

Attachment A

County of Sonoma Consolidated Grant Report

Fiscal Year 2024-25, 3rd and 4th Quarters

This report consolidates updates from the nine reporting departments January 2025 through June 2025. It includes reflections on successes and challenges in applying for grants, identifies grant priority projects or needs, and provides a list of grants the department has applied for or has been awarded since January 2025.

Reporting Departments:

1. Agricultural Preservation & Open Space District (APOSD)
2. County Executive's Office (CEO)
3. Economic Development Collaborative (EDC)
4. Department of Emergency Management (DEM)
5. Department of Health Services (DHS)
6. Human Services Department (HSD)
7. Permit Sonoma
8. Regional Parks
9. Sonoma Public Infrastructure (SPI)

1 Agricultural Preservation & Open Space District (APOSD)

The Department's pursuit of external grant funding is based upon 2025 Ag + Open Space Grant (AOS) Objectives, which are aligned with the Board of Supervisors Strategic Plan and the Department's annual workplan. Staff uses a grant assessment form which determines if the grant opportunity is within the Department's scope and employees' capacity and would add value to the work and county.

Over the past six months, AOS has experienced both successes and challenges when applying for grants. Successes include the submittal of 5 pre-applications, invitation to submit 4 full applications, and the submittal of 7 full applications, all in support of a high priority conservation easement project that would protect a critical wildlife corridor, habitat and watershed, support working agriculture lands, and help mitigate climate change. In partnership with wildfire prevention peer organizations, Ag + Open Space also submitted a US Forest Service grant application to support wildfire resilience in one of the county's areas of highest risk in East Sonoma County.

The two grant activity areas that have been the most challenging are grant accounting and grant compliance. Accurate financial tracking is essential to ensure expenditures align with approved budgets and varying funding rules. At the same time, compliance requires strict adherence to each funder's requirements and regulatory guidelines. These responsibilities demand dedicated resources and expertise to avoid compliance issues and maintain funding.

FUNDING PRIORITIES

1. To support the acquisition of conservation easements over Sonoma County properties that reflect the County's commitment to the protection, restoration, and improvement of high value agriculture, natural resource, climate resiliency, hazard mitigation, light recreation, and associated open space lands; and

2. Funding to leverage the Sustainable Vegetation Management Program, in alignment with the Center for Law, Energy & the Environment (CLEE) report to further the County's efforts to build wildfire resilient communities.

ACTIVE GRANT APPLICATIONS OR AWARDS

Wildfire Resilience for Communities in Eastern Sonoma County

- a. Grant Name: **Community Wildfire Defense Grant**
- b. Date of application or notice of award: March 14, 2025
- c. Grantor: US Forest Service, Federal
- d. Amount: \$6.2M
- e. Status (Applied/Awarded): Applied

South Sonoma Mountain – Grove Property

- a. Grant Name: **Acquisition Grant**
- b. Date of application or notice of award: June 10, 2025
- c. Grantor: Wildlife Conservation Board, State of California
- d. Amount: \$2M
- e. Status (Applied/Awarded): Applied

South Sonoma Mountain – Rodgers Creek North

- a. Grant Name: **Acquisition Grant**
- b. Date of application or notice of award: June 10, 2025
- c. Grantor: Wildlife Conservation Board, State of California
- d. Amount: \$2.4M
- e. Status (Applied/Awarded): Applied

South Sonoma Mountain – Rodgers Creek South

- a. Grant Name: **Acquisition Grant**
- b. Date of application or notice of award: June 10, 2025
- c. Grantor: Wildlife Conservation Board, State of California
- d. Amount: \$2.6M
- e. Status (Applied/Awarded): Applied

South Sonoma Mountain – Skyline

- a. Grant Name: **Acquisition Grant**
- b. Date of application or notice of award: June 10, 2025
- c. Grantor: Wildlife Conservation Board, State of California
- d. Amount: \$4M
- e. Status (Applied/Awarded): Applied

South Sonoma Mountain – Grove

- a. Grant Name: **Sustainable Agricultural Land Conservation Grant**
- b. Date of application or notice of award: July 7, 2025
- c. Grantor: Department of Conservation, State of California
- d. Amount: \$1M
- e. Status (Applied/Awarded): Applied (invited for full application based upon successful January 24, 2025 pre-application submission)

