

# Climate Action and Resiliency Division

County of Sonoma, County Administrator's Office



## Climate Resiliency Fund Round #2

Sonoma County Board of Supervisors

October 25<sup>th</sup>, 2022

# OVERVIEW OF CLIMATE RESILIENCE FUND

## ■ **Climate Resiliency Fund (CRF)**

- \$10 million allocated (May 11, 2021) by your Board from PG&E Settlement
- Priorities developed by Climate Ad-hoc with staff, partner, & public input
- Proposals submitted for 19 County projects (*\$12.7 M total requests*)

## ■ **Round #1 Allocations**

- \$5,052,148 allocated for 13 projects in Round #1 (February 1, 2022)
- Unfunded projects to refine/re-scope and seek to leverage outside funds

## ■ **Round #2 Proposals**

- Climate Action & Resiliency Division staff provided feedback and recommendations to department staff on project scope & data
- Departments rescoped and re-submitted proposals (Spring/Summer)



# CRF ROUND #2 SUMMARY OF 10 PROJECT PROPOSALS

- **Public Infrastructure** (SoCo Pi, formerly Transportation and Public Works)
  - Facilities/Fleet: Electric Vehicle (EV) Park and Charge
  - Facilities/Fleet: EV ARC Chargers in Parks
  - Facilities/Fleet: Electrifying Patrol
  - Facilities/Fleet: Big EV Infrastructure
  - Sonoma County Transit: Fare Free for Youth
  - Sonoma County Transit: Fare Free for Youth plus Express Lines
  - Transportation: Bikeable Sonoma County
- **Regional Parks**
  - Rainwater Catchment
  - Climate Adaptation and Resiliency Plan
- **University of California, Cooperative Extension (UCCE)**
  - Promoting Managed Grazing



# ELEMENTS OF REVIEWING PROJECT PERFORMANCE

## Climate Action, Resilience & Equity

- Greenhouse Gas Mitigation
- Building Climate Resiliency
- Alignment with Climate Action & Resiliency Pillar
- Support from other Climate-related Plans, Tools, or Models
- Promoting Climate Equity

