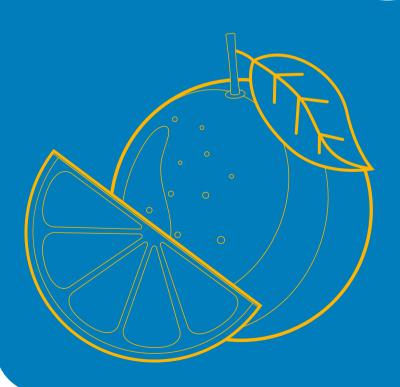
### GROWING EQUITY IN SAN DIEGO COUNTY



Urban Food Equity









# GROWING EQUITY: FUNDING SAN DIEGO COUNTY URBAN AGRICULTURE

Coming in Early 2025! **\$250K** in grant funds to build local capacity for urban agriculture.

#### PROGRAM OBJECTIVES

- Promote community food sovereignty through local urban agriculture.
- Increase equitable access to public funding for local urban agriculture.
- Invest in California Climate Priority Population communities with urban agriculture projects.
- Organize and amplify urban growers as agents of change, land stewards, and community leaders.



**Seed \$10,000**10 awards



Sprout \$50,000 (

3 awards



#### PROGRAM GOALS

- 1. Build social capital
- 2. Provide education and skills development
- 3. Supplement access to fresh food
- 4. Cultivate agricultural literacy
- 5. Perform ecosystem services
- 6. Support economic development
- 7. Increase food sovereignty
- 8. Pilot a production innovation



\*See CDFA subaward guidelines for program goal definitions.

#### ALLOWABLE USE OF FUNDS

- 1. Infrastructure
- 2. Technical assistance
- 3. Workforce development
- 4. Community engagement and education
- 5. Supplies
- 6. Equipment \*must inventory equipment \$5,000+



\*See CDFA subaward guidelines for more details on allowable costs.

#### **BASIC ELIGIBILITY**

- No more than 25 miles adjacent to or outside of one
  "Urbanized Area" containing a population of 50,000 or
  more people. \*Native Americans and Tribal organization
  applicants can be located anywhere in San Diego County.
- Project site must be located in or directly serve a <u>priority</u>
   <u>population area</u>.
- Non-profit organizations (501c3)
- Tribal organization
- Business



**Climate Investments Priority Map** 

#### PRIORITY CONSIDERATION

- 100% of awards will go to projects
  located in and/or directly serve an urban
  underserved community as determined
  by California Climate Investments
  Priority Populations 2024.
- 1 award set aside for Native American or Tribal organization applicant.
- Extra points to applicants who
   effectively communicate how their
   project contributes to the <u>San Diego</u>
   <u>Food Vision 2030</u> objectives.



## URBAN AGRICULTURE PARTNER ENGAGEMENT



Farm Technical Assistance Community of Practice Advisory & Roles



#### **ADVISORY**

Help set subaward application priorities, parameters, and funding set-asides.

#### ROLES

- Application form feedback
- Review scoring criteria
- Review outreach/promotion methods
- Inform additional translation needs beyond Spanish
- Help promote the grant
- Serve on selection committee (5 ppl)
   \*not if applying for subaward,
   honorarium provided for
   participation

#### PROJECTED TIMELINE

Online
Application
Feb 2025

Outreach & Application Assistance

Jan-Feb 2025

Application
Due
March 12025

Awards
Announced
May 2025

Funding
Disbursed
Summer 2025

TA & Public Engagement Support July 2025 - July 2026

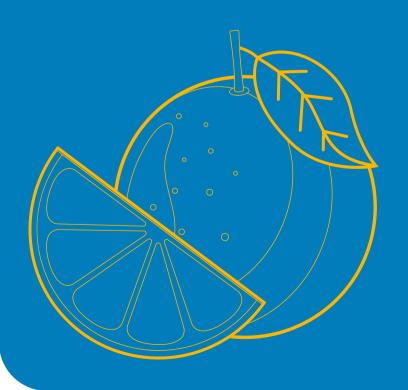
Final Invoice & Report Due

Aug 2026

Urban Grower
Storytelling
Sept 2026



Have any questions? Please connect!



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