



FY 2023 COMMUNITY PROJECT FUNDING REQUESTS

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Rep. Huffman has submitted funding requests for important community projects in California's Second Congressional District to the House Appropriations Committee.

Under guidelines issued by the Appropriations Committee, each Representative may request funding for up to 15 projects in their community for fiscal year 2023 – although only a handful may actually be funded. Projects are restricted to a limited number of federal funding streams, and only state and local governments and eligible non-profit entities are permitted to receive funding. Additional information on the reforms governing Community Project Funding is available [here](#).

In compliance with House Rules and Committee requirements, Rep. Huffman has certified that he, his spouse, and his immediate family have no financial interest in any of the projects he has requested. Details of the requests can be found below.

Casa Grande High School New School Model
Career Technical Education Foundation Sonoma County
1030 Apollo Way, Suite 200, Santa Rosa, CA 95407
\$200,000

The funding would be used to advance the New School Model Project and its efforts to accelerate and enhance whole-school transformation efforts at Casa Grande High School (CGHS) in Petaluma, California. Will provide evidence-based practices and

expertise, one-on-one coaching and technical assistance, capacity-building support, and an external accountability structure to advance the work of transformation among ready schools and districts.

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Electric Vehicle Charger Program Expansion

Marin Clean Energy

1125 Tamalpais Ave, San Rafael, CA 94901

\$2,000,000

The funding would be used to expand and install charger services and encourage EV adoption in the community. These services will be used to expand MCE's ability to partner with vendors and site owners to install over 700 more EV chargers throughout its service area. The MCEv program offers free project technical assistance and employee tenant engagement for more holistic electric vehicle and charging education to speed up adoption.

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Electronic Health Records Implementation, Infrastructure, and Security Repairs and Upgrades

Jewish Community Free Clinic

50 Montgomery Drive, Santa Rosa, CA 95404

\$200,000

The funding would be used to implement electronic health records for the Jewish Community Free Clinic. The inability to incorporate electronic health records has been a serious obstacle for the Clinic and has in the continuity of care when clients are referred to other clinics or to hospitals for follow-up care. These funds will allow the JCFC to participate in population health initiatives meant to improve the overall data for the community that is collected.

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Ending Veteran Homelessness and Creating Workforce Housing

Homeward Bound of Marin

Marin County

\$1,500,000

The funding would be used to support the engineering and construction of 50 veterans and workforce housing units on a 2.8-acre parcel located at the decommissioned Hamilton Army Airfield in Novato, California. The project will also include a culinary job training facility, building on the existing, successful, and award-winning culinary social enterprises and workforce development programs operated by Homeward Bound since 2001.

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Equitable Energy Resilience and EV Infrastructure

County of Sonoma

1385 N. Hamilton Parkway, Novato, CA 94949

\$791,200

The funding would be used to provide clean, emergency back-up power that can be easily transported and rapidly deployed to areas without electricity to support

critical operations and first responders. When the chargers are not providing emergency back-up power, they will be made available to the public for subsidized electric vehicle charging in South Santa Rosa, a disadvantaged census tract based on data from CalEnviroScreen.

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Fire Control and Regenerative Agriculture: Partnering with Local Grass-fed Beef Producers for Land Stewardship and Climate Resilience

Pepperwood Foundation

2130 Pepperwood Preserve Road, Santa Rosa, CA 95404-7534

\$625,351

The funding would be used to complete the Pepperwood Foundations Grazing Infrastructure Rebuild, supporting vegetation management activities in a strategic wildfire control line identified by CAL FIRE to protect nearby communities in the wildland urban interface (WUI). After two major fires, Pepperwood paused its Regenerative Grazing program to upgrade fire-damaged infrastructure and to re-envision our approach to regenerative agriculture.

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Front Street Complete Street and Cultural Inclusion

Elk Valley Rancheria and City of Crescent City

377 J Street, Crescent City, CA 95531

\$5,640,947

The funding would be used to revitalize Front Street, a key corridor for commerce, recreation, tourism, and Native American history in rural Crescent City. Grant funds will be used to transform Front Street from an underutilized four-lane roadway to an attractive, two-lane roadway with pedestrian and bicycle improvements, cultural interpretive signage, off-street parking, local art, safe connections to recreation, and native landscaping. The Front Street Project will have a significant impact on the economy and livelihood of Crescent City residents as well as for tourists and residents of the Northern California Coast.

