

Central Coast Resilience Practitioner:

Read the 4C newsletter for the latest climate news, events, and initiatives.

Welcome to 4C's newest member and collaborator: [Santa Barbara County!](#)

Join the Central Coast Climate Collaborative (4C)!

We welcome new members as we continue to develop and embark on exciting projects and initiatives.

Why join 4C? Benefits of membership:

- § Network with climate leaders and practitioners in the Central Coast region
- § Exchange knowledge re: best practices, replicable strategies and innovative solutions
- § Support regional grant funding proposals and initiatives
- § Up-to-date climate change news, resources, opportunities, events
- § Engage on state, regional, and local goals, policies, projects and strategies
- § Expand leadership and awareness on climate action and adaptive solutions
- § Participate in working groups on equity, higher education, and sea level rise, and more

**We have a sliding scale for membership dues depending on size and type of organization. Social and environmental justice groups join for free!*

See [Membership Form](#) for details.

Join now as we shape our 2020 Vision for the future of the Central Coast!

UPCOMING GRANTS, EVENTS AND INITIATIVES:

The latest in climate...

- **Stay up to date with climate related policy by checking out ARCCA's [Legislative Tracker](#)**
- **Read the Legislative Analyst's Office's Report: [Preparing for Rising Seas: How the State Can Help Support Local Coastal Adaptation Efforts](#)**
- **The Ocean Protection Council has released its [Strategic Plan 2020-2025](#).**
- **The [California Adaptation Planning Guide 2.0 Public Review Draft](#) is available for review and comment until March 31st!**
- **Take ~10 minutes to complete this [survey: Governance of Climate Change in Coastal Areas](#), an effort by UCLA and the University of Cádiz to understand how California is planning and implementing adaptation to Climate Change.**

Grants:

****We've updated many of our recently announced events with covid-19 related cancellations and postponements. Please carefully read below.***

NFWF National Coastal Resilience Fund Grants:

The National Fish and Wildlife Fund is investing in restoration and protection of coastal communities from the impacts of storms, floods, and other natural hazards and enable them to recover more quickly and enhance habitats for fish and wildlife. [More information \(RFP\) here](#). Pre-proposal deadline: April 8th, 2020.

Cal EPA Environmental Justice Grants:

The California Environmental Protection Agency (CalEPA) Environmental Justice (EJ) Small Grants Program offers funding opportunities authorized by California Code of Regulations Title 27, Division 1, Chapter 3, Article 1 to assist eligible non-profit community organizations and federally-recognized Tribal governments address environmental justice issues in areas disproportionately affected by environmental pollution and hazards. The EJ Small Grants are awarded on a competitive basis. [More information here.](#) Application deadline: April 17th, 2020

CNRA Urban Greening Grants:

The California Natural Resources Agency will be accepting proposals for the Urban Greening Grant Program from **March 9, 2020 through May 1, 2020**. The program, funded by the Greenhouse Gas Reduction Fund, seeks projects that reduce greenhouse gas emissions and provide multiple benefits. \$28.5 million in awards will be funded by this program. Applicants submitting the most competitive proposals will be invited to participate in the next level of the competitive process, estimated to begin Summer 2020. Eligibility and program requirements, including online submittal information, can be found at <https://resources.ca.gov/grants/urban-greening/>.

Events:

LGSEC Webinar: Explore a New Funding/Partner-Finding Platform from the California Energy Commission

Join the [Local Government Sustainable Energy Coalition \(LGSEC\)](#) on May 5th for a live demonstration of [Empower Innovation](#), a new platform created by the [California Energy Commission](#). Discover how your community can use this free tool to connect with cleantech companies, browse millions of dollars in public and private funding, and explore curated resources. Register [here](#).

Save the Date for the 11th Annual Statewide Energy Efficiency Forum (SEEC):

The [11th Annual Statewide Energy Efficiency Forum](#) takes place on June 22-23, 2020 **via an online platform (details TBD, check the website above)**. The Forum will gather a multidisciplinary audience of over 300 climate leaders to foster knowledge exchange, innovation, and mutual support to transition California communities from energy awareness to planning and action.

2020 California Adaptation Forum POSTPONED until 2021 (dates TBD)

californiaadaptationforum.org (August 18-20, 2020)

SCAG's Regional Conference CANCELLED

[55th Regional Conference and General Assembly](#) (May 6-8, 2020)

UCLA Climate Adaptation Research Symposium POSTPONED to September 21, 2020:

[Climate Adaptation Research Symposium](#) (May 8, 2020)

News:

§ *Many more great resources and events on the [ARCCA website](#)*

§ *Bay Area Climate Adaptation Network (BayCAN) [News and Resources](#)*

§ *Two news articles highlighting the connections between climate change and the current crisis:*

- [Coronavirus: Air pollution and CO2 fall rapidly as virus spreads](#)
- [Here's what a coronavirus-like response to the climate crisis would look like](#)