



# Local Government Services

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# ABAG Local Government Services

- Bay Area Housing Finance Authority (BAHFA)
- ABAG Finance Authority (ACFA)
- San Francisco Estuary Partnership (SFEP)
- ABAG POWER
- Bay Area Regional Energy Network (BayREN)





# Advancing CA Financing Authority

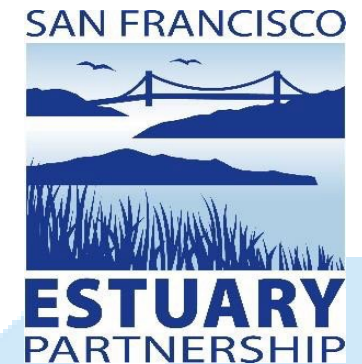
- **Since 1978, ACFA provided \$8 billion** in tax-exempt financing to help meet needs of public agencies and their nonprofit partners
- **Financings constructed/preserved/refinanced**
  - 12,000 units of housing
  - Schools
  - Hospitals and clinics
  - Water Districts
  - Municipal Infrastructure
  - Museums
  - CFDs



# San Francisco Estuary Partnership

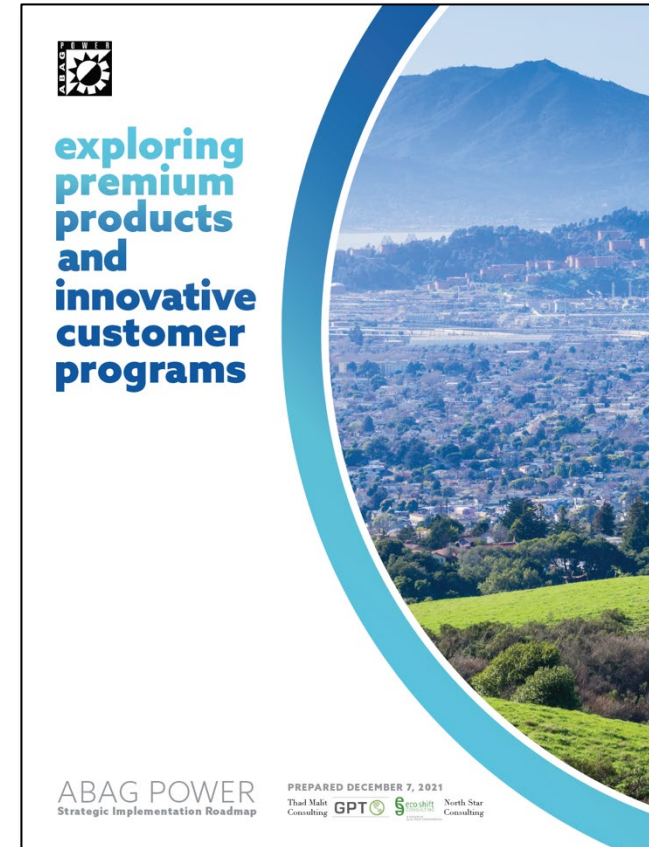
- Established under Clean Water Act's National Estuary Program (1988), as one of 28 estuaries of national significance
- Manages multi-benefit projects that improve the Estuary health by leveraging federal funds in state and local funds for *regional-scale restoration, water quality improvement and resilience-building projects*
- Staffs SF Bay Restoration Authority along with CA Coastal Conservancy, helping distribute \$25M/yr (Measure AA) in projects that restore the Bay and protect it from SLR

[www.sfestuary.org](http://www.sfestuary.org)



