

Implementation

CEC Shift Implementation

Staff continue to work with Sonoma Clean Power to promote the final round of Drive EV and have created an EV Knowledgebase, EV 101, that addresses frequently asked questions and provides support for consumers new to EV's. EV 101 is a 24/7 responsive online resource for all your electric vehicle questions. Visit EV101.DriveEV.org for easy-to-understand information about common questions and tips for getting the most out of a modern electric car. To build on this work, RCPA staff will be reaching out to city staff and fleet managers to gauge interest in expanding EV infrastructure and supporting streamlined permitting processes within individual jurisdictions.

RCPA Needs Assessment and Strategic Planning

With support from a candidate for the Master's in Organizational Development at Sonoma State University, RCPA staff are developing a robust needs assessment to gather input from a wide variety of stakeholders including SCTA and RCPA staff, member cities, partners, and community members to understand how RCPA can best support and advance climate action in Sonoma County. We plan to gather data through individual and group interviews and online surveys that will be analyzed and presented to the Board in early 2019 to inform RCPA's goals, mission and organizational structure. This process will result in the development of a strategic plan for the RCPA to focus our efforts in 2019 and beyond.

Bay Area Regional Energy Network

RCPA staff attended the BayREN Coordinating Circle Committee in-person meeting hosted by MTC/ABAG on September 21st to discuss individual program updates, review the BayREN governance structure and begin the 2019 budget process.

Bay Area Multifamily Building Enhancement Program

Through the Bay Area Multifamily Building Enhancement Program, a Resiliency Technical Assistance Pilot has been made available to four multifamily properties in Sonoma County. Property owners have received relevant resiliency findings and recommendations in the energy audit report. One opening is still available.

As of September 12, 2018, there are 11 multifamily properties in Sonoma County currently receiving no-cost energy efficiency technical assistance from the program, accounting for a total of 612 units. Two multifamily properties are in construction, for a total of 305 units.

Codes and Standards

RCPA staff works with BayREN to support the efforts of local residents, businesses, and governments to help buildings comply with energy code and achieve zero net carbon emissions.

Staff participated in the Codes and Standards Regional Forum "Energy Code & Accessory Dwelling Units: Meeting Local Housing Need Efficiently" on September 25 2018 to learn more about energy

