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## \$3 Million Available Through Air District Grant Programs

Applications now open for projects that reduce pollution

**DAVIS, CA – March 4, 2025 –** The Yolo-Solano Air Quality Management District (District) is now accepting applications for nearly \$3 million in funding to reduce emissions across the region. Through the District's Clean Air Funds program and its 2025 Solicitation for grant funding, financial support is available for projects focused on clean vehicle upgrades, alternative transportation, and public education.

"We're excited to kick off the 2025-2026 funding cycle and continue our efforts to improve air quality within the District," Executive Director Gretchen Bennitt said. "These grants empower communities to reduce emissions and help raise awareness on the importance of clean air."

The Clean Air Funds program encourages private businesses, non-profit organizations, and public agencies to implement cost-effective projects that reduce mobile source pollution within the District. There are four qualifying project categories: Clean Vehicle Technology, Alternative Transportation, Transit Services, and Public Education. Previous funded projects include EV charging infrastructure in Vacaville, a zero-emission police motorcycle in Winters, a sidewalk extension in Rio Vista, and a bike fleet for The Bike Campaign's Bike Skills Training Program in Woodland schools.

For the District's 2025 Clean Air Funds Grant program there is \$439,000 available for projects. The program is highly competitive, and grants are awarded by the District's Board of Directors. The application deadline for the 2025-2026 Clean Air Funds Program is 4 p.m. on April 18. To apply, visit: <u>ysaqmd.org/CAF</u>.

The District has more than \$2.3 million available in funding available for 2025 through the Carl Moyer, Community Air Protection (CAP) Incentives, Targeted Airshed Grant (TAG), and AB 923 programs. These grants support projects such as replacing heavy-duty diesel-powered fleet and emergency vehicles, upgrading off-road equipment, and installing charging infrastructure. Eligible entities must operate within the District's jurisdiction.

If demand exceeds available funding for the 2025 Solicitation, a random drawing will be held to select recipients. The application deadline for the Solicitation is 4 p.m. on May 2. To apply, visit: <u>ysaqmd.org/incentives/2025-solicitation</u>.

To help potential applicants navigate the process, the District will host an informational webinar at 10 a.m. March 26 via Zoom. The session will offer a comprehensive overview of the available grants and the application process. Register <u>here.</u>

The Yolo-Solano Air Quality Management District's mission is to protect human health and property from the harmful effects of air pollution. As a public health agency, the District is responsible for safeguarding air quality and overseeing air pollution control in Yolo and northeastern Solano counties. For more information, visit <u>ysaqmd.org.</u> Connect with the Air District via <u>Facebook, X, LinkedIn</u> and <u>Nextdoor</u>.

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