California Strategic Growth Council

AFFORDABLE HOUSING AND SUSTAINABLE COMMUNITIES PROGRAM WORKSHOP NOTICE

This round of SGC workshops will be comprised of an informational presentation and overview on the Affordable Housing and Sustainable Communities Program, including requirements to submitting a concept proposal. Small group or one-on-one consultation (depending on volume of requests) with AHSC Program staff will also be available to discuss project eligibility. To register for a workshop or request a consultation, please click on the registration links below.

Consultations will take place on the same day of the informational presentation at each location from 1-5 pm, and are intended to focus on projects that are ready to apply for 2014-15 AHSC funding. Exact time of consultation will be provided in advance of each workshop. SGC staff will attempt to provide consultations to all who request one, however, priority will be given to applicants proposing projects to benefit Disadvantaged Communities. For more information on how to determine project eligibility to benefit a Disadvantaged Community, please see page two of this Notice.

All workshops will follow the same time frame:

9:30 am to 11:30 am: Informational Presentation 1:00 pm to 5:00 pm: 30-minute small group or one-on-one consultations

WORKSHOP LOCATIONS

(exact locations are currently being arranged and will be announced by the end of January)

SAN DIEGO

Wednesday, February 4
Click <u>here</u> to register

LOS ANGELES

Friday, February 6 Click <u>here</u> to register

STOCKTON

Tuesday, February 10 Click here to register

SAN BERNARDINO

Thursday, February 5 Click here to register

BAKERSFIELD

Monday, February 9 Click here to register

OAKLAND

Wednesday, February 11 Click here to register

Agenda and meeting materials will be posted prior to the workshops. Please limit registrations to no more than two people per organization in order to allow representatives from other entities to attend. If you have any questions, please contact Kim Danko at 916-324-9766 or kim.danko@sgc.ca.gov. If you would like to request translation services, please contact Kim by Feb 1.

Instructions to determine Disadvantaged Community prioritization for AHSC Program consultations

Potential applicants will indicate whether they are applying for a project to benefit a Disadvantaged Community when registering using the links on page one of this Notice. To search Disadvantaged Community census tracts, click here. (If the project location selected appears in red on the map, it is in the top 25% of CalEnviroScreen census tracts. Click on the map, and the census tract number will appear. For projects where the majority (50% or more) is not located within a Disadvantaged Community, but meets one of the criteria detailed below, please use the census tract/s of the Disadvantaged Community/Communities your proposed project will benefit.

Affordable Housing and Sustainable Communities Projects: Projects will achieve GHG reductions by reducing vehicle miles travelled (e.g., increasing accessibility of housing, employment centers, and key destinations via low-carbon transportation options such as walking, biking, and transit).

CRITERIA TO EVALUATE PROJECTS

Step 1 – Located Within: Evaluate the project to see if it meets at least one of the following criteria for being located in a Disadvantaged Community census tract and provides a desirable benefit to a Disadvantaged Community.

Project must meet the following criteria focused on reducing passenger vehicle miles travelled, while addressing housing needs and other regional planning objectives for Disadvantaged Community residents:

A. A majority (50%+) of the project is within one or more Disadvantaged Communities and reduces vehicle miles travelled, and the project is designed to avoid displacement of Disadvantaged Community residents and businesses.

Step 2 – Provides Benefits To: If the project does not meet the above criteria for "located within," evaluate the project to see if it meets at least one of the following criteria for providing a desirable benefit to a Disadvantaged Community.

Project must meet at least one of the following criteria focused on reducing passenger vehicle miles travelled, while addressing housing needs and other regional planning objectives for Disadvantaged Community residents:

- A. Project is within ½ mile of a Disadvantaged Community and reduces vehicles miles travelled, and is designed to avoid displacement of Disadvantaged Community residents and businesses.
- B. Project includes recruitment, agreements, policies or other approaches that result in at least 25% of project work hours performed by residents of a Disadvantaged Community.
- C. Project includes recruitment, agreements, policies or other approaches that result in at least 10% of project work hours performed by residents of a Disadvantaged Community participating in job training programs which lead to industry-recognized credentials or certifications.