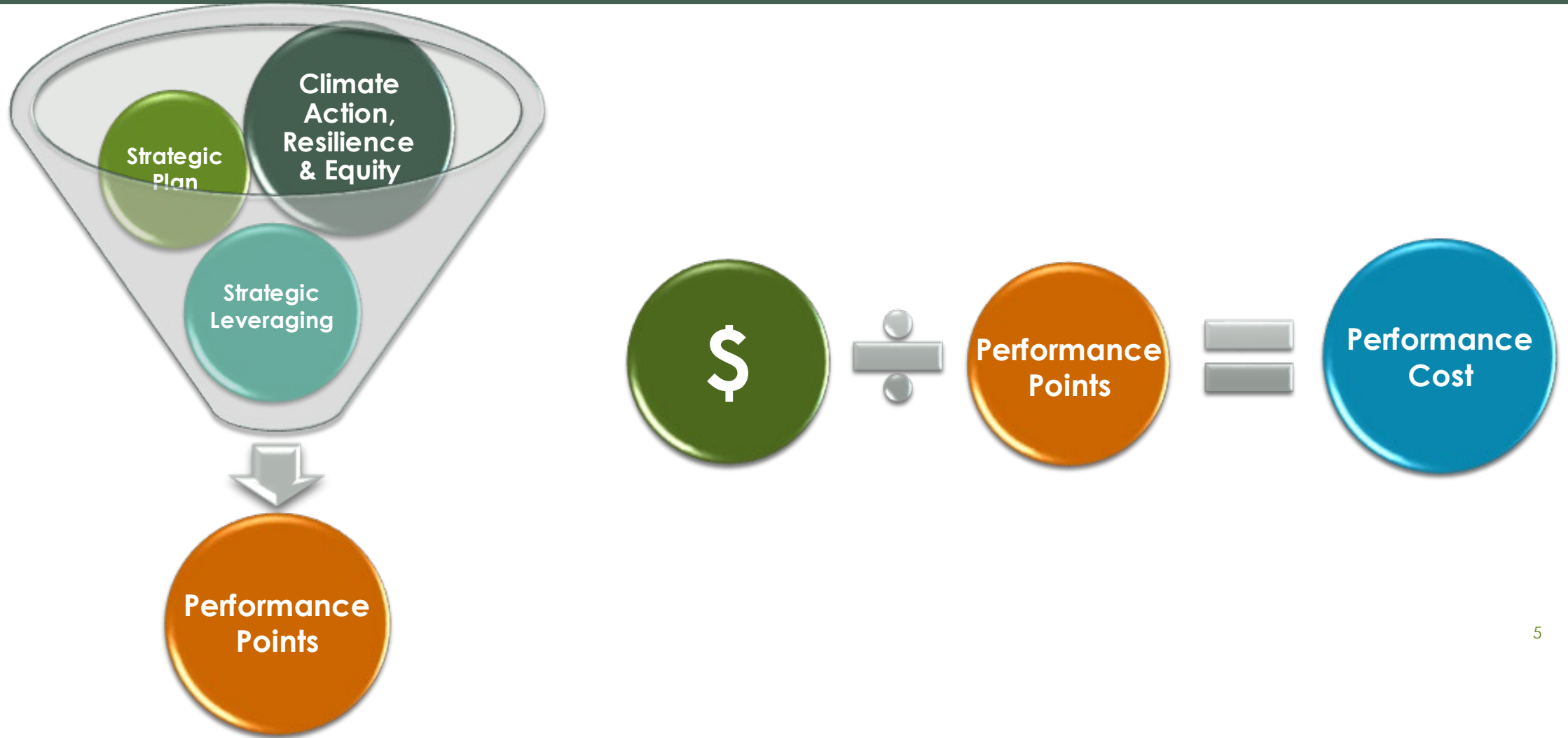
## Strategic Plan

- Support for Goals & Objectives in other Strategic Plan Pillars

## Strategic Leveraging

- Committed Cost Sharing
- Gateway Project for Future Projects, Expected Return on Investment, or Leveraging Partnerships
- Alignment with State or Federal Grant Criteria

# OVERVIEW OF THE FRAMEWORK PROCESS



CRF

ROUND #2

## OVERVIEW OF FUNDING REQUESTS



- Ten projects submitted; two are alternate proposals
- Total funding request = **\$6,548,236** (*includes more expensive alternate*)
- CRF Funds Available = **\$4,947,852**
- Projects ranked by **Performance Cost & Leveraging**

