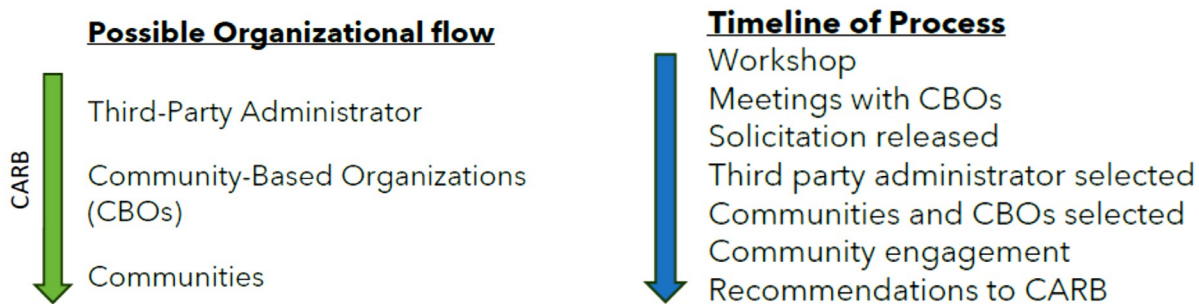


Community Grant Overview

The California State Budget allocated \$5 million in funding for community grants in conjunction with the methane satellite data purchase. This will fund community outreach efforts for follow-up and to ensure satellite methane observations are accessible, understandable, and useful to communities.



The grant solicitation is open to California-based public entities (e.g., public agencies, municipalities, counties, special districts) or California-based non-profit organizations with knowledge and experience working with CBOs or grassroots community-centered organizations.

The total grant funding is up to \$4,750,000. Approximately \$250,000 will be set aside for CARB operational support for the grant, including travel, research, and other needs.

The role of the administrator is to:

- Award grants to and oversee CBOs in developing a community engagement plan.
- Work with CARB and CBOs to identify communities near areas with potential for future methane plumes (e.g., oil and gas facilities, landfills). The procedures for identifying these communities will be developed in conjunction with CBOs and will be open for discussion during the April workshop. This would include procedures for follow-up with the community about potential actions taken to address methane plumes detected.
- Work with CARB and CBOs to develop recommendations for how CARB can effectively develop resources (e.g., dashboards) to inform communities about methane plumes.
- Work with CARB and CBOs to develop training materials on how to access and interpret satellite methane data, including current scientific understanding of safety and health risks.
- Host monthly meetings with CARB and CBO representatives for the duration of the agreement.
- The grant agreement is expected to last three years.