



# AB 617 Overview and Funding

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**CALIFORNIA**  
AIR RESOURCES BOARD

# Topics

- AB 617 Program Overview
- AB 617 Funding Overview:
  - *Implementation Funds*
  - *Community Air Protection Incentives*
  - *Community Air Grants*

# Community Air Protection Program



## Partner and Collaborate

Shared Goals and Values, and Building Trust



## Understanding the Community

Engagement, Air Monitoring, Emissions Inventories, and Research



## Regulatory Authorities

Rules, Regulations, Enforcement, Clean Technology, and Emission Controls



## Community Capacity Building

Program implementation, Community Air Grants, and Incentives

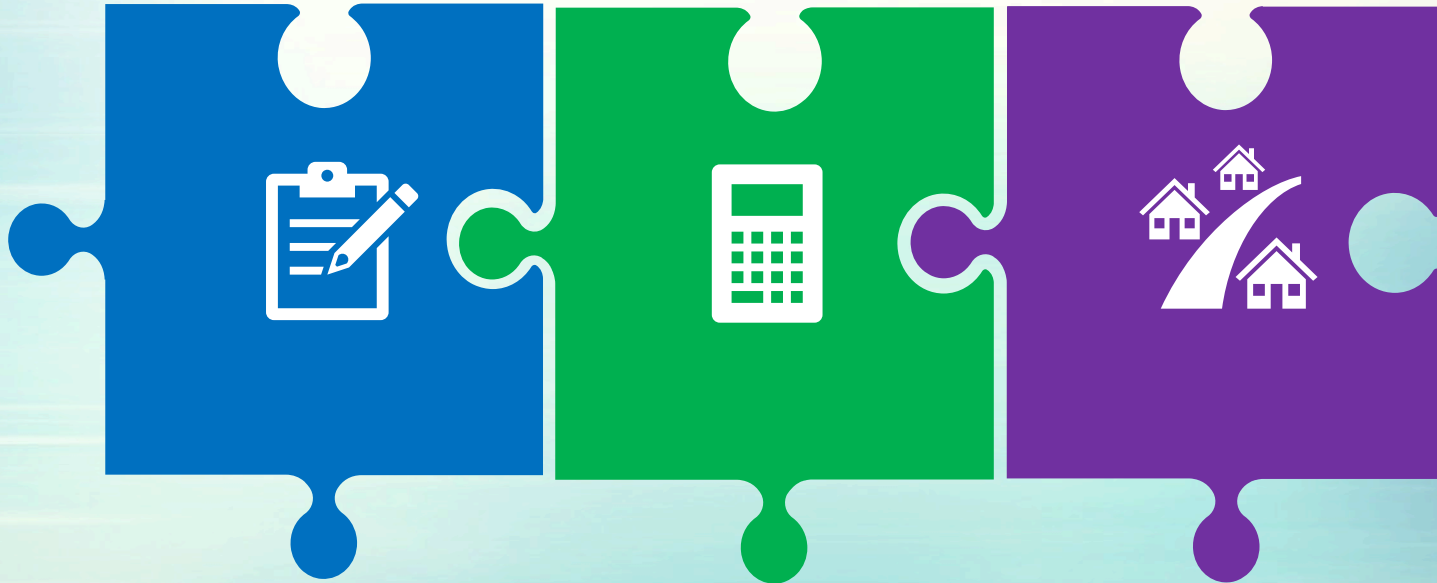


# AB 617 Funding Categories Work Together

Implementation

CAP Incentives

Community Air Grants





# Flow of *Implementation* Funds

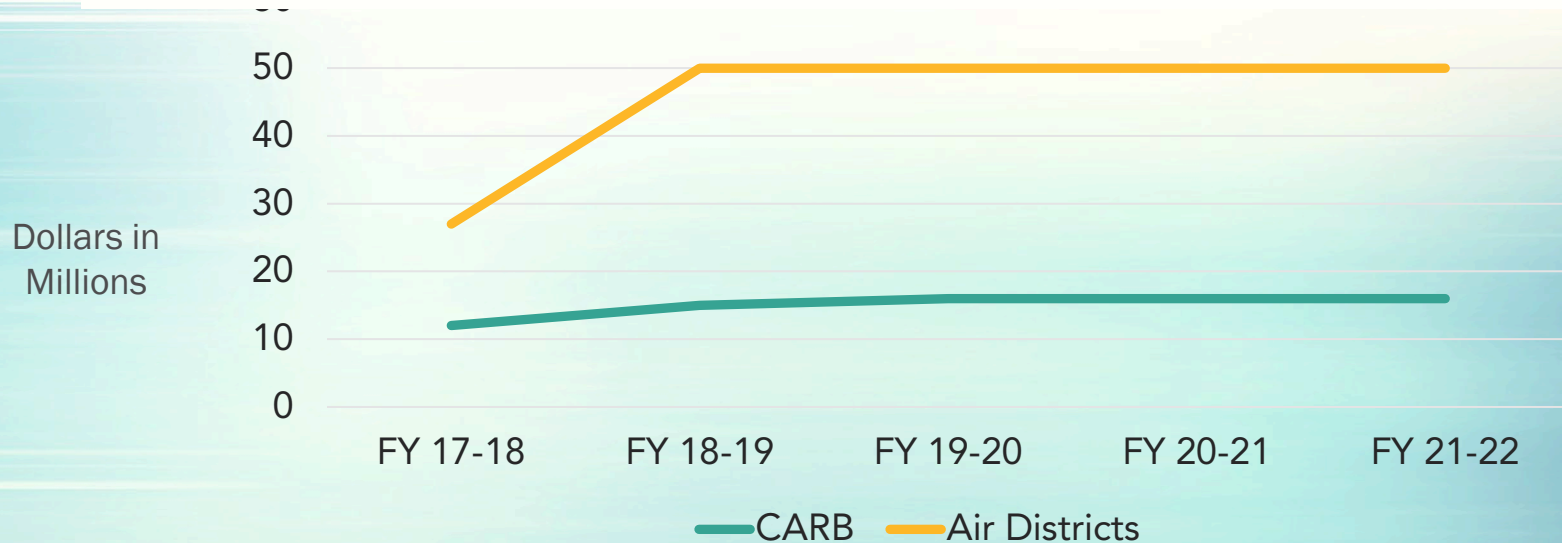
Legislature appropriates funds for Program

CARB works with Air Districts and CAPCOA on allocations

Air Districts use funds to administer program (staffing, equipment, facilitation, stipends, etc).

Air Districts submit annual reports to CARB summarizing how funds were spent.

