



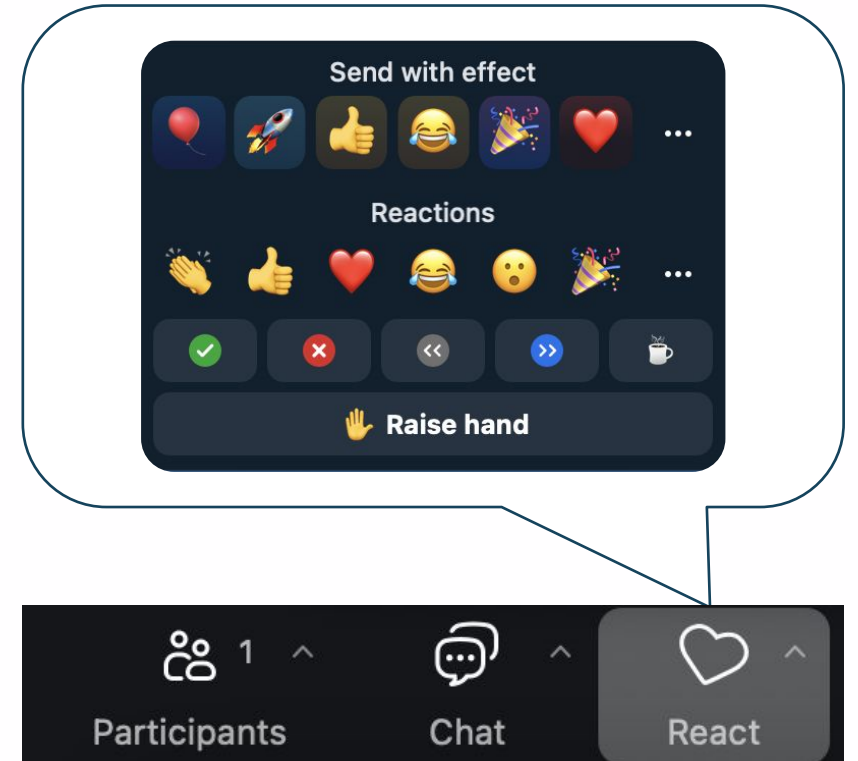
SoCalREN Advisory Committee Meeting

June 30th 2026
10:30 am - 12:00 pm



Administration

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Who is Participating Today?

Advisory Committee Members



Invited Guests



SoCalREN Staff, Implementers & Regional Partners



Agenda

Opening / Networking	All	10 min
Welcome	Minh Le	5 min
Policy and Regulatory Updates	Tessa Charnofsky & Lujana Medina	15 min
2025 Annual Report & SoCalREN Updates	Fernanda Craig	35 min
Equitable Building Decarbonization Program Launch	Lujana Medina	20 min
Closing Remarks	Lujana Medina	5 min
Adjourn	All	

SoCaIREN Advisory Committee



Guide and Advise



Collaborate and Innovate



Be Informed



Be an Advocate

Networking

What are your summer plans?

Drop a few emojis in the chat to show your plans.

SoCalIREN Welcome

Minh Le, County of Los Angeles



Policy and Regulatory Updates

Tessa Charnofsky & Lujana Medina, County of Los Angeles



Legislative Update

Tessa Charnofsky, Special Services Assistant



Legislative Calendar, 2026:

May 15—May Revision

June 15—Budget Bill must be passed

June 30—Gov must sign the budget

August 31—Last day for each house to pass bills

Sept 30—Last day for Governor to sign or veto bills





89%

10%

Generation, Distribution, Transmission

**Public Purpose Programs
Bonds and Fees
(1%)**

**Shareholder profits
(10%)**

**Low-Income Bill Assistance and Services (6.5%)
(ESA, CARE, FERA)**

**Energy Efficiency
(1.5%) with RENs
(.26%)**

**Clean
Tech
(1%)**

**Admin
(1%)**

What is driving cost increases? Not Energy Efficiency.



Utility Revenue Requirements rose by approximately 38% between 2019 and 2024.