South Sonoma Mountain – Rodgers Creek North

- a. Grant Name: Sustainable Agricultural Land Conservation Grant
- b. Date of application or notice of award: July 7, 2025
- c. Grantor: Department of Conservation, State of California
- d. Amount: \$1.5M
- e. Status (Applied/Awarded): Applied (invited for full application based upon successful January 24, 2025 pre-application submission)

South Sonoma Mountain – Rodgers Creek South

- a. Grant Name: **Sustainable Agricultural Land Conservation Grant**
- b. Date of application or notice of award: July 7, 2025
- c. Grantor: Department of Conservation, State of California
- d. Amount: \$1.5M
- e. Status (Applied/Awarded): Applied (invited for full application based upon successful January 24, 2025 pre-application submission)

South Sonoma Mountain – Skyline

- a. Grant Name: **Sustainable Agricultural Land Conservation Grant**
- b. Date of application or notice of award: July 7, 2025
- c. Grantor: Department of Conservation, State of California
- d. Amount: \$3M
- e. Status (Applied/Awarded): Applied (invited for full application based upon successful January 24, 2025 pre-application submission)

2 County Executive's Office

As the CEO grants program has been mostly focused on climate and resiliency funding, which is now undergoing a significant transition at the federal level, the past six months have involved navigating funding cutbacks, pauses, and program pivots. Most significantly, the County's \$10M USDA Partnerships for Climate-Smart Commodities (PCSC) grant was terminated, and the County and its partners are applying to the new grant program titled Advancing Markets for Producers (AMP). Staff is also closely monitoring the \$791,200 congressional appropriation for solar EV chargers, administered by HUD.

California's \$10 billion climate bond is an opportunity to advance projects in the upcoming years. While the funding is competitive, the County can be strategic in aligning internal and external collaboration to strengthen its position. In response to these shifts, the CEO has taken this time to review and improve its grants policies, procedures and training to build a more solid infrastructure for grant work across departments through the Strategic Grants Program.

FUNDING PRIORITIES

CEO staff is currently organizing the County's Climate Action Plan short-term measures and identifying potential funding sources that align with these priorities, particularly in anticipation of forthcoming Prop 4 Notice of Funding Opportunities (NOFOs). This includes exploring funding opportunities for projects related to clean energy, nature-based solutions, EV infrastructure, water resilience, wildfire resilience, and extreme heat mitigation. The goal is to proactively position the County to pursue State of California climate bond funding as it becomes available.

There may also be an opportunity for the CEO to expand its role to include tracking and coordinating funding applications that support additional Strategic Plan priorities established by the Board of Supervisors.

3 Economic Development Collaborative

EDC recently increased its capacity for managing grants by adding a Grants Analyst. This addition will provide support for programmatic staff when applying for grants. The biggest challenge in applying for grants is the current state and federal budget environments. With the cuts and impending cuts, grant opportunities from these sources have shrunk.

FUNDING PRIORITIES

- Internet Affordability, Adoption, and Digital Literacy Training
- Capital Funding for a new Ag Tech Innovation Hub
- Expansion of Business Diversity programming
- Support for arts and cultural organization capacity building

ACTIVE GRANT APPLICATIONS OR AWARDS

Digital Navigation Hub and Literacy Training at Sonoma County Libraries (Sonoma County application)

- a. Grant Name: **Get Connected! California Partnership**
- b. Date of application or notice of award: June 15, 2025
- c. Grantor: California Public Utilities Commission CASF Adoption Account with California Emerging Technology Fund (CETF) as the main grant holder, Foundation - pass through from State
- d. Amount: \$70,000
- e. Status (Applied/Awarded): Applied

Digital Literacy Training at various locations in Marin County, Mendocino County, and Napa County (North Bay North Coast Broadband Consortium (NBNCBC) application)

- a. Grant Name: **Get Connected! California Partnership**
- b. Date of application or notice of award: June 15, 2025
- c. Grantor: California Public Utilities Commission CASF Adoption Account with California Emerging Technology Fund (CETF) as the main grant holder; Foundation, pass through from State of California
- d. Amount: \$40,000
- e. Status (Applied/Awarded): Applied

Note: Sonoma County is the Fiscal Agent for the NBNCBC. If grant funds are awarded, they would flow through Sonoma County before distribution to consortium members.

