



## East Bay Community Energy's Government Innovation Grant Questions

### Grant Overview

East Bay Community Energy's Local Development Business Plan (LDBP) highlights three grant programs. One of the grant programs, the Government Innovation Grant, provides financial support to EBCE's municipal partners for energy and climate programs that benefit our communities through reducing energy costs, increasing participation in EBCE's programs, or reducing environmental and social impacts of energy.

### Grant Eligibility

The applicant must be a City employee on EBCE's Technical Advisory Group (TAG). Each City is eligible to apply for up to \$12,500 in 2020. EBCE will make \$150,000 in funding available in this program cycle. Funds can be used for the following three activities:

- Pursuing grants or projects that achieve EBCE's mission of reducing energy usage, pollution, utility bills or energy related environmental impacts in EBCE territory.
- Adding members to City staff, such as fellows or interns, to support climate and social-related programs
- Funding a consultant to further project work related to EBCE's mission

### Reserve Grant Funds

Any funds not expended by the City within the current solicitation round will roll over to a reserve, that will be made available in next year's solicitation (June 2021). Funds can be reserved for up to two consecutive solicitation cycles. If the City fails to expend the awarded funds by the third solicitation cycle, the funds will revert back to the Government Innovations Grant budget for future distribution.

### Grant Evaluation

Evaluation	Scoring
Request of funds must meet one of the three activities outlined in Grant Eligibility	Pass/Fail

### Timeline

Solicitation to be posted on the EBCE website by March 4, 2020. An announcement will be made at the March Technical Advisory Group meeting. Applications are due June 30, 2020 by 5:00 PM. EBCE staff will select recipients of the grant award based on grant evaluation. A notification will be sent out within 10 days of completion by the applicant.

### Application

1. Applications are due [via Google Form](#) by June 30, 2020.
2. Please note that the google form application is available for Gmail users.
3. Grant funds must be spent within one year from application approval.
4. There will be a 6-month check in and an end of the year meeting.
5. Additionally, we request an end of the year report detailing the use of funds and program's success and lessons learned.



*For Non- Google Users Only.* If you do not have a google account, please send the requested information listed below via email to JP Ross at [jross@ebce.org](mailto:jross@ebce.org) using the following suggested template:

Introduction

Contact Name

Contact Email

Contact Phone Number

Contact Job Title

I am a staff member for the City of \_\_\_\_\_.

Proposed Use of Funds

Preferred Grant Award.

How will the funds be used?

- a. Pursuing grants or projects that achieve EBCE's mission of reducing energy usage, pollution, utility bills or energy related environmental impacts in EBCE territory.
- b. Adding members to City staff, such as fellows or interns, to support climate and social-related programs
- c. Funding a consultant to further project work related to EBCE's mission

Please describe the project work EBCE's Government Innovation Grant would support. (max 500 words)

What is your staffing capacity to carry out the proposed project work currently? (max 250 words)

The proposed funding supports project work that addresses which of EBCE's goals:

- a. Renewable energy
- b. Job creation
- c. Workforce development
- d. Energy efficiency
- e. Other

Who benefits from the proposed funding? (max 250 words)

How will you measure the success of funds? (max 250 words)

EBCE Resources

Please attach a budget of the proposed project including budget allocation of grant funds.

How can EBCE support your project's objectives non-financially?

Additional Attachments

Any additional attachments for EBCE review committee.

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