: \$700,000	<b>Application due January 22, 2025</b>

<a href="#">First District Community Grants</a>		Active	Regional	Los Angeles County Executive Office of the Board - District 1	The purpose of the Community Grant Program is to develop or support services that meet the diverse needs of the residents of the First District, on issues ranging from health, violence prevention, and environmental justice to immigration and jobs among others	Non-profit organizations with a project that supports First District residents. Applicants who have received a Community Grant may reapply for additional funding. Applications should improve the well-being of residents, especially those most vulnerable or economically disadvantaged.	Funding for program costs for existing services, planning new projects, or implementation/expansion of services. Ongoing staffing, operations, and/or salaries are not generally considered. Priority funding areas include: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Arts and Culture</li> <li>• Environment</li> <li>• Health</li> <li>• Housing and Homelessness</li> <li>• Jobs</li> <li>• Parks&amp;Open Space</li> <li>• Public Safety and Diversion</li> <li>• Transportation</li> <li>• Social Services</li> <li>• Immigration</li> <li>• Veterans</li> <li>• Children and Families</li> </ul>	Not specified.	Not required.	Not specified.	<b>Ongoing, rolling application.</b>
<a href="#">Second District Funding Request</a>	Parks/ Green Space / Recreation / Education/ Community Services	Upcoming	Regional	Los Angeles County Executive Office of the Board - District 2	To support and develop services that support the diverse needs of the residents of the Second District. The goal is that funding will improve the quality of life for residents. The Second District's office strives to provide these funds through an equity lens, focusing funds on services that support our most underrepresented and underserved communities. The funding is intended for small grant amounts and is one-time in nature.	Not specified. Prioritization given to organizations based out of the 2nd District.	Funding request must meet the social needs of the population of Los Angeles County, including but not limited to the areas of health, public safety, rehabilitation, well-being, education, and legal services, and to assist in the needs of the physically, mentally and financially challenged persons and aged persons pursuant to California Government Code 26227. Prioritization will be given to organizations based in the Second Supervisorial District. Requests must focus on serving the residents of the Second Supervisorial District. Funding requests are prioritized for direct programs or services.	Not specified.	Not required.	Not specified.	<b>Currently closed, funding reserved for holiday distribution events in November and December.</b> Applications reviewed on a quarterly basis. In 2024, there were three application deadlines: January 4, April 5, and July 12.
<a href="#">Third District Discretionary Funding Grant</a>	Parks/ Green Space / Recreation / Education/ Community Services	Active	Regional	Los Angeles County Executive Office of the Board - District 3	To support community-serving organizations in the 3rd District	Requesting organization must have a location in the 3rd District and the funds requested are for the benefit of 3rd District constituents and communities. Non-profit and for-profit non-sectarian organizations	Requests may include but are not limited to educational/recreational projects, arts and cultural programs, environmental awareness programs/projects, public safety programs, health and social service initiatives and programs. Grants can also help support an organization with one-time funding to purchase equipment, needed materials, repairs or augmentation of a physical site, etc. "Seed" grants are also available to establish new and innovative work, if all other criteria is met.	Not specified.	Not required.	Not specified.	<b>Ongoing, rolling application.</b>
<a href="#">Fourth District Discretionary Grant</a>	Parks/ Green Space / Recreation / Education/ Community Services	Active	Regional	Los Angeles County Executive Office of the Board - District 4	The purpose of the Fourth District Discretionary Grants is to support organizations within the Fourth District that are providing services to our residents. Funds must be used to benefit the community and are not for private purposes or activities	Agency requesting funding should serve the Fourth District residents. Agency type not specified.	Grant funding should support direct services or community events. Each funding grant must meet a social need of the residents of the County, including arts, health, law enforcement, public safety, rehabilitation, education, legal services, and disability services.	Not specified.	Not required.	Not specified. Grants over \$2,500 must submit a line-item budget.	<b>Ongoing, rolling application.</b>
<a href="#">Community-based Park Investment Program - Measure A Annual Allocation Grant Program</a>	Parks / Green Space / Recreation	Active	Regional	Los Angeles County Regional Parks Open Space District	Measure A funds are derived from an annual special tax on property within LA County. Measure A funds go into seven funding categories. Each funding program category supports specific funding programs, one of them being annual allocations. Measure A annual allocation funds go into five funding categories: Community-based park investment; neighborhood parks, healthy communities, and urban greening; county cultural facilities; county priority projects; the allocation to the LA County Department of Parks and Recreation; the allocation to the LA County Department of Beaches and Harbors; the Innovation Grant Program.	LA County public agencies that oversee parks	Applicants must provide proof that the project meets all the following Project Eligibility requirements to apply for a grant award: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The project is in the Study Area or meets the requirements for shared funds;</li> <li>• The project is a capital project; or</li> <li>• The project is consistent with the most recent PNA, UPNA, or another adopted park planning tool.</li> </ul> Project types can include but are not limited to: community and local parks (including pocket parks), playgrounds, and park equipment; community recreational centers; park safety; greenspace and greenway development; gardens; and urban canopy development.	Development / Acquisition / Planning / Design	Not specified.	Annual allocation amounts per Study Area are calculated based off a formula-based allocation.	Funds replenish every fall. Can only apply for available funds. <b>Rolling application, no deadline.</b> 35% of Measure A expenditure plan.