# Implementation Funds Over Time



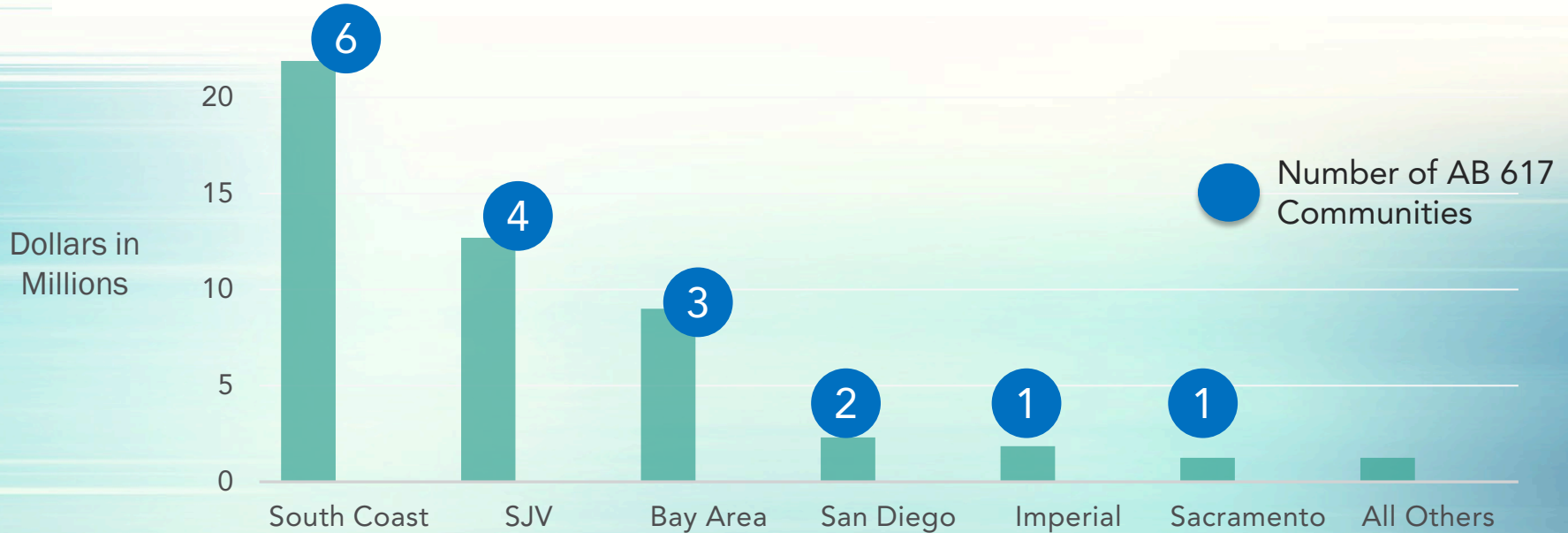
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# Implementation Funds by Air District

## Fiscal Year 20-21



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# Flow of *Incentive* Funds



Allocation



Guidelines



Administration



Appropriation

Legislature appropriates CAP incentive funds to CARB

CARB works with air districts to allocate funds.

CARB develops program guidelines.

Air districts enter into grant agreements with CARB.

CSC guides strategy priority and plan development



CSC CERP

## From the Legislature to Air Districts through CARB



Reporting

Air districts report annually to CARB.

Air district inspects the projects and pays the applicant

Air district signs contract with the applicant for the project

Projects are evaluated based on program guidelines

Air districts solicit applicants for projects.