4 Department of Emergency Management

The first and main challenge has been the federal grants landscape from January 2025 through June 2025. Due to the dramatic uncertainty in future funding, changing terms and conditions, and additional FEMA grant requirements (such as 25% cost share) going forward, the bulk of the focus was required to remain on how to navigate existing grants successfully. Additionally, Notice of Funding Opportunities (NOFOs) that historically have released during this period annually are still unreleased.

While the Department has shifted to seeking other grant opportunities—such as the Hazard Mitigation Grant Program (HMGP), there could be greater coordination when multiple County departments are applying for the same grants. Coordination would improve efficiency, minimize departments self-competing within the County organization, and increase opportunities to submit applications with a strategic approach. The CEO is looking to leverage the new Strategic Grants Program to address this issue through a pre-application support and coordination process.

FUNDING PRIORITIES

The U.S. Department of Homeland Security (DHS) State Homeland Security Program (SHSP) and Urban Areas Security Initiative (UASI) grants have historically been significant contributors to the Department's ability to build resiliency in the Operational Area through funding trainings, equipment, and shared resources. With the future of these grants in question due to new terms and conditions as well as a FEMA 25% cost share match requirement, funding will be needed to maintain and support the Operational Area.

ACTIVE GRANT APPLICATIONS OR AWARDS

Sonoma County Multi-Jurisdictional Emergency Transportation Gap Analysis and Plan Program

- a. Grant Name: **CDBG Mitigation Planning and Public Services (MIT-PPS)**
- b. Date of application or notice of award: 05/29/2024 Notification Date, 06/30/2025 Notice to Proceed
- c. Grantor: U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD), California Department of Housing and Community Development (HCD), Federal
- d. Amount: \$444,440
- e. Status (Applied/Awarded): Awarded (fully signed contract)

Sonoma County – Access and Functional Needs Communications Gap Analysis and Feasibility Study

- a. Grant Name: **CDBG Mitigation Planning and Public Services (MIT-PPS)**
- b. Date of application or notice of award: 05/30/2025 Notification Date, 06/03/2025 Notice to Proceed
- c. Grantor: U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD), California Department of Housing and Community Development (HCD), Federal
- d. Amount: \$421,900
- e. Status (Applied/Awarded): Awarded (fully signed contract)

Sonoma County Access and Functional Needs Communications Plan Implementation

- a. Grant Name: **CDBG Mitigation Planning and Public Services (MIT-PPS)**
- b. Date of application or notice of award: 06/05/2025 Notification Date, 07/11/2025 Notice to Proceed
- c. Grantor: U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD), California Department of Housing and Community Development (HCD), Federal
- d. Amount: \$499,400
- e. Status (Applied/Awarded): Awarded (fully signed contract)

5 Department of Health Services (DHS)

Homelessness

The Department has received funding for all grants expected. Existing funding has allowed DHS to maintain the status quo for operational needs.

Uncertainty of state and federal funding going forward as well as changing grant timelines with US Housing and Urban Development (HUD) and the State of California. For example, some grants have come off their typical grant cycle. These funds were not included in an annual DHS Notice of Funding Availability (NOFA) due to these kinds of delays and can cause more work for staff in order to follow proper procurement standards.

There has been a decrease in grant opportunities for future sustainability, specifically around outreach efforts. In addition, it has been a challenge to identify grants that can be used to fund homelessness programs.

Public Health

Several COVID grants were rescinded in the middle of the fiscal year. DHS had to scramble to stop work in order to prevent spends which would not have been funded. When a Court order restored the funding, the work had already stopped, and DHS decided not to continue.

DHS has not had other challenges yet from federal and state partners other than this. However, the department anticipates funding reductions in grants in the near future in several areas including emergency preparedness and disease control.

Behavioral Health

Behavioral Health was awarded the Behavioral Health Continuum Infrastructure Program (BHCIP) Bond Round 1 grant for over \$60 million to support the re-visioning of the facilities available at the Orenda Center location.

At the same time that the American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) grants were pulled back from Public Health, ARPA funding for Substance Use Block Grant (SUBG) and Mental Health Block Grant (MHBG) programming was rescinded from the Department. Programming continued as funding from other sources was redirected to continue the work.

The Department continues to have ongoing concerns about impacts on Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA) funding from policy makers in Washington.