<a href="#">County Priority Projects Program - Measure A</a>	Parks / Green Space / Recreation	Active	Regional	Los Angeles County Regional Parks Open Space District	County Priority Projects grants will fund projects that are determined to be priorities by the Board of Supervisors (BOS).	Applicants must provide proof that the project meets all the following Project Eligibility requirements to apply for a grant award: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The project is a capital project or the planning and design for a capital project.</li> <li>• The project is consistent with the most recent PNA, UPNA, or another adopted park planning tool.</li> </ul> Applicant should submit a 2-page Letter of Intent (LOI) to Office of the District Supervisor of the project location to determine priority level and funding eligibility.	Below is a non-exhaustive list of projects that may be eligible for grant funds under the County Priority Projects program. This list is intended to assist the BOS in understanding the types of projects County Priority Projects Program funds can be expended on, not to limit or direct projects chosen for completion. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Community and local parks, including pocket parks, playgrounds, playground equipment, dog parks, and picnic areas, especially those that connect and restore underutilized spaces;</li> <li>• Community and senior recreational centers;</li> <li>• Park safety, graffiti removal, facility safety lighting, safe routes to schools, and other safety improvements;</li> <li>• Greenspace and greenway development;</li> <li>• Gardens;</li> <li>• Urban canopy development to reduce the heat island effect, especially in heavily urbanized, tree poor areas of the County;</li> <li>• Refurbishment, updating, expansion of current parks and park amenities; and</li> <li>• Planning and design related projects.</li> </ul>	Planning / Implementation	Not specified.	Granted on a request-basis. LOIs evaluated on a rolling basis by each Supervisor's Office and may or may not be recommended for funding.	Up to two percent of annual Measure A revenue is allocated to this program. Available funding for each of the five Supervisorial Districts will be declared by September 15th of every year. This includes new and un-awarded funding from prior years.
<a href="#">Coastal Conservancy Grants</a>	Habitat Restoration / Conservation, Hazard Mitigation / Resilience	Active	State	State Coastal Conservancy	The Coastal Conservancy funds a wide variety of projects along the California coast, San Francisco Bay, and in coastal watersheds to increase availability of beaches, parks and trails for the public, protect and restore natural lands and wildlife habitat, preserve working lands, and increase community resilience to the impacts of climate change. Multi-benefit projects, projects that serve disadvantaged communities, and projects that advance the objectives in their 2023 – 2027 Strategic Plan and regional and statewide plans will receive higher priority for funding.	Public Agencies, including Joint Power Authorities and Federally-Recognized Indian Tribes; Nonprofit organizations with 501(c)(3) status; Other community-based organizations and non-federally-recognized tribes may apply with a 501(c)(3) fiscal sponsor.	Projects that benefit public access, natural resources, working lands, and climate resiliency at the coast, coastal watersheds, and the San Francisco Bay. The Conservancy will fund most stages of a project including: pre-project feasibility studies, property acquisition, project planning including community involvement, design, environmental review, permitting, construction, and project-related monitoring.	Acquisition / Planning / Implementation	Not specified.	There are no maximum or minimum grant amounts for this funding; however, it is anticipated that most grants will be between \$200,000 and \$5,000,000.	Receives annual appropriations through the Coastal Conservancy's budget cycle. Also channels increased State investments in Coastal Conservation appropriated through the Budget Acts. <b>Rolling pre-application solicitation for most Conservancy grants, including Climate Ready, Wildfire Resilience, and all regional grant programs.</b> The Conservancy also holds periodic grant rounds related to specific programs or fund sources. Information on those grant rounds and their deadlines are posted on the program website and emailed to the listserv when they are open. All applicants are encouraged to request a technical assistance consultation with the Regional Manager covering your project area to discuss project eligibility before beginning the application process.