# CRF ROUND #2 PERFORMANCE COSTS

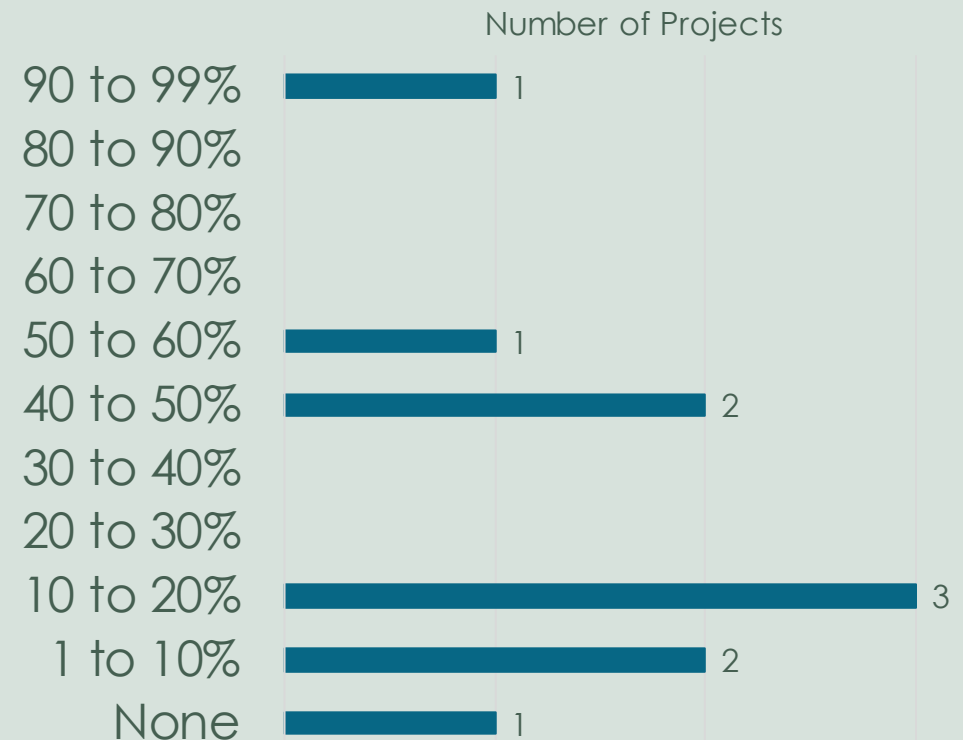
## Performance Costs

Performance Costs (PC) in Tiers:

- **Tier 1:** PC less than \$10,000  
*(4 projects)*
- **Tier 2:** PC between \$10,000 - \$20,000  
*(2 projects)*
- **Tier 3:** PC between \$20,000 - \$30,000  
*(2 projects)*
- **Tier 4:** PC between \$30,000 - \$40,000  
*(1 project)*
- **Tier 5:** PC more than \$40,000  
*(1 project)*

## Secured Leveraging

Secured Leveraging as % of total project cost:



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## ROUND #2 BASELINE FUNDING RECOMMENDATIONS

- Allocate funds to **all projects in Tiers 1 through 3**
  - Performance Costs less than \$30,000
- Allocate funds to encourage all projects to secure **at least 20% leveraging of external funds**
  - Fund at maximum of 80% County-controlled funding
  - Direct departments to apply for external funds to make at least 20% leveraging



# CRF ROUND #2

## BASELINE FUNDING RECOMMENDATIONS: FUNDING TIERS 1 – 3 $\geq$ 20% LEVERAGING

### Tiers 1 - 3 Projects at Equivalent to $\geq$ 20% Leveraging (Maximum of 80% County Funding)

Department	Project Name	Recommended Allocation	Total Project Cost (all sources)	% External Leveraging	Tier
Regional Parks	Climate Adaptation & Resilience Plan	\$ 100,000 *	\$ 250,000	20 %	1
Regional Parks	Rainwater Catchment	\$ 303,320 *	\$ 431,208	20 %	1
SoCo Pi: Facilities/Fleet	ARC Chargers in Parks	\$ 941,760 *	\$ 1,177,200	20 %	2
SoCo Pi: Facilities/Fleet	Electrifying Patrol	\$ 685,000	\$ 1,220,000	44 %	2
SoCo Pi: Facilities/Fleet	EV Park and Charge	\$ 100,000	\$ 2,600,000	96 %	1
SoCo Pi: Transportation	Bikeable Sonoma County	\$ 500,000	\$ 2,375,000	57 %	3
SoCo Pi: Sonoma County Transit	Fare Free for Youth	\$ 861,756 *	\$ 1,127,195	20 %	3
UCCE	Promoting Managed Grazing	\$ 300,000 *	\$ 375,000	20 %	1

\* Project recommended for partial funding based on their CRF Round #2 requested amount