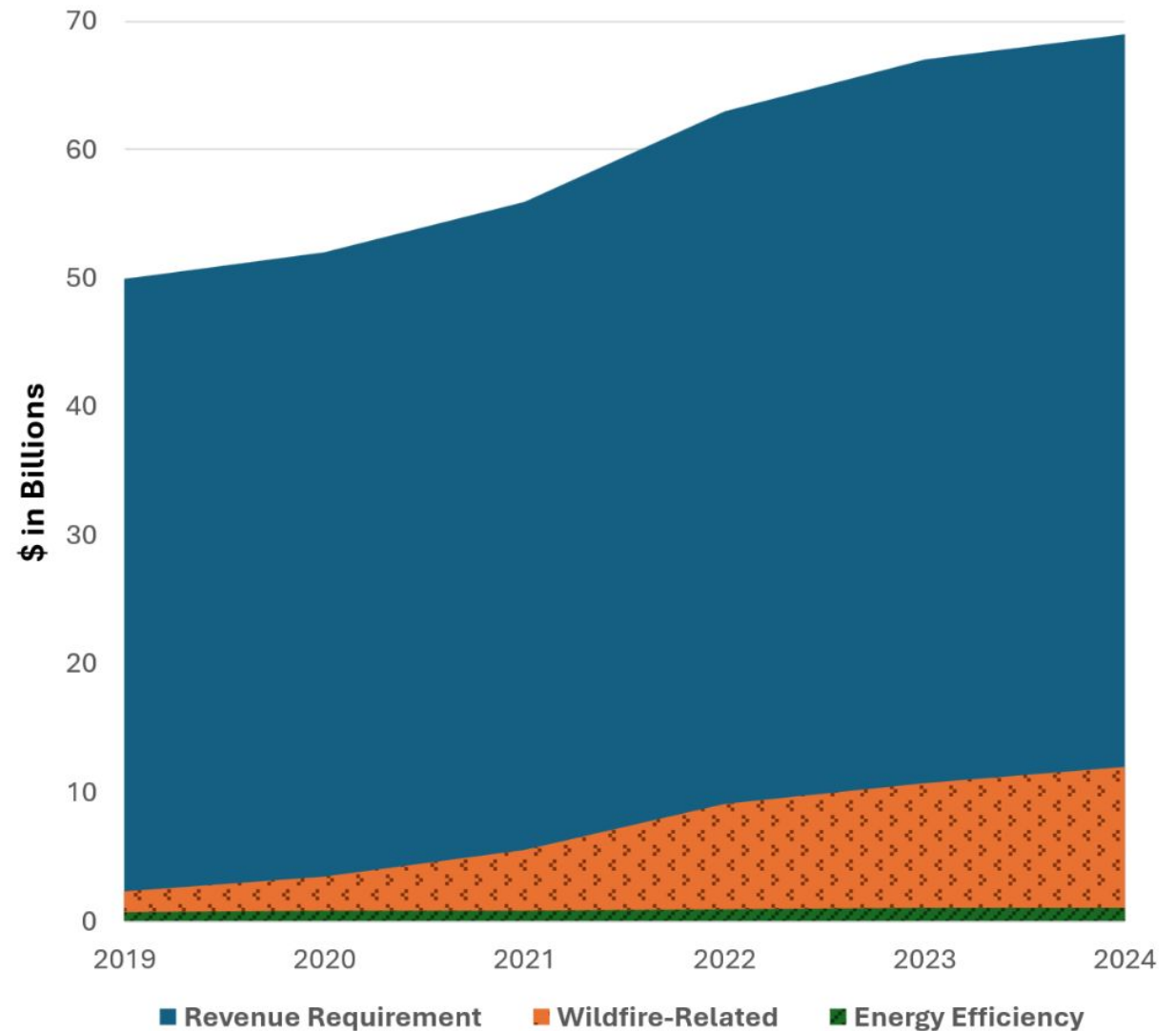
<https://www.canarymedia.com/articles/utilities/californias-utility-bill-crisis-is-clear-to-all-the-solution-not-so-much>



Wildfire-related costs increased from about 5% to 17% of revenue requirements over this period, driving roughly half of total growth.



Energy efficiency investments remained flat and are not a driver of bill increases.