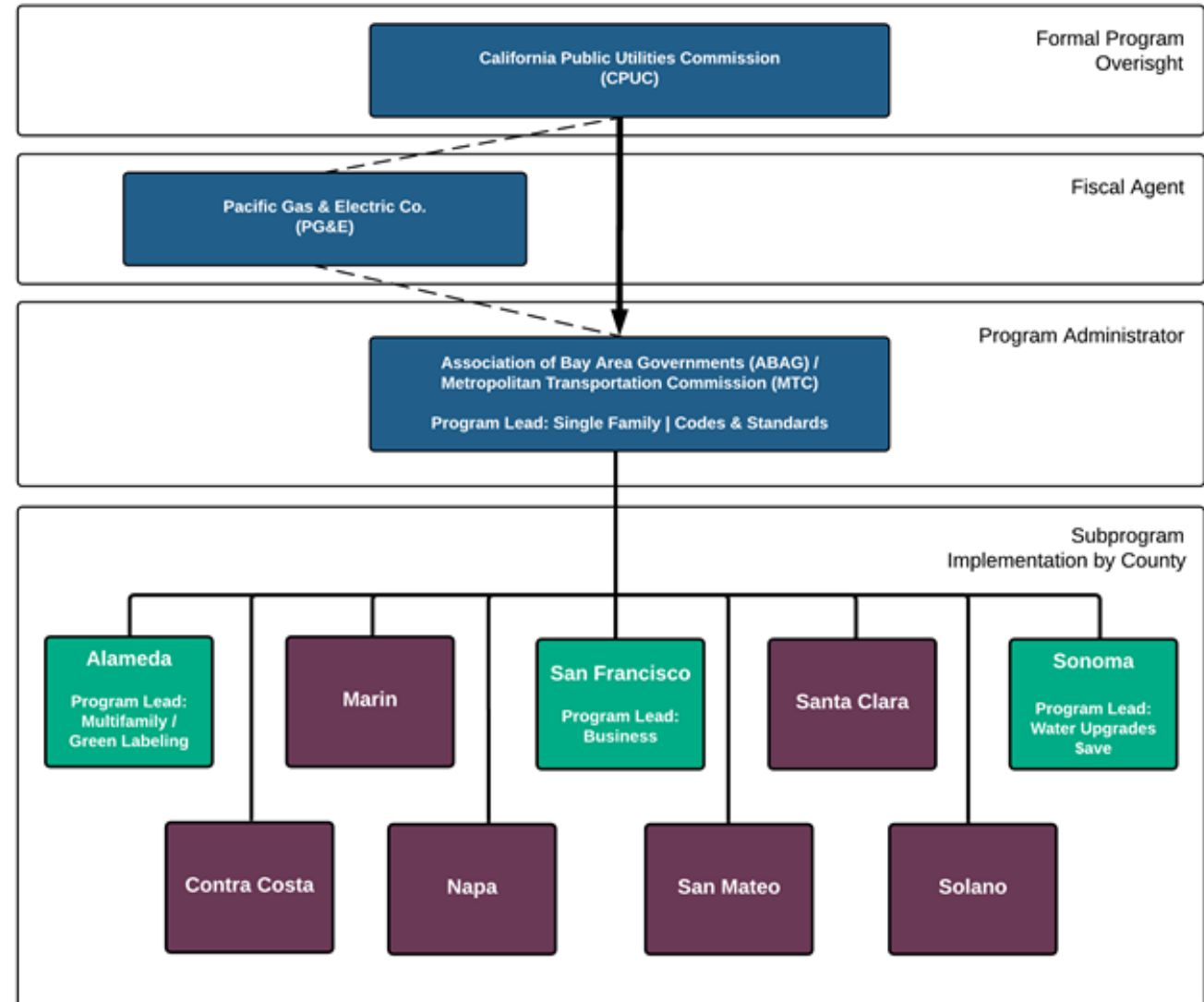
# ABAG POWER and Initiatives

- Provided, since 1989, cost savings and price stability for 38 members purchasing natural gas for public buildings
- Use of natural gas for municipal buildings identified as significant contributor to greenhouse gas emissions
- Adopted a Strategic Implementation Roadmap in 2021, encouraging:
  - Default product bundled with offsets
  - Transparent and socially responsible gas
  - Voluntary electrification incentives
  - SB 1383 compliance