<a href="#">Wetlands and Mountain Meadows Restoration – Nature Based Solutions</a>	Parks / Green Space / Recreation, Habitat Restoration / Conservation	Active	State	CA Department of Fish and Wildlife (CDFW)	Governor Gavin Newsom's 2020 Executive Order N-82-20 outlines a comprehensive and results-oriented agenda to expand nature-based solutions across California, advancing an approach to restoration that works with and enhances nature to help address societal challenges. Two new programs within CDFW will work toward this goal: Wetlands and Mountain Meadows Restoration and Wildlife Corridors programs.	Public agencies, Tribal governments, Non-profits	All projects shall provide one or more of the following benefits: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Protect or enhance biodiversity;</li> <li>- Climate change resiliency and connectivity;</li> <li>- Support of the State Wildlife Action Plan priority habitats;</li> <li>- Conserve or enhance working landscapes;</li> <li>- Conserve or enhance water-related projects; and / or</li> <li>- Enhance public access.</li> </ul> Projects should also contribute the State's priorities, such as the Pathways to 30x30	Planning / Implementation / Acquisition / Monitoring / Scientific Studies / Capacity Building / Technical Assistance	Not required.	Not specified.	<b>Ongoing, rolling application.</b> Senate Bill 155 amended the Budget Act of 2021 to provide the allocation of up to \$54 million to Nature-Based Solutions (NBS) set aside in Fiscal Years 2022-23 and 2023-24 for projects that restore or enhance wetlands and watershed ecosystems and provide co-benefits, consistent with the Natural and Working Lands Climate Smart Strategy and Pathways to 30x30. The Program will also support pilot projects for CDFW's Beaver Program.

<a href="#">CA Clean Water State Revolving Fund (SRF)</a>	Wastewater / Clean Water	Active	State	CA State Water Resources Control Board	Financing is offered through low-interest loans, and disadvantaged communities have the ability to apply for principal forgiveness (PF). The Clean Water SRF acts as an infrastructure bank, receiving annual capitalization grants from the EPA and state funds through annual budgets, state ballot measures, and a variety of other avenues. The Federal CWSRF has offered over \$150 billion in financing since 1988. The Federal SRF funds are administered through state-level SRF funds, including California's DW and CWSRF which are authorized under California Water Code Sections 13475-13485. The CA CWSRF receives annual funds from principal and interest on past loans, federal allocations, periodic allocations to the State Water Board from the California annual budget, and other funds approved by California voters such as Proposition 1 and Proposition 68. Applications are accepted on a rolling basis and prioritize disadvantaged communities. Specific funding percentages and caps change by the year but are developed annually through a stakeholder-driven process and released in that year's Intended Use Plan (IUP). Financing is for a wide variety of water quality projects.	Public agencies, Tribal governments, Non-profits	The CWSRF can finance publicly owned treatment facilities, nonpoint source projects, and estuary projects. The most common types of application received are for wastewater treatment plants and sewer systems. The most successfully funded types of projects (organized by category and ranked in order of most to least funded during the 2021-2022 FY as an example) include: secondary treatment, advanced treatment, new interceptors, water reuse, sewer system rehab, and energy efficiency.  Applications can be submitted for different types of projects: (a) Water / Energy Audit (focused on driving water efficiency), (b) Construction (for projects that restore or maintain water quality), and (c) for Planning / Design (focused on wastewater systems). Can also apply to these through CA state grants.	Infrastructure and Non-Infrastructure Projects	Not required.	\$1 million to > \$100 million  No maximum funding limit, but partial funding may be applied in annual CWSRF Intended Use Plan  Financing is offered through low-interest loans (at half the general obligation bond rate)  Grants and PF may be available to small communities and disadvantaged communities.	Funding available annually with applications being <b>accepted on a rolling basis and reviewed at the end of each calendar year.</b>
<a href="#">Addressing Climate Impacts</a>	Habitat Restoration / Conservation / Climate Resilience	Active	State	CA Department of Fish & Wildlife	For projects that address urgent degrading water and habitat conditions due to climate change	Nonprofit, Public Agency, Tribal Government	Includes: purchasing water from willing sellers for wildlife benefit, protecting instream flows, building water conservation projects, implementing emergency restoration activities, conservation strategies.	Acquisition, implementation, infrastructure & non-infrastructure projects	Not required.	Reimbursement funding method. Total funding available is \$35M. Period of performance extends through March 15, 2026.	<b>Ongoing, rolling application.</b> Awarded as often as monthly.
