

Transformative Climate Communities Program

Community-led transformation for a sustainable California



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TCC was established through the passing of SB 2722, funded by California's Cap & Trade Program. TCC is administered through the Strategic Growth Council and implemented through California Department of Conservation along with other partner agencies.

TCC main goal is to fund community-led development and infrastructure projects that achieve major environmental, health, and economic benefits in California's most disadvantaged communities.



Year 1, \$140 million implementation funds awarded

Project examples include, but are not limited to:

- Affordable and sustainable housing developments
- Transit stations and facilities
- Bicycle and car share programs
- Residential weatherization and solar projects
- Water-energy efficiency installations
- Urban greening projects
- Bicycle and pedestrian facilities
- Low-carbon transit vehicles and clean vehicle rebates
- Health and well-being projects



Collaborative Effort with Various Partner Agencies

Lead applicants are the Coachella Valley Association of Governments along with the City of Coachella. In partnership with County of Riverside, Fourth District Supervisor V. Manuel Perez the Transformative Climate Communities Planning Grant was awarded to the Eastern Coachella Valley.

Leadership Counsel for Justice & Accountability role is to engage the community from the initial part of the planning process to identify projects and programs led by the community to bring transformative change.



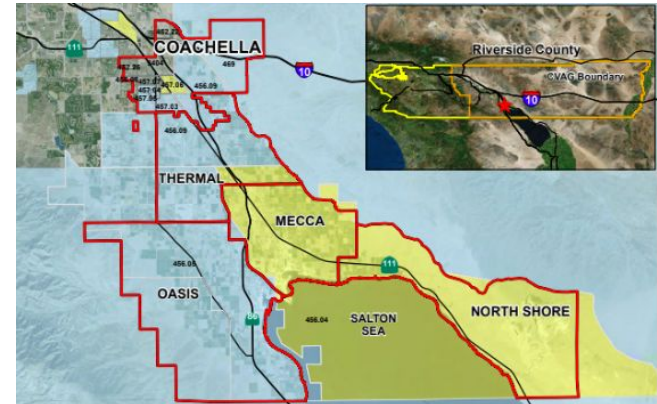
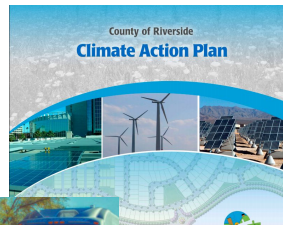
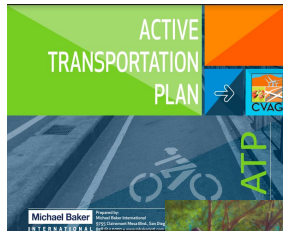
FOURTH DISTRICT SUPERVISOR
**V. MANUEL
PEREZ**
COUNTY OF RIVERSIDE



Year 2, 10 communities awarded planning grants

Eastern Coachella Valley is the **ONLY** rural community to have been selected for a planning grant of \$170,000 to create the **ECV Climate Resilience Action Plan**.

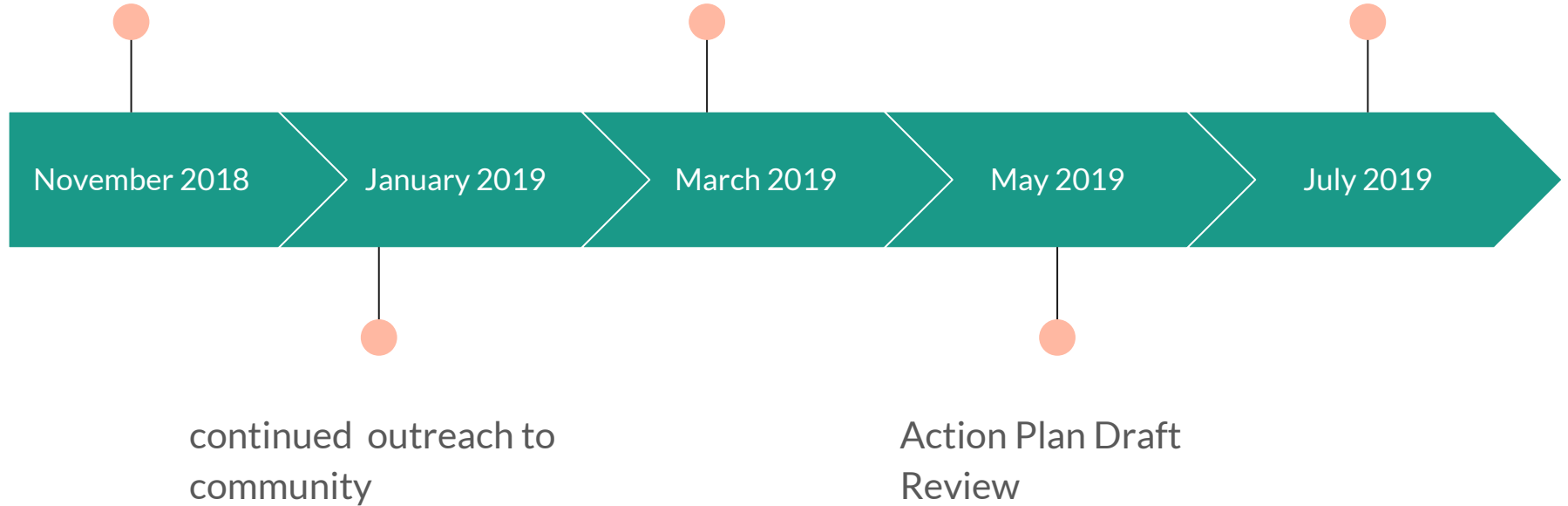
The Action Plan is designed to create a blueprint for a sustainable region. It will draw on existing plans but we hope to improve upon them with increased investment in transit, active transportation, basic infrastructure, adequate housing, urban greening and others.