State Legislators we met with thus far

- Asm Steve Bennett
- Asm Mark Gonzalez
- Asm Cottie Petrie Norris
- Asm Nick Schultz
- Asm Pilar Schiavo
- Asm Jacqui Irwin
- Sen Ben Allen
- Sen Monique Limon (staff)
- Sen Susan Rubio (staff)
- Asm John Harabedian (staff)
- Sen Maria Elena Durazo
- Asm Sade Elhawary (staff)
- Asm Rick Zbur (staff)
- Asm Robert Garcia
- Senator Caroline Menjivar (staff)
- Asm Lisa Calderon
- Sen Catherine Blakespear (staff)

Continued

- Asm Phillip Chen (staff)
- Asm Gregg Hart (staff)
- Asm Mike Fong
- Sen Tony Strickland (staff)
- Sen Bob Archuleta (staff)
- Sen Sabrina Cervantes (staff)
- Asm Tina McKinnor (staff)
- Asm Jeff Gonzalez
- Asm Isaac Bryan (staff)
- Sen Stephen Padilla (staff)

Scheduled

- Sen Lola Smallwood Cuevas (staff)
- Sen Steven Choi
- Asm Blanca Pacheco
- Sen Eloise Gómes Reyes

Total: 31

State Budget—Agreement, not yet signed

\$351.7 billion state budget, with surplus of \$4.5 billion.

\$2 billion in state revenue next year through tax hikes on corporations

Increase in rainy day fund by \$6.4 billion

Constitutional amendment on ballot that would raise a cap on mandatory deposits into the rainy day fund from 10% to 20% of general fund revenue.

\$11.25 billion for affordable housing, bond for the November ballot that would include down payment and mortgage assistance to veterans and low-income families.

No detail on energy programs in the agreement

Regulatory Update

Lujana Medina, County of Los Angeles



A.26-03-009 Pre-Hearing Conference and Draft Scoping Memo

Defines scope, schedule, and issues for the 2028–2031 EE portfolio approval process + 2028–2031 business plans

Issues determined to be in scope for the proceeding

- ✓ Budgets, savings forecasts, and cost-effectiveness
- ✓ Program approval, portfolio design, implementation approach
- ✓ Operational elements (equity definitions, Statewide programs, financing, etc.)

Major topics to be debated

- Cost-effectiveness treatment and how strictly portfolios must adhere
- REN oversight and whether additional controls or limits are applied
- Equity funding thresholds and potential caps on those investments
- Workforce standards and if new labor requirements are included

Out of Scope Issues
(handled in other proceedings noted below)

R.22-11-013 (DER)

- Cost-effectiveness framework updates (incl. non-energy impacts)

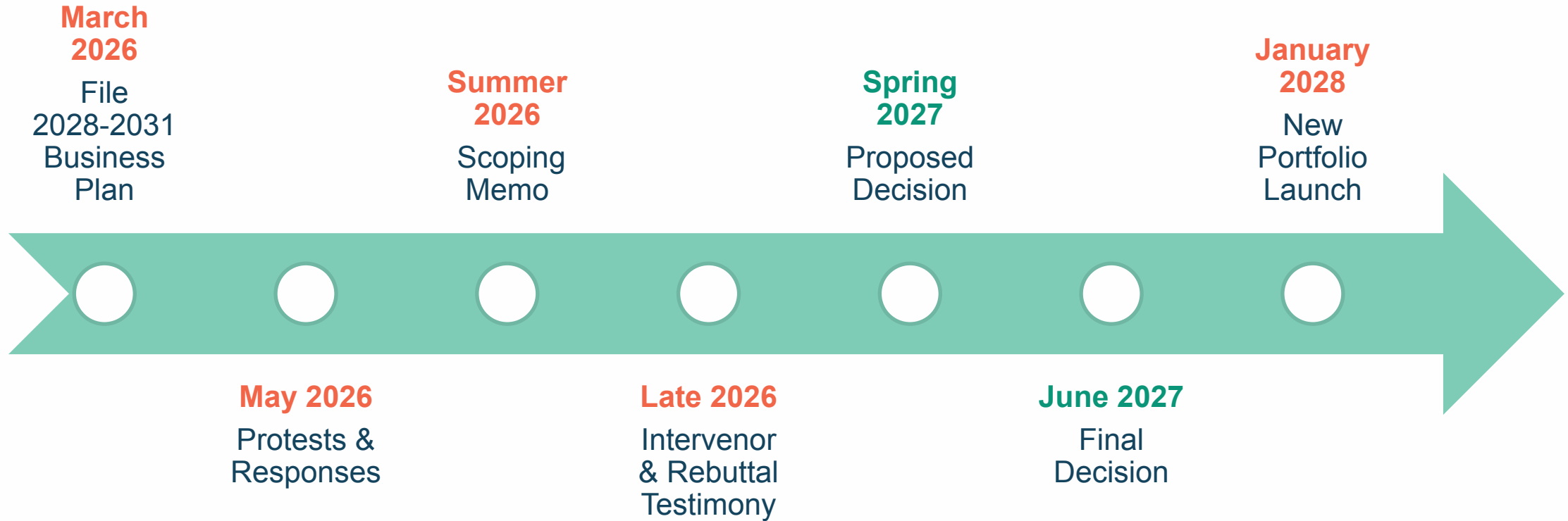
R.25-04-010 (EE)