FUNDING PRIORITIES

Homelessness

- Permanent supportive housing, rapid rehousing, emergency shelter, and street outreach. More funds should be moved from outreach to housing and shelter as resources begin to shrink. The Department also needs more funding for the regional homelessness prevention project (i.e. Keep People Housed). This project is funded through next year, but alternate funding should be considered after that date.
- Funding related to the delivery of essential services and support, such as helping individuals prepare for job interviews (e.g., haircuts, appropriate clothing), assisting undocumented individuals with housing deposits, and providing necessary household items when placing someone into housing.
- Identify more long-term funding that could be used to convert time-limited Encampment Resolution Funding staff to permanent. Current funding ends June 2026.
- Flexible funding that allows for innovative housing solutions, even if they are not permanent. This includes support to sustain and improve the two existing shelter sites. Additionally, the Department needs funding that can assist individuals in securing and maintaining housing—such as help with security deposits, rental subsidies, utility assistance, and essential household items.
- The Department also requires resources to address other critical needs that often act as barriers to stability, including vehicle repairs, work-appropriate clothing, and other unforeseen but necessary expenses that support clients in making progress toward self-sufficiency.

Behavioral Health

The Department intends to pursue funding through the BHCIP Round 2 funding to add a second Psychiatric Health Facility to the inventory of available second-level care beds in Behavioral Health. This will ease overcrowding in hospital emergency rooms.

Public Health

Healthy Communities: The Department will lose funding for the Healthy Eating Active Living program due to federal cuts of the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program – Education (SNAP-Ed) program on September 30 2025. DHS will look for funds to support the main program that took years to build up, The Healthy Apple Program for early childhood education. The Department will also be looking to continue staffing the integral role in other efforts to sustain and improve food systems, healthy school food, addressing hunger, and partnering with Vision Zero in regard to safe streets (there's a nexus with DHS in regard to increasing people's ability to walk, ride, scoot etc. to school/work and leisure).

Animal Services: The Department will be seeking grant money and donations for building renovations, which will be a heavy ask. Public Health would also like to seek grant funding to improve the livestock holding areas and money for larger cat cages for a couple of the cat rooms. There may be some other projects that come up throughout the year as well. DHS will also be applying for the Jameson Humane Disaster grant once again.

ACTIVE GRANT APPLICATIONS OR AWARDS

Homeless Housing, Assistance and Prevention (HHAP) – Round 5 (County allocation)

- a. Grant Name: **Homeless Housing, Assistance and Prevention (HHAP) – Round 5 (County allocation)**
- b. Date of application or notice of award: 2/13/2025
- c. Grantor: California Department of Housing and Community Development (HCD), State of California
- d. Amount: \$3,126,228.65
- e. Status (Applied/Awarded): Awarded

Homeless Housing, Assistance and Prevention (HHAP) – Round 5 (Continuum of Care (CoC) allocation)

- a. Grant Name: **Homeless Housing, Assistance and Prevention (HHAP) – Round 5 (Continuum of Care (CoC) allocation)**
- b. Date of application or notice of award: 3/13/2025
- c. Grantor: California Department of Housing and Community Development (HCD), State of California
- d. Amount: \$3,258,485.99
- e. Status (Applied/Awarded): Awarded

Coordinated Intake Expansion Project

- a. Grant Name: **Coordinated Intake Expansion Project**
- b. Date of application or notice of award: 3/11/2025
- c. Grantor: U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD), Federal
- d. Amount: \$585,617
- e. Status (Applied/Awarded): Awarded

Homeless Management Information System (HMIS) Expansion

- a. Grant Name: **Homeless Management Information System (HMIS) Expansion**
- b. Date of application or notice of award: 3/11/2025
- c. Grantor: U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD), Federal
- d. Amount: \$348,561
- e. Status (Applied/Awarded): Awarded

CoC Planning Project

- a. Grant Name: **CoC Planning Project**
- b. Date of application or notice of award: 3/11/2025
- c. Grantor: U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD), Federal
- d. Amount: \$207,734
- e. Status (Applied/Awarded): Awarded – pending receipt of grant documents

Emergency Solutions Grant Program

- a. Grant Name: **Emergency Solutions Grant Program**
- b. Date of application or notice of award: 6/2/2025
- c. Grantor: California Department of Housing and Community Development (HCD), State passthrough (Federal funds from HUD)
- d. Amount: \$202,323
- e. Status (Applied/Awarded): Awarded

