

Gateway Cities Council of Governments AHSC
Housing Workshop
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### SB2

# Created the first permanent source of funding dedicated to affordable housing development

Year 1

50% Planning Grants
5% for Technical
Assistance

**50% Homeless Programs** 

Year 2 and beyond

70% Affordable Housing

15% middle-income rental5% production incentive10% farmworker housing



# **Program Goals**





# **Program Highlights**

Over the Counter Process

Non-Competitive

Eight Month Application Window Grant Amounts
Based on
Population

Priority Policy Areas Technical Assistance Available



## **Funding Available**

#### Minimum Grant

• \$25,000

Small
Up to 60,000
People

- Max
- \$160,000

Medium 60,000-200,000 People

Max \$310,000 Large
Greater than
200,000 People

• Max \$625,000



# **Important Dates**

Events	Dates
NOFA release	March 28, 2019
NOFA Application Workshops/Webinar	April 1 – May 1, 2019
Final due date for OTC applications	November 30, 2019
Housing Element adoption Housing Element compliance	By date of submission of the application By the time of award
Annual progress report submissions	By date of submission of the application
Anticipated end of grant term (expenditure dates)	June 30, 2022
Technical Assistance Program	March 28, 2019 – June 30, 2022



## Requirements

- 1) Housing Element (HE) compliance
  - Refer to HCD website for compliance status
- 2) Annual Progress Report (APR) Submittal
  - 2017 or 2018
- 3) Demonstrate a nexus to accelerating housing production
  - Exception: Applicants utilizing Priority Policy Areas (PPA) automatically prove the nexus
- 4) Certify consistency with State or Other Planning Priorities
  - Self-certification



## **Policy Priority Areas**

Rezone to Permit By-Right

Objective Design & Development Standards

Specific Plans or Form Based Codes w/ CEQA streamlining

ADUs or Innovative Building Strategies

Expedited Processing

Innovative Housing Finance, Fees or Infrastructure Strategies



# Policy Priority Areas Get Faster Approval

Applicants proposing PPAs are automatically deemed to accelerate housing production without any further documentation or demonstration to the Department (unless mixing with activities that are not considered PPAs).

- Streamlines the approval process
- Applicants not utilizing PPAs must demonstrate their activity's nexus to accelerating housing production



# Eligible Activities Include, but are not limited to:

- Local process improvements that improve and expedite local planning
- Pre-approved site plans
- Regional housing trust fund plans
- Other activities that demonstrate a nexus to accelerating housing production
- Costs of preparing and adopting the proposed activity

- May not be used for administrative costs of persons employed by the grantee for activities not directly related to the proposed activity
- Maximum of five percent may be used for administrative costs



# Innovative Ideas City of Santa Cruz ADU Program

- Update ADU ordinance
- Engage architects to create pre-approved prototype plans
- Community engagement events to educate public
- "How to" manuals
- Create partnerships that foster financing options

<sup>\*</sup> Learn more in the March issue of Western City Magazine





# Innovative Ideas City of El Cerrito Specific Plan

- Fosters High Quality Affordable Housing
- Form Based Code that regulates urban development
- Complete Streets Plan
- Infrastructure Analysis for needed improvements
- Environmental Analysis eliminates the need for project specific review

### **El Cerrito Affordable Housing Developments**



Hana Gardens
10860 San Pablo Ave - Under Construction
62 senior units (23 extremely-low, 39 very-low)
Status: Interest list closed; construction completion
est. summer 2018
Contact: Eden Housing, Inc., (510) 582-1460,
www.edenhousing.org



3 Ohlone Gardens 6431-6495 Portola Dr - Built 2015 56 low income units (10 units for special needs) Status: Wait list closed Contact: Resources for Community Development, (510) 526-4000, ohlone@jsco.net



2 Metro 510 (Creekside Walk) El Cerrito Plaza - Under Construction 19 affordable units (6 low, 13 moderate) Status: Interest list closed; construction completion spring 2018 Contact: Ravello Holdings, Inc., (510) 629-0326, Metro 510.cd@ fpimgt.com, www.liveatmetro 510.com/metro - 510-el-cerrito-ca/



10810 San Pablo Ave - Built 2007 24 moderate income units Status: Wait list closed Contact: Klingbeil Capital Management, (510) 525-3319, mjeger@ kcmapts.com, www.kcmapts.com/village-at-town-center-elcerrito-ca

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# Innovative Ideas City of Folsom Streamlining

Physical improvements to the Community Development customer service counter:

- New technologies
- Enhanced customer terminals
- Improved web-based platform for zoning information
- Public kiosk for project submittals
- Access to data and public records

**Nexus to Housing**: Planned improvements and software conversion will result in a more efficient, convenient, and cost-effective customer experience to streamline and facilitate housing production.





### **Technical Assistance**

- PLACEWORKS Technical Assistance Team
  - Made up of PlaceWorks, Ascent, Provost and & Pritchard, ILG and Policy Link
- Direct Assistance to Applicants
  - Grant writing (limited)
  - Review of ideas and draft applications
  - Identification of eligible activities
  - Housing element compliance
  - Annual progress reports



# ILG's Role in SB2 Technical Assistance

- Increase awareness about SB2 planning grant availability
- Connect cities with
   PLACEWORKS
   technical assistance
- Document best practices, housing success stories
- Provide a community engagement training and updating resources





### **Technical Assistance Providers**



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# Flexible Funding is Rare!

### **Tips for Success:**

- Be Innovative!
- Stay with the priority policy areas for faster approval!
- Get your application in early-There's just an 8 month window!
- Take advantage of the technical assistance- it's like having a free consultant!
- Remember, this is a noncompetitive, over the counter process for PLANNING FUNDS. This opportunity doesn't come along that often!





## **Gateway Cities SB2 TA Workshop**

### May 20-22, 2019

### This time is reserved for you!

- Housing Element Compliance
- Project selection
- Review draft application
- Assistance filling out the application





# 's the Gateway Cities









#### **Climate Action Planning Framework**

#### RESOURCES



#### DATA

- Gateway Cities
  GHG Inventories and
  Forecasts
- GHG Emissions
  Tracker
- Sateway Cities
  Climate Action
  Tracking Tool



#### **TOOLKITS**

- GHG Reduction Measure Toolkit
- Climate Change Adaptation Toolkit
- Public Engagement Toolkit



#### **GUIDANCE**

- CAP Framework User Guide (PDF)
- Model Climate
  Action Plan
- CEQA and Target Setting
- Implementation Funding and Financing





## **Gateway Cities SB2 TA Workshop**

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