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## CalEPA Invites Applications For Environmental Justice Grants

SACRAMENTO – CalEPA is now accepting applications for the Environmental Justice Small Grants Program. At least \$250,000 will be available during this grant cycle to eligible community-based nonprofit groups and federally recognized tribal governments to support environmental justice-related projects across California.

“Everyone deserves to be treated fairly, and these grants will have a direct impact in some of our most vulnerable California communities, helping to improve their health and quality of life,” said California Secretary for Environmental Protection Matt Rodriquez. “It is important to continue this grant program as a reflection of our ongoing commitment to environmental justice and public health protection.”

Projects selected for the grants will address a variety of environmental and public health objectives, including education on the health and safety of pesticide use, reducing diesel emissions, ensuring safe drinking water, and participation in environmental decision-making processes at the state and local levels. Grants under this program will be awarded on a competitive basis. Grants have generally been awarded in the range of \$15,000 to \$20,000.

**Applications to the program must be received by 4:00 pm on September 30, 2014.** CalEPA plans to announce the grant awards in December 2014.

To obtain an application package, please visit CalEPA’s Environmental Justice website at <http://www.calepa.ca.gov/EnvJustice/Funding/>.

Applications can also be requested in writing to: California Environmental Protection Agency, Office of the Secretary, Attn: Malinda Dumisani, EJ Small Grants Program, P.O. Box 2815, Sacramento, CA 95812 – 2815 or via email at [Malinda.Dumisani@calepa.ca.gov](mailto:Malinda.Dumisani@calepa.ca.gov) or at (916) 445-9480.

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