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NOTICE OF FUNDING AVAILABILITY

RE: California Schools Healthy Air, Plumbing, and Efficiency Program

Notice of Funding Availability

Funding Round Two
California Schools Healthy Air, Plumbing, and Efficiency Plumbing Program

The California Energy Commission (CEC) is accepting applications for Funding Round Two of the California Schools Healthy Air, Plumbing, and Efficiency (CalSHAPE) Plumbing Program starting at 10:00 a.m. on March 28, 2022. The application deadline for CalSHAPE Plumbing Program Funding Round Two is 5:00 p.m. on May 31, 2022.

This Notice of Funding Availability provides Funding Round Two information including relevant application dates, funding restrictions, total available funds, and a breakdown of funds by funding category and application tier.

Background

The CalSHAPE Plumbing Program is one of two grant programs under the CalSHAPE Program, established by Assembly Bill (AB) 841 (Ting, Chapter 372, Statutes of 2020). The CalSHAPE Plumbing Program provides grants to local educational agencies (LEA) and state agencies to replace aging and water inefficient plumbing fixtures and appliances with water-conserving plumbing fixtures and appliances.

As program administrator, the CEC has prepared the <u>CalSHAPE Plumbing Program Revised</u> <u>Commission Guidelines</u>, https://www.energy.ca.gov/publications/2021/california-schools-healthy-air-plumbing-and-efficiency-plumbing-program, which provide program structure information, application eligibility, and program requirements. Grant applicants are required to follow all program requirements including those outlined in Public Utilities Code (PUC) Division 1, Part 1, Chapter 8.7.

Funding Restrictions

LEAs must meet the eligibility requirements as specified in Chapter 1, Section D of the guidelines in order to apply for a grant. In Funding Round Two, grants are awarded only for projects at sites located in an "Underserved Community" as defined in Chapter 1, Section E of the guidelines. A CalSHAPE Public Geographic Information System (GIS) Webmap Tool is available to assist LEAs in identifying the schools that meet the underserved community requirements and qualify for funding in Funding Round Two. The CalSHAPE GIS Webmap tool is available to LEAs as an informational resource only since confirmation of eligibility for the CalSHAPE Plumbing Program is ultimately determined by the CEC. The CalSHAPE Public GIS Webmap Tool is available on the CalSHAPE Program Webpage, https://www.energy.ca.gov/programs-and-topics/programs/california-schools-healthy-air-plumbing-and-efficiency-program, under the expandable menu labeled Webmap.

Availability of Funds

The total funding available for Funding Round Two of the CalSHAPE Plumbing Program is \$65.35 million. If additional funds become available, subsequent Notices of Funding Availability will be posted and include available funding amounts.

The available funds for each funding category and application tier are provided in Table 1 below. The application tiers are comprised of a funding category as determined by the utility service territory location of the eligible site, and a tier (1, 2, or 3), which is based on the LEA student enrollment number. The utilities participating are Pacific Gas and Electric Company (PG&E), Southern California Edison Company (SCE), San Diego Gas & Electric Company (SDG&E), and Southern California Gas Company (SCG). Chapter 1, Section C of the guidelines provides the funding categories and information about the distribution of the funding for each category. Chapter 1, Section D of the guidelines provides detailed information on the application tiers.

Table 1: CalSHAPE Plumbing Program Funds for Funding Round Two
Funding Categories (M = million, K = thousand)

	PG&E Electric	PG&E Gas	SCE	SDG&E	SCG
Tier 1	PG&E-E1: \$2 M	PG&E-G1: \$1 M	SCE1: \$3 M	SDG&E1: \$2 M	SCG1: \$35 K
Tier 2	PG&E-E2: \$2 M	PG&E-G2: \$1 M	SCE2: \$3 M	SDG&E2: \$2 M	SCG2: \$35 K
Tier 3	PG&E-E3: \$16 M	PG&E-G3: \$3 M	SCE3: \$21 M	SDG&E3: \$9 M	SCG3: \$280 K
Total	<u>\$20 M</u>	<u>\$5 M</u>	<u>\$27 M</u>	<u>\$13 M</u>	<u>\$350 K</u>

Source: California Energy Commission

Application Process

School Plumbing Fixture and Appliance Replacement Grant applications must be submitted electronically using the CalSHAPE Online System (system). The system is available at https://calshape.energy.ca.gov. An LEA must have an account established in the system before they can apply. The CEC **will not** accept applications via email or fax.