Behavioral Health

The Bond BHCIP Round 1 “Orenda Campus” project

- a. Grant Name: **Bond Behavioral Health Continuum Infrastructure Program (BHCIP) Round 1: Launch Ready**
- b. Date of application or notice of award: 5/6/2025 (Notice of Conditional Award)
- c. Grantor: State of California Department of Health Care Services, State of California
- d. Amount: \$67,702,227.50
- e. Status (Applied/Awarded): Conditional Award

California Friday Night Live Partnership FY 25-27

- a. Grant Name: **California Friday Night Live Partnership FY 25-27**
- b. Date of application or notice of award: 6/3/2025
- c. Grantor: Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (Federal), passed through to Department of Health Care Services (State), then passed through to Tulare County Superintendent of Schools
- d. Source (Fed/State/Local/Private): Federal (pass through)
Amount: \$92,000 (\$46,000 per fiscal year)
- e. Status (Applied/Awarded): Awarded

Public Health

Jameson Humane – Funds pay for the annual lease Axon Body Cameras for SCAS field officers

- a. Grant Name: **Sonoma County Animal Disaster Preparedness & Response Grant**
- b. Date of application or notice of award: 3/3/2025
- c. Grantor: Jameson Humane, Private
- d. Amount: \$20,000
- e. Status (Applied/Awarded): Awarded

Dept of Justice Tobacco Grant Program

- a. Grant Name: **Dept of Justice Tobacco Grant Program**
- b. Date of application or notice of award: 6/20/2025
- c. Grantor: CA Dept of Public Health, State of California
- d. Amount: \$1,069,898.00
- e. Status (Applied/Awarded): Applied

Tire Enforcement Grant Program

- a. Grant Name: **Local Government Waste Tire Enforcement Agency (TEA) - Cycle 32**
- b. Date of application or notice of award: 4/1/2025
- c. Grantor: California Department of Resources, Recycling and Recovery, State of California
- d. Amount: \$105,194.00

- e. Status (Applied/Awarded): Awarded

National Priority Safety Programs

- a. Grant Name: **Child Safety Seats**
- b. Date of application or notice of award: 6/4/2025
- c. Grantor: State of California – Office of Traffic Safety, Federal and State
- d. Amount: \$127,917.49
- e. Status (Applied/Awarded): Awarded

Maternal Child Health Grant

- a. Grant Name: **Maternal, Child & Adolescent Health (MCAH)**
- b. Date of application or notice of award: 4/25/2025
- c. Grantor: California Dept of Public Health, Federal and State
- d. Amount: \$2,266,925.37
- e. Status (Applied/Awarded): Applied

California Home Visiting Program

- a. Grant Name: **Maternal, Infant, Early Childhood Home Visiting (MIECHV)**
- b. Date of application or notice of award: 4/25/2025
- c. Grantor: California Dept of Public Health, Federal and State
- d. Amount: \$491,536.00
- e. Status (Applied/Awarded): Applied

California Home Visiting Program

- a. Grant Name: **State General Fund Evidence Based Home Visiting**
- b. Date of application or notice of award: 4/25/2025
- c. Grantor: California Dept of Public Health, Federal and State
- d. Amount: \$627,178.00
- e. Status (Applied/Awarded): Applied

Tuberculosis Control

- a. Grant Name: **Tuberculosis Local Assistance Funding**
- b. Date of application or notice of award: 5/29/2025
- c. Grantor: California Dept of Public Health, Federal and State
- d. Amount: \$53,276.00
- e. Status (Applied/Awarded): Awarded

LabAspire Fellowship Program

- a. Grant Name: **LabAspire (AB 107)**
- b. Date of application or notice of award: 1/16/2025
- c. Grantor: California Dept of Public Health, State of California
- d. Amount: \$1,075,367.50
- e. Status (Applied/Awarded): Awarded

Department Operation Center(s) Enhancement

- a. Grant Name: **State Homeland Security Grant Program FY24**
- b. Date of application or notice of award: 1/1/2025
- c. Grantor: Dept of Emergency Management – County of Sonoma; Local
- d. Amount: \$24,286.00
- e. Status (Applied/Awarded): Applied

Summer Food Service Program Inspections

- a. Grant Name: **Summer Food Program**
- b. Date of application or notice of award: 2/4/2025
- c. Grantor: California Dept of Education, State of California
- d. Amount: \$17,100.00
- e. Status (Applied/Awarded): Awarded