Application

## From Air Districts to Projects in the Community



Post Inspection and Liquidation



Contract Execution



Evaluation



# Incentive Allocation Principles

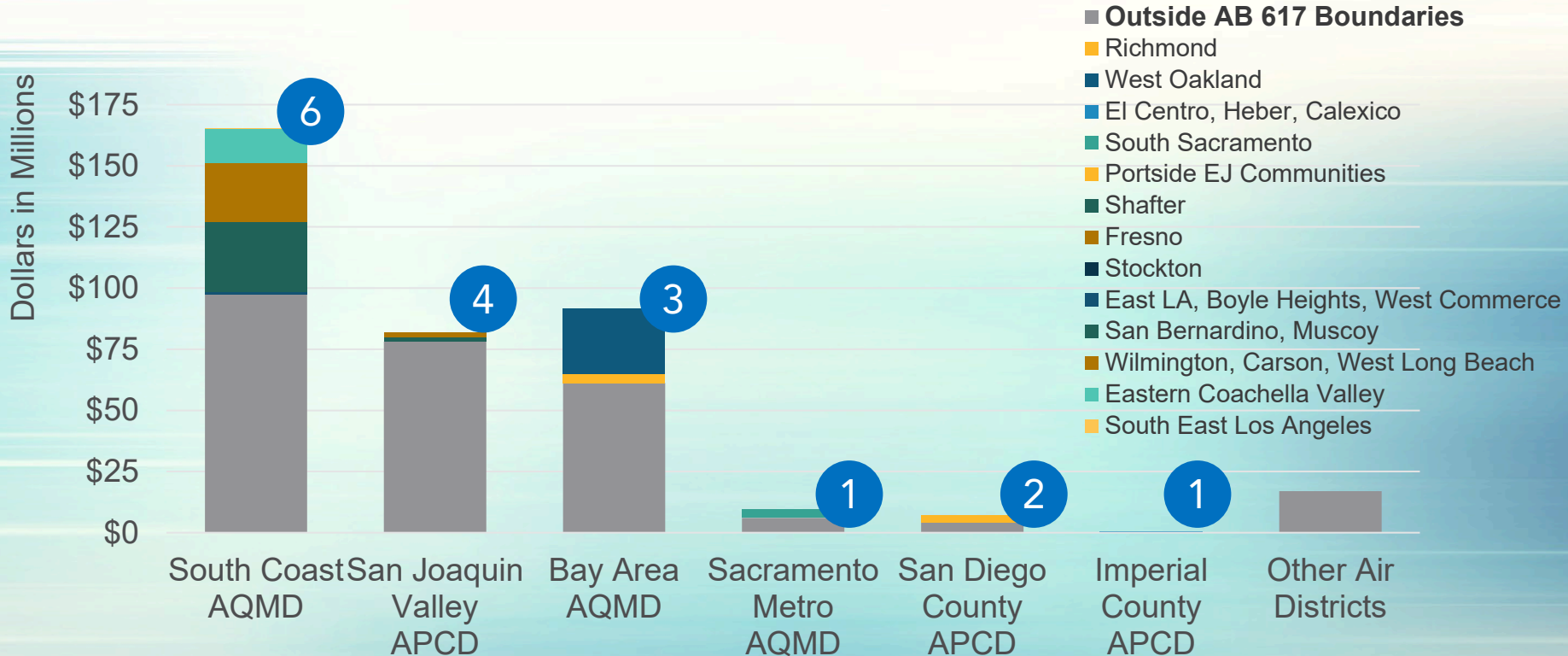
- Legislative precedent from first year of funding.
- AB 617 communities selected by CARB Board .
- Other communities that could be selected in future years.
- Opportunity for smaller Air Districts to implement projects in their disadvantaged communities and low-income areas.
- Per CARB Board, at least seventy percent of the incentive funds must be spent in disadvantaged communities and at least eighty percent spent in a combination of disadvantaged or low-income communities.
- **As a result, the primary consideration for the allocation of funds is the population of disadvantaged communities in each Air District.**

Community Air Protection Incentives allocation principles. (Chapter 3, Section B.1, Page 3-1)  
[https://ww2.arb.ca.gov/sites/default/files/2020-10/cap\\_incentives\\_2019\\_guidelines\\_final\\_rev\\_10\\_14\\_2020\\_0.pdf](https://ww2.arb.ca.gov/sites/default/files/2020-10/cap_incentives_2019_guidelines_final_rev_10_14_2020_0.pdf)

CARB Board Resolution for Community Air Protection Incentives Guidelines [https://www.arb.ca.gov/board/res/2019/res19-12.pdf?\\_ga=2.185181729.924256398.1629938112-866666437.1625871669](https://www.arb.ca.gov/board/res/2019/res19-12.pdf?_ga=2.185181729.924256398.1629938112-866666437.1625871669)

# CAP Incentive Funds by Air District

Total Expended as of May 2021 ~ \$372 Million





# *Community Air Grants*

## **Authorizing Legislation**

California Health and Safety Code, Section 44391.2, subsection (d):

The state board shall provide **grants to community-based organizations for technical assistance** and to **support community participation in the implementation** of this section and Section 42705.5 [AB 617].