- Governance and oversight reforms (including REN oversight)
- Policy manual updates, EM&V, DEER, CAEECC processes
- Broader EE policy and structural changes

Implications for SoCalREN

- Continued focus on cost-effectiveness at the portfolio level, with risk for harder-to-reach and public sector programs
- Ongoing debate over equity funding thresholds, including potential limits affecting disadvantaged communities
- Uncertainty around whether new workforce requirements will be incorporated into portfolio approval
- Broader policy changes are being deferred, but these same issues will continue in parallel rulemakings

Business Plan Application Timeline Overview



ACTIVITY	SCHEDULE
Prehearing Conference	June 19, 2026
Scoping Memo Issued	July 2026
Ruling asking parties to respond to specific questions in prepared testimony	August 2026
Prepared direct testimony served	October 16, 2026
Rebuttal testimony served	November 6, 2026
Meet and confer session among parties	November 12, 2026
Deadline to file motion to request evidentiary hearings	November 18, 2026
ALJ ruling determining status of evidentiary hearings	December 4, 2026
<i>Remaining schedule assuming no evidentiary hearings</i>	
Opening briefs	January 15, 2027
Reply briefs (matter submitted)	February 5, 2027
Proposed decision issued for comment	April 2027
Proposed decision on Commission agenda	May 2027
<i>Remaining schedule if evidentiary hearings are held</i>	
Evidentiary hearings	January 18-22, 2027
Opening briefs	February 19, 2027
Reply briefs (matter submitted)	March 12, 2027
Proposed decision issued for comment	May 2027
Proposed decision on Commission agenda	June 2027

Other R.22-11-013 (DER Rulemaking) Activity

Avoided Cost Calculator (ACC) Updates

- CPUC is considering updates to how DER benefits are valued in the ACC (tool used to estimate the value of EE and other DERs)
- SoCalREN has concerns that the changes could undervalue EE and electrification programs
- Impacts may be more significant for equity and harder-to-reach customers
- SoCalREN is aligned with other RENs and clean energy parties on these concerns
- Initial staff proposal released April 2026; comment period in progress

Data Working Group

- CPUC is reviewing recommendations to improve DER data access and standardization
- The issues include privacy rules, aggregation thresholds, data governance, and statewide data tools
- Better data access would support local planning, program targeting, and equity-focused delivery
- SoCalREN will likely emphasize usable data access, fair cost allocation, and REN participation
- Final report issued June 2026; comment period in progress

Legislative & Regulatory Q&A



SoCalREN's Annual Report Overview

Fernanda Craig, County of Los Angeles



Topics

1. Portfolio
2. Public Sector
3. Residential Sector
4. Commercial Sector
5. Agricultural Sector
6. WE&T Sector
7. Community Engagement
8. Marketing

Portfolio Overview

2025 Program Year



SoCalREN 2025 Portfolio Impacts

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Climate and Energy Impacts



\$26,563,193

Total System Benefits (TSB)