<a href="#">Small Community Clean Water / Wastewater Funding (Grant or Loan)</a>	Clean Water, Water Quality	Active	State	CA State Water Resources Control Board	Provides low interest loans, grants, and principal forgiveness to small disadvantaged communities for planning / design and construction of projects that restore and maintain water quality	Nonprofit, Public Agency, and Tribal Gov. Must serve small communities qualifying as DAC or SDAC. Small communities = population less than 20,000. DAC = communities with median household income less than 80% of average statewide, SDAC median household income is less than 60% of average statewide.	Focus is on water treatment solutions that ensure safe, clean, affordable, and reliable drinking water and wastewater services.	Planning, Construction	Not required.	Period of performance is 3-5 years.	<b>Ongoing, rolling application.</b> Program has a total of \$110M available. Funding source is the CWSRF and it is carried out as a reimbursement.
<a href="#">Proposition 1 Watershed Restoration Grant Program</a>	Habitat Restoration / Conservation / Water Quality	Active	State	CA Department of Fish and Wildlife	Funds multi-benefit ecosystem and watershed protection / restoration projects.	Nonprofit, public agency, tribal government.	Projects must be consistent with the purposes of Proposition 1 and contribute to the implementation of the California Water Action Plan. Proposals must address at least one of the following priorities: large-scale wildfire recovery response and prevention, headwater management for multiple benefits, protect and restore native fish habitat/coastal wetland ecosystem	Planning, Implementation, Acquisition	Not required.	Period of performance is 3 years.	<b>Application deadline is ongoing with anticipated award announcement in the Summer 2024.</b> There are about \$19M in funds available.
<a href="#">Infrastructure State Revolving Fund Program (ISRF)</a>	Community Sustainability / Infrastructure	Active	State	Infrastructure and Economic Development Bank	Low-cost, direct loans to governments and nonprofits sponsored by public agencies for infrastructure and economic projects that improve and sustain communities.	Municipalities and any subdivision of local government, special districts, public-benefit, tax-exempt nonprofits	Eligible projects include, but are not limited to: water and wastewater treatment plant upgrades or construction, street repair and upgrades, drainage, flood control, water supply, parks & recreational facilities, environmental mitigation measures, educational facilities, sewage collection & treatment, water distribution.	Acquisition, Construction, Equipment & Machinery, Planning	Not required.	Amounts of funding range from \$1M to \$65M with loan terms for useful life of project up to 30 years.  iBank uses a proprietary interest rate method to ensure borrowers have the best chance to receive below-market interest rates. Interest rates are fixed up to 30 years.	<b>Ongoing, rolling application.</b> Total funding program amount is \$100M.
