

Public Work Group to Discuss Technical Assistance & Capacity Building and Workforce Training & Development Investments for the Fiscal Year (FY)2021-22 Funding Plan for Clean Transportation Incentives

April 12, 2022

Welcome and Introductions



Agenda

- FY 2021-22 Technical Assistance & Capacity Building (TA/CB) Investment
- 10-Minute Break
- FY 2021-22 Workforce Training & Development Investment
- Future Funding









FY 2021-22 TA/CB Investment

Today's Topics for TA/CB

- Overview of California Air Resources Board's (CARB) Past Efforts
- Lessons Learned from Pilot (FY 2019-20)
- Proposal for Outreach TA/CB Program (FY 2021-22)

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Overview of TA/CB Efforts (FY 2018-19)

 Collaborated with Strategic Growth Council and the Local Government Commission for "train-the-trainer."



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 Ten Community Based Organizations (CBO) received grants for outreach on CARB's Clean Transportation Programs.

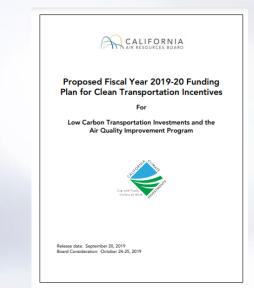


Leaders for Livable Communities



Overview of TA/CB Efforts (FY 2019-20)

- Funding Plan allocated \$1 million for priority populations through partnerships with local CBOs.
- Six CBOs representing historically overburdened communities received grants for capacity building.







Access Clean California: Lessons Learned TA/CB Outreach Pilot (FY 2019-20)



Pilot Goals

- Increase awareness and participation in clean mobility incentive programs.
- Build partner organizations' capacity to conduct data-informed community outreach.
- Create trusted relationships between CARB, Access Clean California, and partner organizations.
- Result in a reusable curriculum that organizations can use in future projects.



Selection Process

- A short screener was shared to ensure ineligible CBOs did not waste time applying.
- Hosted short objective interviews in place of lengthy written application
- Chose organizations based on the below criteria:
 - Geographic and demographic gaps in current clean mobility outreach
 - Organizations' potential to expand reach and impact
 - Alignment with organizations' mission, values, and existing services



Selected Partners

- Healthy Active Streets
- Kern Sol News
- Latino and Latina Roundtable of the San Gabriel and Pomona Valley
- Northern Circle Indian Housing Authority (NCIHA)
- People for Mobility Justice
- The East Oakland Collective



TA/CB Outreach Timeline

Q1 2021: Launched Pilot & Outreach Strategies

- Oriented fellows & partner organizations' staff to clean mobility programs
- Co-developed and implemented outreach strategies with staff and fellows

Q3-Q4 2021: Systematized and Scaled

- Provided support on identifying organizations' long-term strategy
- Fellows and partner staff prepared transition plan for post-pilot

Q2 2021: Measured and Evaluated

- Shared outreach efforts to identify common themes and learnings
- Provided technical support on creating data management systems

Q1 2022: Wrapped-up

- Partner organizations shared learnings with CARB and other stakeholders
- Provided career support to help place fellows post-fellowship



Outreach Highlights

- Pop-ups at Akoma Market in East Oakland's Black Cultural Zone
- Youth "Platica" at Jordan High School in Long Beach (Healthy Active Streets)
- Tabling at vaccination clinics in Kern County (Kern Sol News)
- Bike giveaways in South Los Angeles (People for Mobility Justice)
- Educational mailers to Tribal members in Mendocino and Butte County (NCIHA)
- Yoga and learning in the park







Metrics

80% of participating CBOs would strongly recommend this program to other organizations they know.

50% of partners reported increase in ability to use data-driven approaches in their outreach programs.

20+ workshops, trainings, and networking events with reusable materials

Majority of participating CBOs reported improved relationships with CARB and other public agencies.



Highlights

- Innovative, community-centered, outreach
- Popular workshops measurably increased CBO skills
- High satisfaction with 1:1 support from Access Clean California (ACCess) staff
- Valuable coaching from external consultants
- Successful partnership with Strategic Growth Council's Partners Advancing Climate Equity program
- Impactful professional development for fellows



Lessons Learned

- **Multi-year investment** would allow longer onboarding process, provide ability to cope with waitlists/difficulties in programs, and strengthen relationships.
- Invest in CBO staff rather than temporary staff (fellows). The onboarding and training of fellows limited CBOs' capacity to focus on other areas.
- Flexible structure enabled pivoting and adapting in response to feedback, but should be paired with clear, attainable goals.
 - Balance flexibility between outreach and organization's mission.
- 1:1 availability of ACCess staff was essential to relationship building and completion of administrative responsibilities.









