



## CLIMATE CHANGE & ENERGY

# Capital Region Climate Readiness Collaborative Event Propels Regional Grant Coordination

The Capital Region Climate Readiness Collaborative (CRCRC), a coalition program of CivicWell, is a multidisciplinary network of local and regional agencies, organizations, businesses and associations working together to advance climate mitigation and adaptation efforts in their own communities and throughout California's Capital Region.

On May 3rd, the CRCRC gathered key agencies and organizations in the Capital Region to identify shared goals, project concepts, and next steps to support effective coordination for advancing the Sacramento area's top climate resilience priorities at the Capital Region Climate Grant Coordination Workshop.

The workshop was held at the Headquarters of SMUD, the nation's sixth-largest community-owned, not-for-profit electric service. Facilitators highlighted four grant opportunities and led conversations encouraging participants to talk through the complexities of each grant opportunity and develop potential project concepts.

### Cultivating Regional Climate Resilience Efforts

The workshop was given high praise among participants who noted that it met a need in the region to begin a more strategic and coordinated approach to applying for grants. Creating more robust and competitive project concepts will put the Capital Region in a position to advance increasingly ambitious climate resilience work.

### Next Steps

CRCRC's grant coordination subcommittee has already begun organizing the Regional Resilience Grant Program project concept that took first place at the workshop. The subcommittee has also taken steps to propel the conversation surrounding more successful grant coordination within the Capitol Region.



*At a time when civic and community organizations could be overwhelmed with state and federal funding opportunities, events like these provide spaces for dialogue and partnership that result in the types of innovative and transformative proposals funders are hoping to see.*

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