4,757,406

kWh Savings



824

kW Savings



1,191,784

Therms Savings



7,891

MTCO₂e GHG Avoided

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Energy Capacity and Economic Resilience



289

Completed Projects

561

Jobs Supported



\$16.2M

Total Incentives Paid



\$2M

Estimated Annual Energy Cost Savings

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Access to Energy Efficiency



23,997

Households Impacted



14,000+

Students Introduced to Energy Efficiency



300+

Courses Completed by Diverse Contractors

- Achieved a cost-effective Resource Acquisition Portfolio* **TRC of 1.13** (209% above the forecasted goal).
- Generated **\$26.6 million in Total System Benefits (TSB)**, hitting ~100% of the forecasted goal.
- **Deep Equity Focus:** Maximized environmental equity by accelerating project delivery in disadvantaged communities (DAC) and hard-to-reach (HTR) areas.

TRC & TSB

Sector Name	Total System Benefit (TSB)	Cost-Effectiveness (TRC)	Key 2025 Accomplishment Milestone	Equity Focus (% DAC / HTR)
Public Sector	> \$6.00 Million	0.47 1.47 (Direct Install)	130 completed municipal projects; 24 new enrollments	High rural/HTR prioritization
Residential	>\$12.90 Million	1.08 1.37 (Multifamily Retrofit)	CMP set an all-time record with 84 completed retrofits	58% of units located in DACs
Commercial	>\$3.45 Million	0.65 1.14 (Small Comm. DI)	Completed 82 projects inside first 6 months of launch	100% HTR, 89% in DACs
Agriculture	>\$4.10 Million	1.49 1.67 (Ag Retrofit)	Rapid deployment scale-up in first 3 months	100% located within DACs
Workforce (WE&T)	N/A	N/A	53 student internships; \$92,578 paid student wages	Focused on Title 1 and opportunity youth

Finance Sector Program Year 2025



Finance Sector 2025 Impacts & Highlights



\$3,818,318

All Time Funds
Disbursed to Agency



866,055

kWh Savings



196

MT CO₂e
GHG Emissions Avoided



\$3,438,606

Lifetime Savings

- **Removing Capital Barriers:** Addressed the primary hurdle for public agencies by matching project financial analysis with application support.
- **0% Interest Financing:** Provided accessible capital through the Revolving Savings Fund (RSF).
- **Proven Investment:** Disbursed \$3.8 million to date, successfully expanding energy efficiency improvements into traditionally underserved communities.

Public Sector Program Year 2025



Public Sector 2025 Impacts and Highlights

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Climate and Energy Impacts

-  **\$6,069,788**
Total System Benefits (TSB)
-  **52.3M**
kWh Lifetime Savings
-  **980**
kW Lifetime Savings
-  **4.7M**
Therms Lifetime Savings
-  **37,200**
MTCO_{2e} GHG Avoided

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Energy Capacity and Economic Resilience

-  **\$23M**
in Energy Bill Lifetime Savings
- \$3,000,000**
in Incentives
- \$1,265,500**
in OBF Supported
-  **130**
Completed Projects
- 363**
Jobs Supported
-  **43**
Educational Outreach Materials Developed
- 28**
Outreach Activities Completed

EXPANDING
Access to Energy Efficiency

-  **24**
New Agencies Enrolled
-  **5**
Regional Partners
-  **89%**
Public Sector Satisfaction Rating

- **Substantial Community Savings:** Generated **\$23 million** in lifetime energy bill savings for participating public agencies.
- **Resource Impact:** Delivered > **\$6 million** in TSB, 52.3 million lifetime kWh savings, and 4.7 million lifetime therm savings.
- **Cost-Effective Delivery:** Led by the Streamlined Savings Program with a TRC of **1.18** Rural-HTR Public Agency Direct Install Program with a strong **1.47 TRC**
- **Carbon Reductions:** Avoided **37,200 metric tons** of lifetime CO₂ emissions.
- **Pipeline & Employment:** Supported **130 projects**, contributed to **363 jobs**, and secured **24 new agency enrollments** in 2025.