Inspection and permitting services for Solid Waste Facilities in Sonoma County

- a. Grant Name: **Local Enforcement Agency (LEA) - Cycle 36**
- b. Date of application or notice of award: 4/30/2025
- c. Grantor: California Dept of Resources, Recycling and Recovery, State of California
- d. Amount: \$25,594.00
- e. Status (Applied/Awarded): Applied

6 Department of Human Services

Successes

- HSD has successfully applied for and been awarded renewals for the Department's long-term grants.
- Staff knowledge has increased as a result of the grants trainings provided by Witt O'Brien's, The Ferguson Group, and the National Grants Management Association.
- The CEO Grants Analyst has become a new resource for HSD.

Challenges

- Uncertainty around the federal government's priorities, leading to concerns around staff capacity to administer grants given potential funding cuts.
- Low County procurement thresholds preclude applying for grants that are short term, i.e. one year of funding, because formal procurements can take months. Preliminary discussions have begun with CEO and Purchasing staff.
- Lack of grant infrastructure and grant experience within HSD and at the County level.
- More cross-departmental coordination during the pre-application phase. For instance, HSD has been awarded California Department of Transportation funds to address the transportation gaps for older adults and people with disabilities but is not a transportation agency and does not have expertise in this area. Coordination with another department that has relevant programmatic or funder expertise would be a better approach on the front end. The CEO is looking to leverage the new Strategic Grants Program to address this issue through a pre-application support and coordination process.

FUNDING PRIORITIES

- HSD will prioritize researching and applying for grants that will fill the gaps that result from any federal funding cuts.
- The Area Agency on Aging will apply for a federal transportation grant, aligning with the Metropolitan Transportation Commission's goal of having a centralized Mobility Manager in every Bay Area County. The project addresses transportation access which has been elevated as a top need for older adults and people with disabilities through several recent needs assessments.

ACTIVE GRANT APPLICATIONS OR AWARDS

Sonoma County Job Link Homeless Veterans' Reintegration Program, Countywide

- a. Grant Name: **Homeless Veterans' Reintegration Program**
- b. Date: 3/17/2025
- c. Grantor: U.S. Department of Labor, Federal
- d. Amount: \$1,374,042 over three years
- e. Status (Researching/Applied/Awarded/Not Awarded): Applied

Cal Community Connect, Countywide

- a. Grant Name: **Administration for Community Living (ACL) No Wrong Door**
- b. Date: 7/1/2025
- c. Grantor: U.S. Department of Health and Human Services Administration for Community Living (ACL), Federal
- d. Amount: \$150,000 over two years
- e. Status (Researching/Applied/Awarded/Not Awarded): Awarded

7 Permit Sonoma

FUNDING PRIORITIES

- Hazard Mitigation Grant Program (HMGP) 2025 Notice of Funding Opportunity (NOFO)
- Staff are planning to submit three sub-applications to the California Governor's Office of Emergency Services (CalOES) by September 15, 2025. Each application will cap out at \$15 million and be focused on implementation of wildfire risk reduction activities, mainly in the BRIC program areas.
- Wetland Program Development grant; NOFO expected summer/fall 2025
- Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) Water Quality Improvement Fund grant; NOFO TBD; project would cover expanded vernal pool restoration area, outreach program development for stormwater, pathogen reduction strategies in Sonoma Creek watershed

ACTIVE GRANT APPLICATIONS OR AWARDS

Sonoma County Pacific Coast SLR Resilience Plan & Sonoma County North Bay SLR Resilience Plan

- a. Grant Name: **Senate Bill 1 Sea Level Rise Adaptation Planning Grant**
- b. Date of application or notice of award: July 3, 2025 (Date of application)
- c. Grantor: Ocean Protection Council, State of California
- d. Amount: \$2,049,486
- e. Status (Applied/Awarded): Applied

8 Regional Parks

There has not yet been an impact to any previously awarded federal grants. State budget uncertainties have slowed or paused some grant funding opportunities with state grant funding agencies the Department typically works with. This includes grant programs funded by Proposition 4, the voter-approved climate bond.