# Community Air Grants

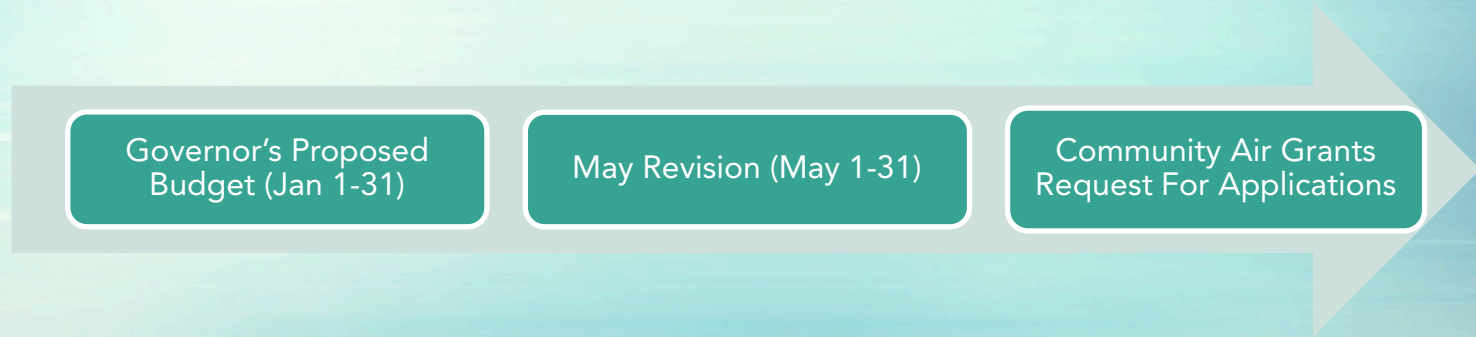
## Budgetary

FY	Appropriation	Budget Act	Relevant Language
17-18	\$5M	<a href="#">AB 134</a>	Up to \$5,000,000 shall be used for technical assistance grants for community organizations to fund activities that assist in their participation in the implementation of Chapter 136 of the Statutes of 2017. Eligible expenditures include, but are not limited to, hiring consultants and technical experts, and travel and other associated meeting costs.
18-19	\$10M	<a href="#">SB 856</a>	\$10,000,000 shall be used for technical assistance grants to community based organizations pursuant to subdivision (d) of Section 44391.2 of the Health and Safety Code.
19-20	\$10M	<a href="#">AB 74</a>	\$10,000,000 shall be used for technical assistance grants to community-based organizations pursuant to subdivision (d) of Section 44391.2 of the Health and Safety Code. These grants may be used to support community participation, including activities that enable meeting attendance, consistent with State Air Resources Board grant guidelines and agreements, in the implementation of subdivision (d) of Section 44391.2 and Section 42705.5 of the Health and Safety Code.
21-22	\$10M	<a href="#">AB 170</a>	\$10,000,000 shall be used for technical assistance grants to community-based organizations pursuant to subdivision (d) of Section 44391.2 of the Health and Safety Code. These grants may be used to support community participation, including activities that enable meeting attendance, consistent with State Air Resources Board grant guidelines and agreements, in the implementation of subdivision (d) of Section 44391.2 and Section 42705.5 of the Health and Safety Code.

# Community Air Grants Overview

Grants for technical assistance and capacity building are awarded via a competitive selection process, or a targeted selection process, according to program guidelines and requirements.

Money is allocated on an annual basis from GGFR in the Budget Bills, and the amount varies.




# Check out our CommunityHub for More Information

**CommunityHub**  
Tracking progress of CARB actions to support Assembly Bill (AB) 617.

This tool is currently under development and we are actively soliciting feedback. Please check back frequently for future updates.

Welcome to the CommunityHub, a dashboard tracking statewide development and progress of the AB 617 program. Each year, CARB staff partner with local air districts and community members to identify and recommend communities to develop and implement community air monitoring plans (CAMP) and community emissions reduction programs (CERP). CARB staff developed the CommunityHub to provide updated information regarding community air monitoring and implementation progress of community emissions reduction programs within the currently selected AB 617 communities.

Community Air Monitoring	Emissions Reduction Strategies	Funding Programs	Statewide Regulations	Enforcement Actions
				

<https://ww2.arb.ca.gov/capp-communities>