Proposal for Outreach TA/CB (FY 2021-22)

Goals for Future TA/CB Outreach

- Build the capacity of CBOs to achieve their mission and conduct data-informed community outreach, including CARB's Clean Transportation Programs.
- Empower historically underserved communities with knowledge of CARB's Clean Transportation Programs and increase access to Clean Transportation funding.
- Foster sustainable and long-term relationships between priority populations and CARB.



Proposed Framework



\$1 Million Budget

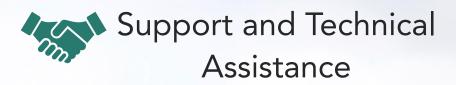
6-10 Community Based Organizations

2-Year Timeframe Access Clean California



Funding and Support to CBOs





- Staff support
- Outreach activities
- Administrative and implementation costs
- Technology costs

- 1:1 Support from GRID Alternatives
- External training
- Materials and other resources



Questions and Comments

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Discussion

- What should be considered when prioritizing communities for Outreach TA/CB?
- Are there any additional recommended goals future Outreach TA/CB?
- Are there any suggested changes to the Outreach TA/CB framework?



10-Minute Break





FY 2021-22 Workforce Training and Development Investment

Workgroup Meeting #2

Today's Topics for Workforce Training & Development

- Background
- Partnership with California Energy Commission
- Questions and Comments
- Proposed FY 2021-2022 Workforce Training & Development Investment
- Questions and Comments

Low Carbon Transportation Investments and AQIP Meetings and Workshops - California Air Resources Board



Background

- Senate Bill (SB) 350 Barriers Report called for community investment in workforce training and development.
- Clean transportation programs require holistic approach to:
 - Train and transition the workforce for clean transportation adoption.
 - Support economic recovery and a sustainable workforce.



Background, Continued

- Led to dedicated FY 2021-22 workforce funding allocation
 - First public work group held July 2021 to discuss concepts
 - CARB staff worked to refine proposal July 2021–March 2022
 - CARB's Board approved the \$1.5 million allocation in November 2022
- Mobility project workforce investments are ongoing.



Summary of Feedback Received

- Invest in dealership training in impacted communities.
- Partner with adult and vocational school programs (non-traditional partners) that are typically overlooked for State funding opportunities.
- Support Assembly Bill 841 and charging infrastructure training needs statewide.
- Consider high-roads principles, including access to and pathways for good quality clean transportation jobs.



Importance of Collaboration and Partnerships

- Expands existing workforce training and development programs
- Minimizes duplication
- Leverages funding and maximizes benefits and impacts of investments
- Allows for mutual learning and sharing of lessons



Partnership with the California Energy Commission

- Clean Transportation Program Workforce Investments
- IDEAL Zero-Emission Vehicle Workforce Pilot Project
- SB 589 (Hueso, Ch. 732, Stats. 2021)

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FY 2021-22 Workforce Training & Development Investment

Proposal: Bolster existing adult and vocational school programs and partnerships.

Objectives:

- Expand reach of clean transportation workforce training and development programs in underserved communities and support curriculum for zero-emission technology.
- Prioritize workforce equity.
- Expand partnerships to support community identified workforce needs.



Investment/Program Considerations

- Focuses on clean transportation or transition to zero-emission
- Supports regional programs serving most underserved communities
- Provides longer-term sustainability in communities
- Builds capacity to access future funding opportunities
- Focuses on hands-on, practical application and skill building/upskilling
- Prioritizes high-school and younger education as part of curriculum to boost awareness
- Provides clear pathways to quality employment opportunities (e.g., higher wages, health benefits, etc.)



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Discussion

• What goals and objectives are we missing?

• Are there existing efforts that fit CARB's investment goals that we should be aware of?

 Are there specific vocational schools in California, especially in underserved communities, that CARB should consider for leveraging opportunities?



Workforce Training & Development Investment Timeframe

FY 2021-22 Workforce Training and Development Planned Schedule:

Partner with Adult or Vocational School by Late Summer 2022

FY 2022-23 Funding Plan for Clean Transportation Incentives:

 Efforts to prioritize workforce training and development and integrate workforce access and equity into existing projects



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Future Funding

FY 22-23 Funding Plan Development Milestones:

- Mid-May: Governor releases revised FY 22-23 Budget Proposal
- Late May: Work group meetings for Long-Term Plan
- March-July: Various project-focused work group meetings
- Summer 2022: Final Funding Plan Workshop
- Fall 2022: Proposed Funding Plan released
- Late Fall 2022: CARB Board Hearing to consider Funding Plan

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Meeting Adjourned
Thank you.