<a href="#">Replacing, Removing, Or Upgrading Underground Storage Tanks</a>	Stormwater / Water Supply	Active	State	CA State Water Resources Control Board	Finance up to 100% of costs necessary to upgrade, remove, or replace UST project tanks to comply with Healthy and Safety Code.	Must be UST owner / operator and also: (1) be a small business, (2) be CA based, (3) facility of project tank location must have been legally in business retailing gasoline after Jan 1st, 1999, (4) all tanks owned & operated by grant must be in compliance	Typical projects include: removing / replacing single-walled USTs or piping, UST upgrades, under-dispenser containment boxes, electronic monitoring systems, leak detection testing.	Implementation / Infrastructure	Not required.	UST Operators / Owners eligible for \$3K-\$70K. Remote public fueling stations are eligible for \$140K additional funding. No period of performance.	<b>Ongoing, rolling application.</b>
<a href="#">Proposition 68 Rivers and Streams Grant Program (Severely Disadvantaged Communities)</a>	Climate Resilience / Coastal Protection / Habitat Protection & Restoration	Active	State	CA Department of Fish and Wildlife	For restoring and protecting rivers and streams in support of fisheries and wildlife. Priorities include reconnection of rivers with floodplains, riparian habitat restoration, protection of upper watershed forests and meadow systems.	Nonprofit, Public Agency, Tribal Government. Additional eligibility requirements apply to public utilities, urban water suppliers, and ag water suppliers.	Examples include: restoring / protecting riparian and aquatic habitat, reconnecting historical floodplains, modernizing stream crossings, restoring river channels, improving ecological function, improving local watershed management, restoring and protecting upper watershed forests / meadows.  Severely disadvantaged community has median household income of less than 60%.	Planning, Implementation, Acquisition	Not required.	Period of performance is 3 years.	<b>Ongoing, rolling application with some awards expected to be announced in Summer 2024.</b> Total funding available is approximately \$10M.
<a href="#">Water Recycling Funding Program</a>	Water Quality / Water Supply	Active	State	CA State Water Resources Control Board	Provides technical and financial assistance to agencies for water recycling projects that promote beneficial use of treated municipal wastewater. Applicants must comply with CWSRF policies and guidelines.	Planning grants: Only local public agencies are eligible to receive a planning grant.  Construction grants: local public agencies, 501(c)(3) nonprofit organizations, public utilities, Native American Tribes, mutual water companies. Dependent on funding source.	Include: recycled water treatment / storage / distribution, groundwater recharge, indirect potable reuse, and surface water augmentation.  Construction projects must offset or augment state or local fresh water supplies.	Construction, Planning	50% local cost share requirement. Cost share may be reduced for communities that meet DAC criteria under CWSRF	Period of performance through June 30, 2027. Grant is calculated at 35% of eligible construction costs up to \$15M per project.	<b>Ongoing, rolling application.</b> Total funding available is \$4.6M.
<a href="#">RMC Non-Bond Priorities Grant Programs</a>	Habitat Conservation/ Climate Resilience/	Active	Regional	San Gabriel and Lower Los Angeles Rivers and Mountains Conservancy (RMC)	The RMC awards grants and interagency agreements with the aim toward creating open space, habitat restoration, expanding green space in disadvantaged communities, and protecting the watersheds of the San Gabriel and Los Angeles Rivers, Dominguez Channel, and Catalina Island	State and Federal agencies, Tribal entities recognized by the US Federal Register or as a California Native American tribe, local public agencies (including water districts and school districts), local conservation corps, nonprofit organizations, Joint Powers Authorities	Projects must be consistent with RMC's enabling legislation (Public Resources Code, Division 22.8), Common Ground, its Environmental Justice and Tribal Consultation Policies, and existing and adopted river and flood control projects/plans. Projects should create, expand, and/or improve public open space throughout the region by improving access, habitat quality, water security, and wildfire resilience, as well as promote stewardship of the landscape via stakeholder involvement and long-term maintenance that will encourage environmental, social, and economic benefits	Planning, Implementation, Acquisition	Not required.	Typically \$300,000 - \$2,000,000.  Small grants may be awarded from \$50,000 to \$300,000	<b>Ongoing, rolling application period.</b> Applications will be submitted in two phases: a concept proposal and a full application. The concept proposal will first be reviewed by RMC staff before selecting which proposals will move forward to submit a full application.
<a href="#">Brownfields Revolving Loan Fund (RLF) Grant Program</a>	Brownfields	Active	State	California Department of Toxic Substances Control	Provides grants for two types of brownfield sites: hazardous substance release sites and petroleum sites. Grantees may also use funds for pre-cleanup site assessments and for environmental cleanup.	Local governments, Tribal entities, nonprofit developers not liable under CERCLA section 107	Funds cleanup and assessment related costs. Schedule meeting with program manager to discuss eligibility	Assessment, Implementation	Not specified.	Not specified.	<b>Ongoing, rolling application period.</b>