Begin community
meetings & writing
plan

Continued outreach
and regional convening
goals & objectives met

Action Plan Final
Review



"I believe that the transformation of Southwest Fresno will be a success and will improve the lives of current residents."

—IVANKA SAUNDERS, RESIDENT OF SOUTHWEST FRESNO

TCC FRESNO COMPONENTS

- » 56 affordable homes
- » Install solar systems on over 200 homes
- » Provide energy efficiency improvements for 200 households
- » Over 2,500 new trees
- » Construct 17 acres of parks and community gardens
- » Increase frequency of local electric bus system
- » Create new electric vehicle- and bicycle-sharing programs
- » New West Fresno City College Satellite Site



BY THE NUMBERS

- » Project area: 4.9 square miles
- » Partners: 13
- » Emissions reductions: 28,400 tonnes CO₂e
- » TCC grant: \$70 million
- » Leveraged funds: \$85.5 million



ON OVER 
200 HOMES
INSTALL SOLAR SYSTEMS

TCC WATTS COMPONENTS

- » 216 new affordable homes
- » 10 new battery-electric buses
- » Vanpool and car-sharing programs with electric vehicles
- » Over 4,000 new trees
- » Solar panel installations on 300 homes
- » Energy efficiency improvements for 150 homes
- » 50 new mini-farms
- » New cooling surfaces for 4 schoolyards
- » 5 miles of new bike paths
- » 30+ blocks of streetscape, pedestrian improvements and urban trails
- » Over 300 construction and permanent jobs created
- » Over 500 new training opportunities



Watts Rising
Transformative Climate Communities

BY THE NUMBERS

- » Project area: 2.6 square miles
- » Partners: 17
- » Emission reductions: 69,041 tonnes of CO₂e
- » TCC grant: \$35 million
- » Leveraged funds: \$168.9 million

216 
NEW AFFORDABLE HOMES

4,000 NEW TREES 
MORE THAN

"We are finally getting a chance to make our community all that it can be after being overlooked for so long. Watts is worth it and Watts is rising!"

-PERRY CROUCH, WATTS GANG TASK FORCE BOARD MEMBER

TCC ONTARIO COMPONENTS

- » 101 new affordable housing units
- » Increased frequency in bus service
- » Transit passes for local residents
- » Planting of 365 new trees
- » Installation of solar panels on affordable multi-family developments and single family homes
- » Over 5 miles of bike lanes and 3 miles of sidewalk construction and improvements
- » New small business incubator space
- » Creation of Ontario Carbon Farm, which will compost green waste from local restaurants and provide job training and fresh produce opportunities for the community



"Having a range of projects designed to improve the quality of life for our residents is the kind of comprehensive approach we need to take to maximize our chances for success."

—MAYOR PRO TEM ALAN D. WAPNER

BY THE NUMBERS

- » Project area: 4.86 square miles
- » Partners engaged: 15
- » Emissions reductions: 19,700 tonnes of CO₂e
- » TCC grant: \$35 million
- » Leveraged funds: \$16.6 million

101 AFFORDABLE
NEW HOMES


OVER 

5 MILES
OF BIKE LANES 

AND

3 MILES OF SIDEWALK
CONSTRUCTION/IMPROVEMENTS

Eastern Coachella Valley November Input

- Affordable Housing
- Air Quality Issues
- Community center/kitchen/ garden
- Sidewalks
- Bike Lanes
- Bike and car share programs
- Transit projects
- Weatherization
- Air filtration
- Electric buses
- Urban greening and parks





Thank you!

Questions?

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