# BayREN History and Structure

- Formed in 2012 by Bay Area cities/counties to better collaborate on energy efficiency
- Now one of four Regional Energy Networks in California
- Directed to:
  - Serve Hard-to-Reach
  - Fill gaps in market
  - Support innovative, scalable pilot programs



# Current BayREN Programs

Home+ Single Family  
Program

Multifamily Program

Codes & Standards  
Program

Business Program

Water Upgrades \$ave  
Program

Green Labeling  
Program



# Bay Area Multifamily Building Enhancements (BAMBE)

- **Eligibility**

- Multifamily properties with five or more dwelling units, located in 9-county Bay Area with focus on deed restricted and NOAH

- **Program offerings**

- **No-Cost Energy Consulting**

Energy usage analysis, site visits, scope development

- **Cash Rebates**

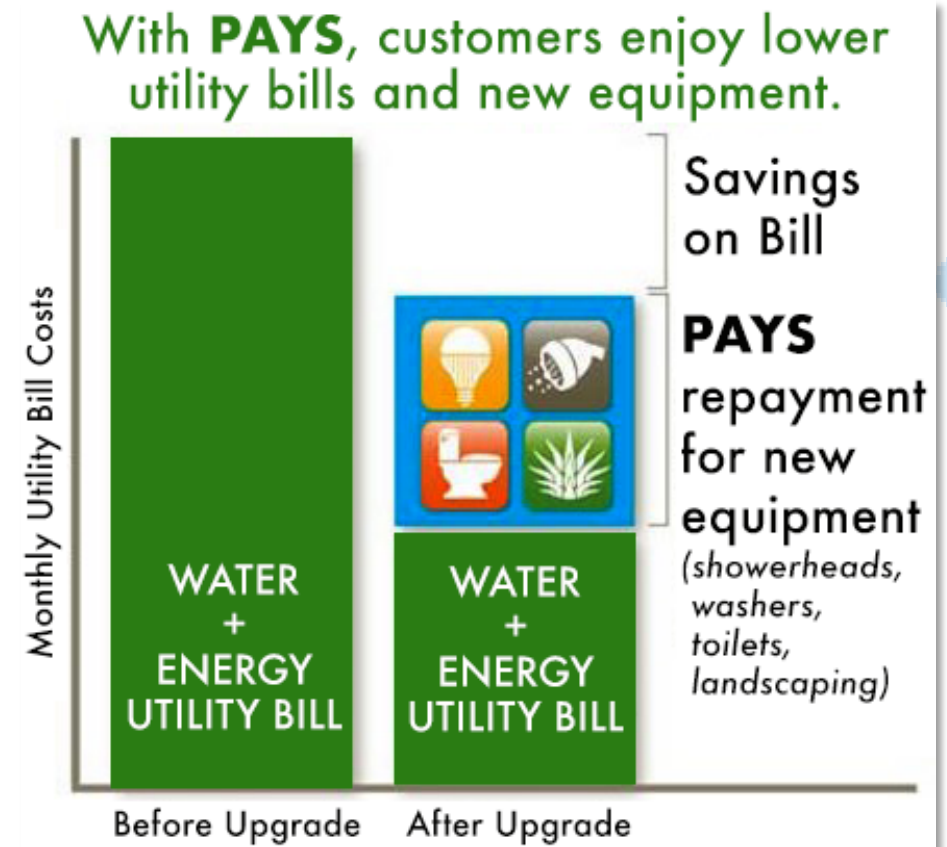
Flat rate \$750/unit, additional incentives for gas-to-electric conversions



