

# Summary of Local REAP Suballocations

ABAG Housing & BAHFA Oversight Committees

**April 13, 2023** 

#### REAP 1.0 Overview

- One-time \$24 million state grant to ABAG
- Eligible uses are limited to planning activities that accelerate housing production and implement 6<sup>th</sup> Cycle RHNA
- Original statutory expenditure deadline of **December 31, 2023.** This expenditure deadline is incorporated into HCD's Funding Agreement with ABAG and drives local invoicing deadline of **September 30, 2023.**
- Legislature extended the statutory expenditure deadline to December 31, 2024
  - However, to meet this deadline HCD will close grants with each COG by June 2024, which will drive an anticipated local invoicing deadline of April 2024
  - HCD has yet to amend our Funding Agreement; ABAG is currently bound by the 2023 deadlines



## REAP 1.0 Suballocations - Summary Update

- ABAG suballocated \$10,880,000 to local governments, with some funding provided to all 109 jurisdictions
- Since July 2021, local governments have been eligible to claim suballocations
- Most jurisdictions have claimed their funds:

	Amount	% Claimed
7 Planning Collaboratives:	\$4,700,000	100%
109 Local Planning Grants:	\$6,180,000	96%
	\$10,880,000	



## Outreach & Support for Local Governments

# During the last two years, ABAG has conducted extensive outreach to local governments to encourage and support them to access suballocation funding:

- Repeated, direct outreach to local staff in each jurisdiction
- Multiple presentations to all Planning Directors at regular county-level meetings
- More than a dozen emails via listservs and curated monthly Bulletins to local Planning Directors, as well as line staff working on Housing Element updates in the Subregional Planning Collaboratives
- Presentations to ABAG Housing Committee and Executive Board

## ABAG has provided significant support to relieve the administrative burden on local staff:

- One-on-one meetings with local staff; technical assistance to complete necessary paperwork
- Simplified template Scope of Work to enable swift reimbursement for Housing Element expenses



#### **Unclaimed Local Suballocations**

Missing Scope of Work: Unclaimed funds:

Number of Jurisdictions 10 2

Award Amounts \$400,426 \$52,688 \$453,114



See **Attachment A** for a summary of outstanding grants by jurisdiction and amount

### Challenges

- Invoicing/Expenditure deadlines are looming
  - Currently bound by 2023 dates
  - Even if/when Funding Agreement is amended, it will only give 6 months extra not full year
- Regardless of Dec 2023 or June 2024 deadline, the timeline is tight because of:
  - Administrative requirements to process all suballocations and close out REAP grant
  - Time required to reprogram funds and ensure that new activities meet the invoicing/expenditure deadline
- Housing Committee and Exec Board expressed interest in advocating for additional and/or ongoing state funding; these efforts will be undercut if Bay Area cannot expend REAP 1.0 fundings in a timely manner



## Seeking Direction from Committee on Staff Recommendations:

- Notify jurisdictions with unclaimed funds of May 1, 2023 deadline
- Continue to provide assistance to claim funds
- Bring updated budget to ABAG
  Housing Committee and Executive
  Board in May to reprogram
  unclaimed funds to provide
  additional technical assistance to
  Bay Area jurisdictions