FUNDING PRIORITIES

The following represents the grant-seeking priorities, including specific alignment with Strategic Plan Objectives:

1. Invest in a climate-adapted parks systems, which include priorities to decarbonize and electrify facilities, equipment, and fleet; Create and redevelop resilient infrastructure in parks and facilities; Manage ecologically for landscape scale resilience; Prepare for and respond to future emergencies and manage risk on parks land and staff; Minimize and manage waste.
2. Make parks more equitable and accessible, which include priorities to consider equity to improve public access and tribal inclusivity by advancing Justice, Equity, Diversity, Accessibility, and Inclusivity (JEDAI) initiatives.
3. Implement strategies to reduce and/or manage the impacts of increased use by visitors on the parks, which includes priorities to expand visitor communications to address increased use; Maintain, expand, improve infrastructure to support increased use; Enhance programs to support increased use; Manage Natural Resource impacts from increased use.
4. Enhance visitor experience, which includes priorities to improve and standardize signage and branding; Improve existing facilities and infrastructure; Increase and diversify parks, programs, facilities, and recreation opportunities; Update and improve technology to.
5. Assure financial and organizational stability, which include priorities addressing Staff needs, including staff offices, storage, and yard needs; Improved interdivisional communication and collaboration; Sharing the impact of Measure M.

ACTIVE GRANT APPLICATIONS OR AWARDS

Monte Rio Redwoods Expansion – south of Monte Rio

- a. Grant Name: **Acquisition Funding**
- b. Date of application or notice of award: 12/20/2024
- c. Grantor: Wildlife Conservation Board, State of California
- d. Amount: \$8,000,000
- e. Status (Applied/Awarded): Awarded

Copeland Creek Trail – Petaluma Hill Road to Crane Creek Regional Park

- a. Grant Name: **Transportation Development Act (TDA) Article 3**
- b. Date of application or notice of award: 4/15/2025
- c. Grantor: Metropolitan Transportation Commission, State of California
- d. Amount: \$400,000
- e. Status (Applied/Awarded): Awarded

Mark West Creek and Wetland Restoration Project – Mark West Creek Regional Park and Preserve

- a. Grant Name: **Project Pre-Application**
- b. Date of application or notice of award: 6/17/2025
- c. Grantor: Wildlife Conservation Board, State of California
- d. Amount: \$2,000,000
- e. Status (Applied/Awarded): Full Application Requested

Resilient Coastal Redwood Forests – Monte Rio Redwoods, Stillwater Cove, Riverfront

- a. Grant Name: **Project Pre-Application**
- b. Date of application or notice of award: 6/26/2025
- c. Grantor: State Coastal Conservancy, State of California
- d. Amount: \$1,800,000
- e. Status (Applied/Awarded): Pending

Ice House Replacement – Spud Point Marina, Bodega Bay

- a. Grant Name: **Project Pre-Application**
- b. Date of application or notice of award: Aug/2025
- c. Grantor: State Coastal Conservancy, State of California
- d. Amount: TBD
- e. Status (Applied/Awarded): Invitation to apply

9 Sonoma Public Infrastructure

There have been fewer grant opportunities and a lower success rate for existing applications in 2025. Additionally, there are concerns about the potential additional requirements for accepting federal grant dollars (assistance with ICE, for example). The Department happened to be at the tail end of most of the existing grants this year, so staff has been focusing on closeout to help ensure the funding already secured is received before any additional program funding is threatened.

The Department has traditionally received federal funding (direct and pass-through) for larger infrastructure projects, and as those funding streams are less reliable/available, SPI is working to shift to smaller projects that could possibly be funded at the state level.

FUNDING PRIORITIES

Active transportation projects (bike lanes, sidewalks, crosswalks, etc.), flood mitigation, eucalyptus removal, roadside fire fuel reduction, Asti Bridge design and construction.

ACTIVE GRANT APPLICATIONS OR AWARDS

Connecting Cloverdale to the Bay (collaboration with City of Cloverdale and SMART train), Cloverdale

- a. Grant Name: **BUILD (formerly RAISE)**
- b. Date of application or notice of award: January 30 (application), July 16 (notice of rejection)
- c. Grantor: DOT, Federal
- d. Amount: \$13,549,700 (County portion: \$5,003,720)
- e. Status (Applied/Awarded): Not awarded

Lakeville Highway (Gate 9 to Highway 37)

- a. Grant Name: **Safe Streets for All (SS4A)**
- b. Date of application or notice of award: June 26 (application)
- c. Grantor: DOT, Federal
- d. Amount: \$26,000,000
- e. Status (Applied/Awarded): Applied