Residential Sector Program Year 2025



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Climate and Energy Impacts



\$12,924,235

Total System Benefits (TSB)



-933,181

kWh Savings

-117,184 in Underserved Communities



621,404

Therms Savings

174,697 in Underserved Communities



2,986

MTCO₂e GHG Avoided

819 in Underserved Communities

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Energy Capacity and Economic Resilience



\$9,911,737

Total Incentives Paid to Multifamily Properties

\$17,657,459

Total Construction Project Costs



97

Completed Projects

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Access to Energy Efficiency



23,997

Tenant Units Impacted



58%

Completed Projects in Disadvantaged Communities



196

Participating Schools

63%

DAC Schools

- **Broad Reach:** Impacted approximately **24,000 households** and over **\$12.9 million** in TSB.
- **Cost-Effective Delivery:** MF Whole building delivering a strong TRC 1.37 of which provided an overall portfolio sector **TRC of 1.08.**
- **Multifamily Milestones:** Completed a record **84 retrofit projects** serving 9,938 households, **58%** of which are in Disadvantaged Communities (DACs).
- **Targeted Direct Install:** Upgraded **317 apartment units** via the Small HTR Direct Install Program.
- **Community Education:** Engaged 13,742 students through the Kits for Kids program to build long-term energy literacy.

Workforce, Education & Training Sector Program Year 2025



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Energy Capacity and Economic Resilience



70

Skill Certificates Earned by ACES Participants
250% Increase from 2024

10

Professional Certifications Earned by ACES Participants
67% Increase from 2024

53

GPC Participants Receiving Career Plans
279% Increase from 2024

57

Certifications Earned by GPC Participants
235% Increase from 2024

20

Certifications Earned by ECA Participants
18% Increase from 2024

85

Coaching/Technical Assistance Hours (ECA)
77% Increase from 2024



53

ACES Internships Completed
26% Increase from 2024

\$92,578

Internship Dollars Earned by ACES Students
2% Increase from 2024

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Access to Energy Efficiency



15

Schools Participating in ACES Program
67% Increase from 2024



26

ACES Partners (Industry, College, AJCCs)
136% Increase from 2024

- Served **480 unique participants** with 317 dual enrollment course participants across 15 schools and 26 industry partners.
- **Professional Credentials:** Awarded **70 ACES Skill Certificates**, 10 ACES Professional Certifications, 57 Green Path Careers (GPC) certifications, and 20 E-Contractor Academy designations.
- **Paid Career Paths:** Provided **53 student internships**, injecting **\$92,578** directly into student wages.
- **Youth Leadership:** Hosted the 3rd Annual Future Green Leaders Summit in San Bernardino, engaging **513 Title 1 middle school students** in sustainability careers.

Commercial Sector Program Year 2025



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Climate and Energy Impacts



3,452,184

Total System Benefits (TSB)



446,390

kWh Savings



153,741

Therms Savings



930.3

MTCO_{2e} GHG Avoided

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Energy Capacity and Economic Resilience



11

Community BEAs



82

Completed Projects



\$2.2M

Total Incentives Disbursed

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Access to Energy Efficiency



889

BEA Engagements



70

Completed Projects in Disadvantaged Communities

42

Completed Projects in LILA

- **Rapid Scale:** Completed **82 projects in just six months**, engaging 889 businesses and injecting **\$2.2 million** in incentives.
- **Strong Value Generation:** Generated **\$3.45 million** in TSB, avoiding 930 metric tons of CO₂ emissions.
- **100% Equity Delivery:** Every single project (**100%**) served HTR participants, with **89%** in DACs and **61%** in low-income, low-access communities across six counties.