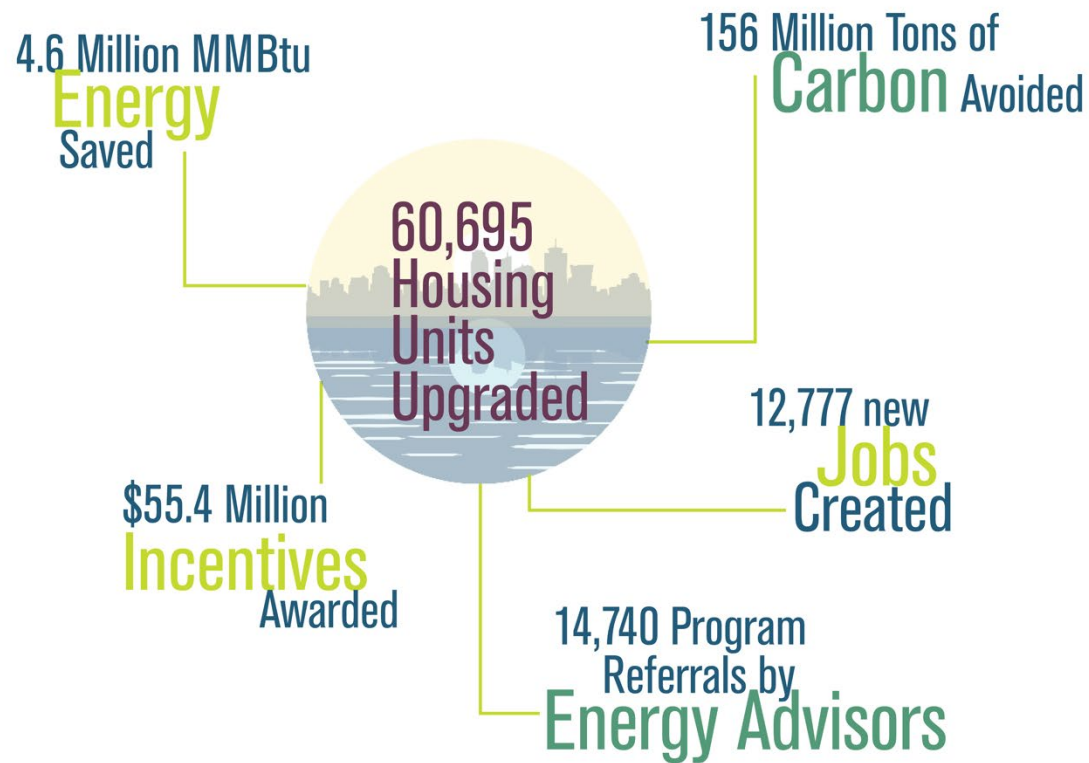


# Water Bill Savings Program

- Allows water utilities to install improvements
- Being field tested in Windsor and Hayward
- No up-front payment, credit checks, or liens
- Monthly surcharge lower than savings
- Pay only while a customer at that location



# Regional Accomplishments and Impact



- **9 Counties, 101 Cities**
- 6 Programs focused on
  - Energy efficiency upgrades
  - Electrification upgrades
  - Water energy nexus
  - Raising awareness among real estate and contractor industry
  - Energy code compliance

# Example: Contra Costa County

## Contra Costa County's involvement in BayREN

- Helps the County improve and expand local government outreach and capacity
- Helps the County achieve climate goals

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Participating  
BayREN  
contractors located  
in Contra Costa



1,376

Home+ projects  
resulting in  
savings of  
443,992 kWh  
and 79,792  
therms



\$3,992,250

Paid in  
incentives to  
multifamily  
property  
owners for 60  
projects



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Homeowner  
workshops held  
from 2019-2021