As described in Chapter 1, Section D of the guidelines, an LEA may submit up to three applications in each funding round. However, each site can be included in only one CalSHAPE Plumbing Program application. If a site was included in an application in Funding Round One, the site will not be able to be added to an application in Funding Round Two or any other future funding round.

The information requested in the application is described in Chapter 3, Section B and Appendix A of the guidelines, and includes:

- Applicant information
- Site-specific information, including:
 - Project estimated start and end date
 - Information to identify and confirm existence of noncompliant plumbing fixtures and appliances, as described in Chapter 2, Section C of the guidelines
 - Cost of replacement, based on the details provided in the contractor estimate
- Attestation to self-certifications, which are provided in Chapter 3, Section B of the guidelines

The supporting documentation required by the LEA that must be uploaded into the system with the application includes:

- Proof of ownership or complying lease for sites included in the application
- Certificate of Good Standing for Charter Schools
- Letter of authorization for third-party applicants
- Site-specific contractor estimate
- Documentation identifying noncompliant plumbing fixtures and appliances

Written instructions and a video training for completing the application in the CalSHAPE Online System are available on the <u>CalSHAPE Program webpage</u> at https://www.energy.ca.gov/programs-and-topics/programs/california-schools-healthy-air-plumbing-and-efficiency-program.

Application Deadline

The application deadline for CalSHAPE Plumbing Program Funding Round Two is 5:00 p.m. on May 31, 2022. All applications submitted by the application deadline will be reviewed in the order received.

CEC staff will notify an LEA if there are any errors or inconsistencies in the application and the LEA will have 10 calendar days from date of notification to resolve the errors or inconsistencies and resubmit the application. The application will be rejected if it is not resubmitted within the 10 calendar days. If the application is rejected, the CEC will notify the LEA of this determination and the LEA may reapply as described in Chapter 3 of the guidelines.

The CEC will send a Notice of Proposed Award (NOPA) to those LEAs with approved applications instructing the LEA of next steps necessary to complete the grant agreement. The grant award funds will be reserved for the LEA after the required documents are received and approved by the CEC and the grant agreement is fully executed.

Grant funds will only be reserved for an LEA if funds are available in the applicable funding category and application tier when the required documents are received, approved, and the grant agreement is executed by the CEC. If the amount of funds in the LEA's funding category or application tier is insufficient to fulfill the total grant award, the LEA will be placed on a priority list for funding in order of the date and time the submitted executed grant agreement and required documents are approved by the CEC. The CEC will execute the grant agreement and the grant award funds will be reserved for the LEA when sufficient funding is available again in the funding category or application tier.

Public Advisor and Other CEC Contacts

The CEC's Public Advisor provides the public with assistance in participating in CEC proceedings. For information about how to participate in this workshop or to request interpreting services or other reasonable modification and accommodations, reach out via email at publicadvisor@energy.ca.gov, or by phone at (916) 957-7910. Requests should be made for interpreting services, reasonable modifications and accommodations as soon as possible but at least five days in advance of the workshop. However, the CEC will work diligently to meet all requests based on the availability of the service or resource requested.

Direct media inquiries to mediaoffice@energy.ca.gov or (916) 654-4989.

Direct general inquiries regarding the CalSHAPE Program to CalSHAPE@energy.ca.gov.

Availability of Documents

The <u>CalSHAPE Plumbing Program Revised Commission Guidelines</u> are available at https://www.energy.ca.gov/programs-and-topics/programs/california-schools-healthy-air-plumbing-and-efficiency-program.

Notices and documents for this proceeding are available in the <u>20-RENEW-01 docket</u>, https://efiling.energy.ca.gov/Lists/DocketLog.aspx?docketnumber=20-RENEW-01.

When new information is posted, an email will be sent to those on the calshape list server. To receive these notices, subscribe at the <u>CalSHAPE Program page</u>, https://www.energy.ca.gov/programs-and-topics/programs/california-schools-healthy-air-plumbing-and-efficiency-program.

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