

Transformative Climate Communities

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Assembly Bill 2722 (Burke, 2016)

- Established the Transformative Climate Communities program
- Administered by the California Strategic Growth Council
- Program supports the “development and implementation of neighborhood-level transformative climate community plans that include multiple, coordinated greenhouse gas emissions reduction projects that provide local economic, environmental, and health benefits to disadvantaged communities”

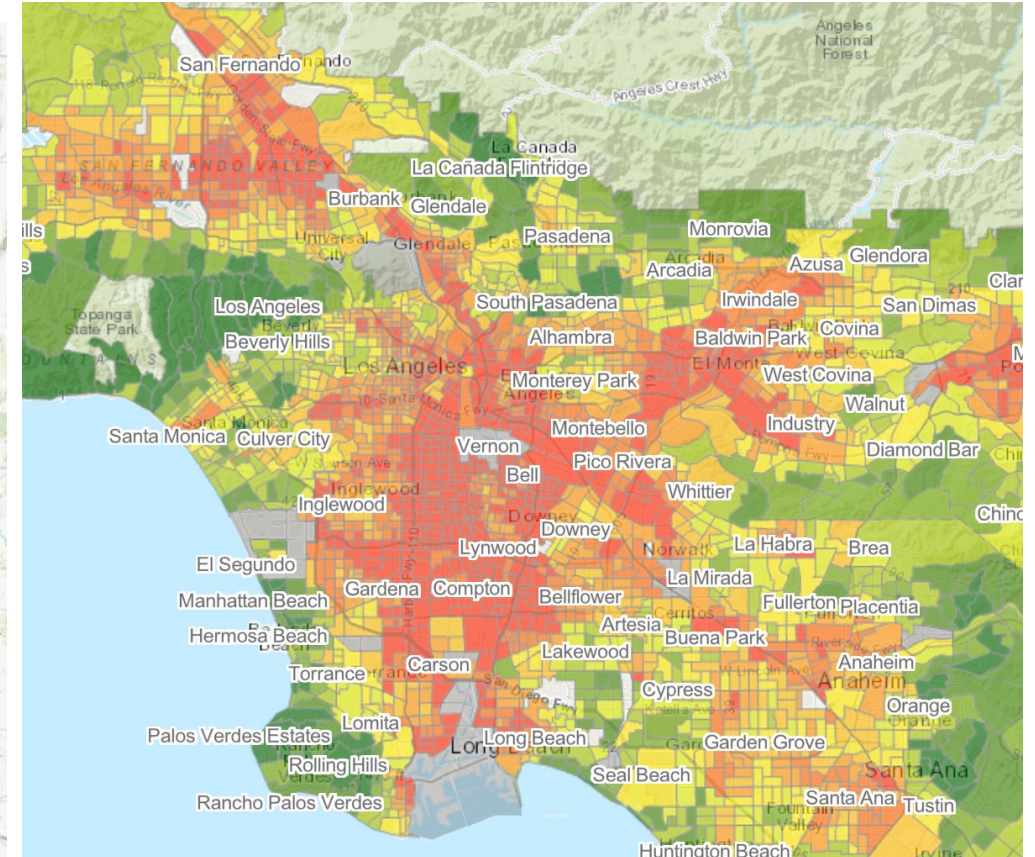
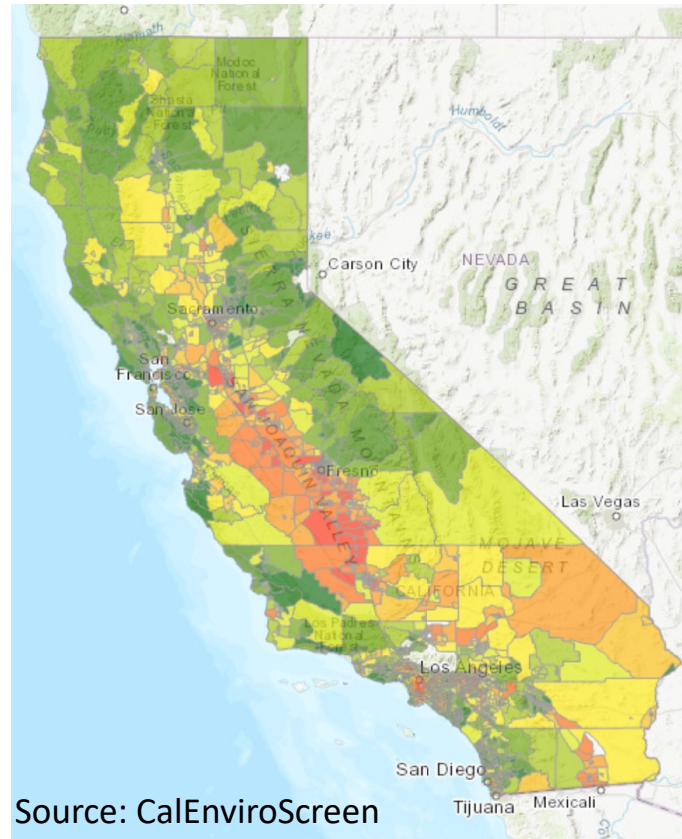
Transformative Climate Communities

- Designed to support integrated investments in at a neighborhood scale
- Collaborative stakeholder structure
- Funds multiple projects designed to reduce GHG emissions
- Three transformative elements:
 - Anti-displacement
 - Workforce and economic development
 - Climate adaptation and resilience
- Comprehensive evaluation framework
- Planning grants also available



Supporting Disadvantaged Communities

- CalEnviroScreen
- Spatial tool that identifies disadvantaged communities based on:
 - Disproportionate pollution burdens
 - Health vulnerabilities
 - Socioeconomic conditions
 - Census tract scale



Centering Community Vision

- Building programs and policies that fit a specific context
- Account for local priorities and constraints
- Take advantage of local vision, strengths, and resources
- Tangibly advance equitable practices and outcomes



Preliminary Yo'Ville Design from
Resident Workshop on 11/8/16



Employ Integrated Approaches to Achieve Multiple Benefits

- Address multiple goals
 - Leverage investments to address multiple priorities
 - Connect solutions to maximize effectiveness
- Work across built, natural, and social systems
 - Link infrastructure, operations, and programs
 - Achieve environmental, economic, and societal benefits





Community Engagement and Partnership

- Meaningful engagement with communities
 - Inform
 - Inquire
 - Empower
- Meaningful partnership
 - Engagement at all stages
 - Reciprocal
 - Accountability



Technical Assistance and Capacity Building

- Support project development and implementation
- Invest in leadership and capacity in a place
- Integrate local expertise and knowledge



TRANSFORM FRESNO

A historic process to identify and implement investments which will catalyze economic and environmental transformation in Downtown, Chinatown, and Southwest Fresno.

Looking for Community Engagement Partners

Transform Fresno is looking for local organizations to assist the City of Fresno in community engagement activities within the Transform Fresno Project Area. Please click on the categories below to review the requirements and process to submit proposals.

[Prime Community Partner](#)

[Data and Reporting Community Partner](#)