# CRF ROUND #2

# TIERS 1 – 3 ALLOCATION BREAKDOWN

BREAKDOWN OF TIERS 1 - 3 PROJECTS BY % ALLOCATION

### Regional Parks:

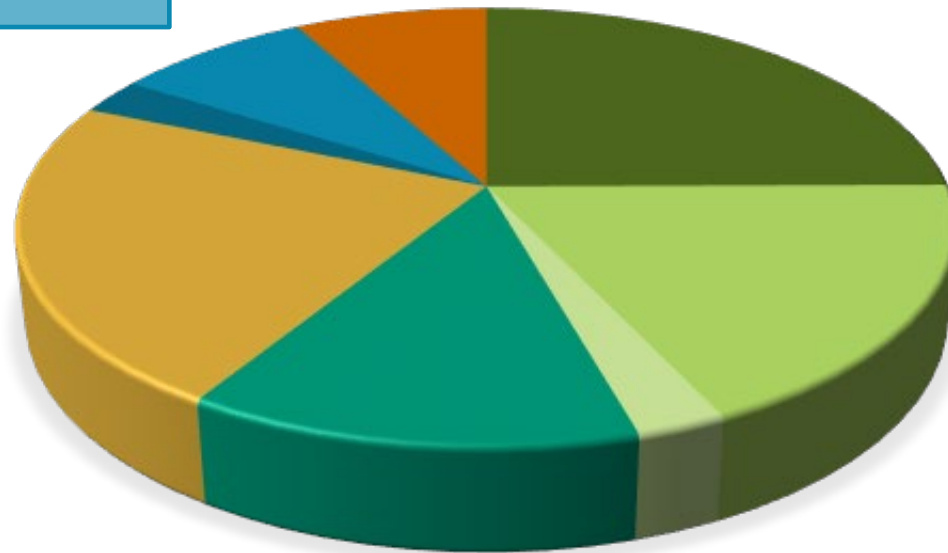
- Rainwater Catchment (\$303,319)
- Climate Action Resilience Plan (\$100,000)

### UCCE:

- Promoting Managed Grazing (\$300,000)

### SoCo Pi - Sonoma County Transit:

- Youth Fare Free (\$861,756)



### SoCo Pi - Facilities/Fleet:

- ARC Chargers in Parks (\$941,760)
- Electrifying Patrol (\$685,000)
- EV Park & Charge (\$100,000)

### SoCo Pi - Transportation:

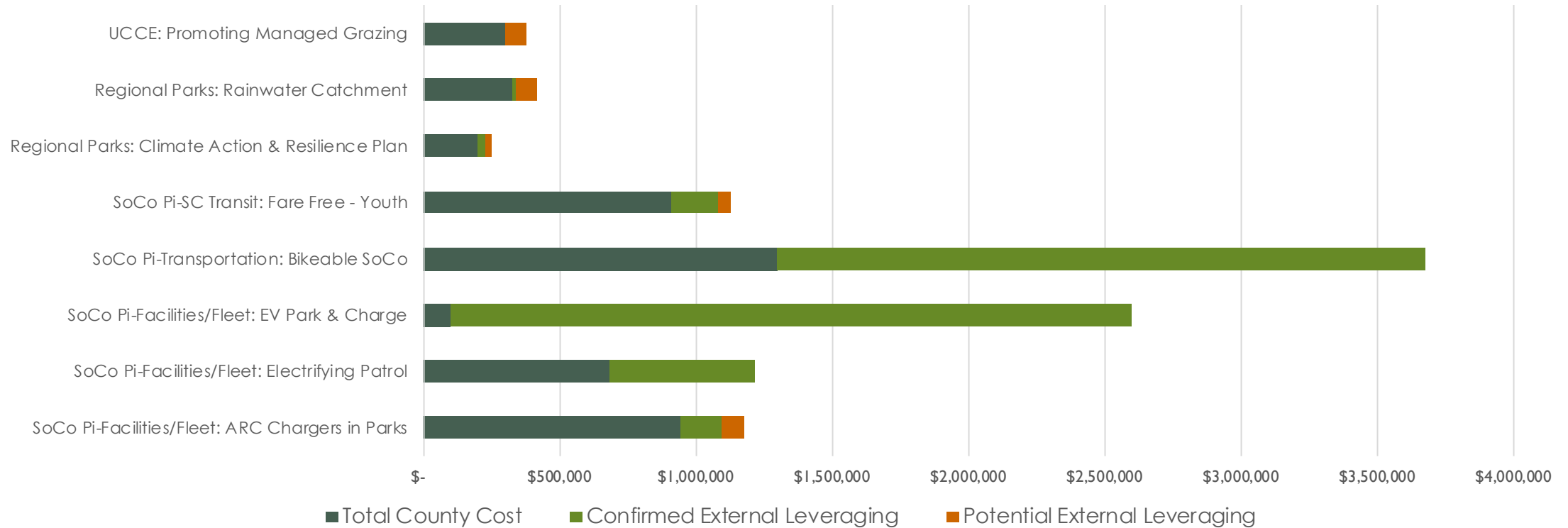
- Bikeable Sonoma County (\$500,000)