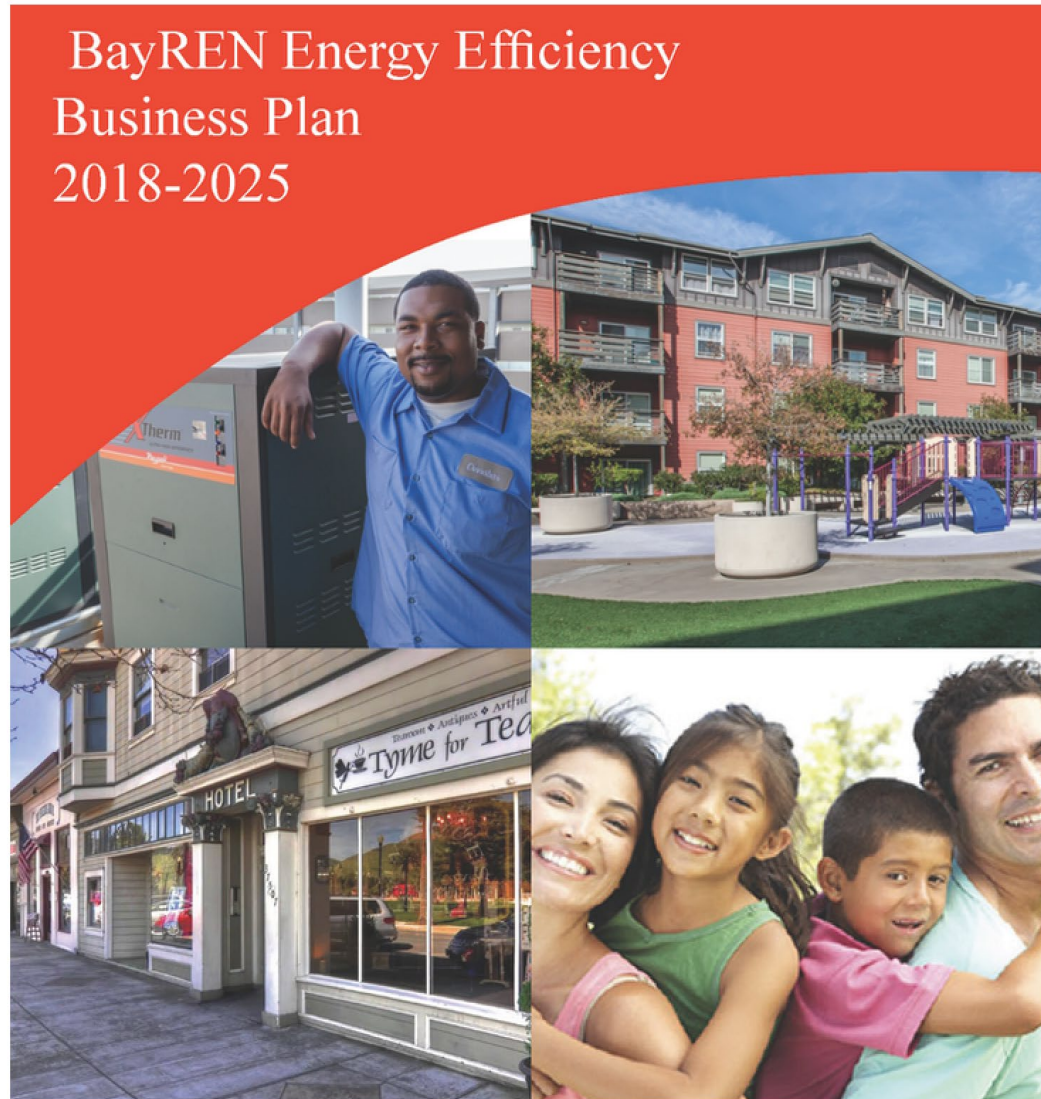


# Example: Retrofit of Tenderloin SRO



Available at: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=1Q7Irs3cJ3Y>

# Submitted New Business Plan for 2024 - 2031



# Proposed BayREN Programs

Home+ Single  
Family Program

Multifamily  
Program

Codes &  
Standards  
Program

Integrated  
Energy Services

Business  
Program

Water Upgrades  
\$ave Program

Green Labeling  
Program

Targeted  
Decarbonization  
Services

Refrigerant  
Replacement  
Program

Climate Careers  
Program



# Working with BAHFA to Add Value

- A major challenge facing homeowners, apartment owners and affordable housing operators is rapidly escalating utility costs
- BayREN's programs reduce electric and water usage by 15% to 24%, freeing up funds for renovation budgets, rent reductions and other family needs
- In launching BAHFA's *Preservation, Anti-Displacement* and *Homeless Prevention* Pilots, BayREN programs are increasing energy efficiency, reducing operating costs and lowering GHG

# Thank You

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