Agriculture Sector Program Year 2025



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DELIVERING Climate and Energy Impacts



\$4,116,985
Total System Benefits (TSB)



6,140,479
kWh Savings



62,527
Therms Savings



3,808
MTCO_{2e} GHG Avoided

BUILDING Energy Capacity and Economic Resilience



13
Completed Projects



\$1,414,312
Total Incentives Paid



\$436,306
Ag HTR DI TSB

\$3,377,328
Ag Retrofit TSB

EXPANDING Access to Energy Efficiency



13
Farms Impacted



100%
Completed Projects in Disadvantaged Communities

- **Accelerated Launch:** Delivered measurable regional impacts within just **three months** of implementation.
- **High Cost-Effectiveness:** Achieved a stellar sector **TRC of 1.49** and generated **\$4.1 million** in TSB.
- **Rural Support:** Deployed **\$1.4 million** in incentives across 13 farms and agricultural facilities—**100%** located in Disadvantaged Communities.
- **Resource Savings:** Secured over **5.6 million** net kWh savings and **59,053 therm** savings.

Community Alliances & Engagement



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- **Future Green Leaders Summit**

Hosted **513 Title 1 middle school students** at the historic Enterprise Building in San Bernardino for hands-on clean-energy workshops.

- **Community-Based Design Collaborative**

Partnered with frontline CBO groups (e.g., ActiveSGV, CCAC) to co-design and implement highly specialized local energy efficiency programs.

- **Regional Partner Initiatives**

Expanded ongoing alliances to seamlessly align local outreach and accelerate projects.

Regional Partner Initiatives

2025 Impact & Hyper-Local Project Deployment

Program Mandate: An agile framework that uses a streamlined, ongoing application process to fund and test hyper-local energy efficiency (EE) interventions through trusted regional partners.

2025 Performance: 4 Partners | 4 Active Initiatives

- **San Gabriel Valley COG (SGVCOG)** — Residential Efficiency: Deployed a dual-action campaign pairing free in-person home energy assessments with physical direct-install energy conservation kits.
- **Gateway Cities COG (GCCOG)** — emPOWER Campaign: Partnered with local CBOs to aggressively market and drive customer enrollment in SCE home energy assessments.
- **South Bay Cities COG (SBCCOG)** — Cool Roof Infrastructure: Launched a specialized municipal initiative analyzing the feasibility and thermal impacts of cool roof surfaces across public agency facilities.
- **High Sierra Energy Foundation (HSEF)** — Facility Inventories: Advanced targeted data collection to build out actionable facility equipment inventories for hard-to-reach, rural public agencies.

Marketing

2025 Digital and Regional Outreach



2025 Digital and Regional Outreach



- Award-Winning Podcast: Our "Hi, Energy!" series built critical community energy literacy, winning a prestigious Gold Viddy Award in Education.
- Equitable Bus & Billboard Ads: Focused regional campaigns in underserved communities secured over **1.3 million impressions** on public transit and **969,000+ impressions** on neighborhood billboards.
- Digital Marketing Growth: The SoCalREN newsletter surpassed average industry click-open benchmarks by **1.5 times**, generating **178,000 discrete website events**.

Discussion and Feedback

We invite comments and input from the Advisory Committee regarding 2025 outcomes, upcoming program prioritizations, and regional clean energy alignment.



Thank you!



Equitable Building Decarbonization Program Launch

Lujuana Medina, County of Los Angeles



Closing Remarks

Ivana Dorin, SoCalREN



Online Resource for Advisory Committee Members

Advisory Committee



Working Group Updates

As needed documents such as operating structure, meeting minutes and opportunity trackers.

[More Info](#)



Regulatory Reports

Monthly regulatory reports and proceeding updates.

[More Info](#)



Advisory Committee Meeting Materials

Quarterly meeting materials such as agendas, minutes, presentations and other supporting documents.

[More Info](#)

2026 Proposed Meeting Schedule



Date	Time
Q1 - Wed March 31st, 2026	Virtual 10:30 am - 12:00 pm
Q2 - Wed June 30th, 2026	Virtual 10:30 am - 12:00 pm
Q3 - September 2nd, 2026 (NEW DATE)	In-person - Frontier Project 10:30 am - 2:30 pm
Q4 - December 9th, 2026	Virtual 10:30 am - 12:00 pm

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- **Recent episode:** Climate Resilience and Disaster Preparedness
- Currently available on [Spotify](#) and [Apple Podcasts](#) platforms.

Upcoming SoCalREN Events:



Green California Summit
September 15–16, 2026
Pasadena, CA



League of California Cities Annual Conference
September 23–25, 2026
Anaheim, CA

Adjourn