# CRF ROUND #2

TIERS 1 – 3

# POTENTIAL LEVERAGING OF OUTSIDE FUNDS

Tiers 1 - 3 Potential External Leveraging of Total County Cost



Round 2 Tiers 1-3 total County expenditures: **~\$4.8 M**

Round 2 potential external leveraging: **~\$6.1 M**

# CRF ROUND #2

## PROJECTS IN TIERS 4 & 5

### Tiers 1 - 3 Projects w/at 80% County Funding least

Department	Project Name	Requested Allocation	Total Project Cost (all sources)	% External Leveraging	Tier
SoCo Pi – Facilities/Fleet	Big EV Infrastructure	\$ 1,585,000	\$ 3,116,000	49 %	4
SoCo Pi – SC Transit	Fare Free Youth plus Express Line	\$ 1,771,475	\$ 2,471,045	7 %	5

**Tier 4:** Performance Cost between \$30,000 and \$40,000

**Tier 5:** Performance Cost more than \$40,000

### CRF Remaining for Allocation

CRF Available for Round #2 Allocation	\$ 4,947,852
CRF Baseline Allocations (Tiers 1-3 @ 20%)	\$ 3,791,836
<b>CRF Unallocated</b>	<b>\$ 1,156,016</b>

# CRF ROUND #2

# POTENTIAL FUNDING ALLOCATIONS FOR REMAINING FUNDS

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**Staff recommends** reserving unallocated funds to use as match for other County climate projects, with a required threshold of 50% local match (minimum 50% outside leveraging)

Alternatively, your Board could:

- Allocate to fund a portion of the CRF requested by Tier 4 and/or Tier 5 projects
- Allocate to the Fare Free Youth plus Express Lines project **in lieu of** the allocation for the Fare Free Youth project if:
  - CRF funding is capped at level corresponding to 20% External Leveraging (\$1,447,266)
  - Net additional cost: \$ 595,510

# CRF ROUND #2

# CONTINGENCY FUNDING RECOMMENDATION

**Pending Funding Request:** Staff submitted a federal funding request for a portion of the ARC Chargers in Parks project; the request is currently in the draft federal budget.

**Staff recommends:** Your Board provide contingency funding direction if federal funding is awarded to ARC Chargers in Parks that the CRF Round #2 funds awarded to that project either:

- Be released to the CRF for reallocation by your Board; or
- Be redirected to the SoCo PI Big EVs project

# ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

- **Funding Opportunities Identified:** Staff has identified available external funding opportunities for all projects proposed for Round #2 funding
- **CRF Round #2 Allocations:** In order to simplify the budgeting of allocated funds and make them quickly available, in Round #2:
  - Allocated funds will remain in the CRF and be assigned for use by the department/agency for the approved project; and
  - Departments/agencies will submit invoices to CARD for payment approval

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# Questions and Discussion





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