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Golden Gate Village - Lighting Energy Efficiency Upgrades

Marin Housing Authority of the County of Marin

4020 Civic Center Drive, San Rafael, CA 94903

\$650,000

The funding would be used to perform energy efficiency upgrades to the lighting and power infrastructure throughout the historic 296-unit Golden Gate Village public housing complex in Marin City, including the installation of 524 energy efficient LED exterior lighting fixtures. The historic district's internal and external lighting and power line networks have not been upgraded in any substantial way since their original construction in 1960. The existing fixtures are not only energy inefficient, but extremely costly to maintain and challenging to keep in working order. This project would result in significant energy savings, carbon emission reductions, and annual cost savings from both lower utility bills and reduced maintenance.

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Health Center Staff Housing
Redwoods Rural Health Center

101 West Coast Rd/PO Box 769, Redway, CA 95560
\$775,000

The funding would be used for the construction of staff housing for the Redwoods Rural Health Center. RRHC has purchased the property, but we have not completed a design round. This staff housing is essential to recruiting and retaining providers in this rural area.

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Health Centers Resilience and Recovery
West County Health Centers, Inc.

PO Box 1449, Guerneville, CA 95446
\$901,575

The funding would be used for the installation of solar energy and battery backup at West County Health Center sites that are being renovated as community-based healing and resilience hubs for disproportionately impacted and underserved community members in the lower Russian River area.

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Housing Mendocino Coast – Hazelwood
City of Fort Bragg

416 N Franklin Street, Fort Bragg CA 95437
\$820,000

The funding would be used for land acquisition to develop long-term affordable housing solutions in Fort Bragg. The land would be deed restricted to serve very low to moderate income households.

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Fighting Climate-Driven Collapse in Coastal Habitats
Noyo Center for Marine Science

338 N. Main Street, Fort Bragg, CA 95437
\$294,000

The funding would be used to expand and advance programs focused on research and education addressing a series of interrelated ecological crises stemming from the collapse of the kelp forests in Mendocino County's nearshore habitats. This project will allow the Noyo Center to significantly expand on efforts through hands-on public education and by conducting vital scientific research that will drive efforts to restore our kelp forests and protect near-shore habitats for future generations.

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Sheriff's Office Computer Aided Dispatch (CAD) and Records Management (RMS) Systems Update Project
County of Del Norte

981 H Street Suite 200 Crescent City, CA 95531
\$550,000

The funding would be used to allow the County of Del Norte Sheriff's Office to update their Office Computer Aided Dispatch (CAD) and Records Management (RMS) Systems. New CAD and RMS systems will allow dispatchers to make an already enormous daily workload more manageable by improving efficiency in the areas of data collection, data management, and data dissemination.

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**SMART Rail Extension to Healdsburg - Preliminary Design
Sonoma-Marin Area Rail Transit District (SMART)**

5401 Old Redwood Highway, Suite 200

\$1,800,000

The funding would be used to allow SMART to develop technical studies necessary for Federal environmental clearance activities and modifications to existing State environmental clearances, including possibly modifications to station location and non-motorized pathway routing along the railroad corridor for first and last mile connections to stations and the rail system. The project covers over 7-miles of Positive Train Control/Rail Systems services, and just over 6 miles of civil track and bridge reconstruction.

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**Trinity Headwaters Forest Conservation for Community Benefit
Pacific Forest Trust, Inc.**

1001A O'Reilly Avenue, San Francisco CA 94129

\$2,000,000

The funding would be used to conserve 11,000-acres, almost 10% of the Trinity River headwaters, located in Trinity County, California. It is a unique opportunity to confer significant community and ecological benefit in this economically depressed Northern California region. It will protect critical forest and wildlife habitat, enhance water security, reduce fire risk, support restoration jobs, and increase recreational opportunities.

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