

## CENTER FOR COASTAL CLIMATE RESILIENCE IMPLEMENTATION FUNDING INITIATIVE

<b>NOI DEADLINE:</b>	January 27th, 2023
<b>PROPOSALS DUE:</b>	March 3rd, 2023
<b>FUNDER:</b>	Center for Coastal Climate Resilience
<b>PROGRAM:</b>	Climate Resilience Implementation Initiative
<b>FUNDING LEVEL:</b>	Up to \$500,000
<b>PROJECT PERIOD:</b>	June 5th, 2023 to June 30th, 2025
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### OVERVIEW

The Center for Coastal Climate Resilience is launching an Implementation Grant Program for projects that address impacts to coastal communities from climate change. Up to \$500,000 may be requested to support projects that are aimed at enhancing coastal climate resilience. Highest priority will be given to projects that focus on delivering clear outcomes and solutions and engaging partners to address the challenges from coastal climate change in California and beyond. All grants need to specifically address the impact of the proposed work and how it relates broadly to California climate initiatives and California's leadership in reducing the impacts of climate change.

Funding may be used for projects that, for example, aim to

- develop solutions that reduce climate risks;
- engage partners (communities, agencies, businesses, NGOs) to (co)design & implement solutions;
- support demonstrations for approaches to effectively build resilience to climate change;
- develop nature-based solutions that reduce risks to people and nature;
- take solutions to scale to reduce climate risks;
- work to effectively communicate risk and actions that can be taken to reduce it;
- directly inform actions in policy or practice to build resilience;
- identify social and/or economic incentives to reduce climate risk and build resilience.

Budgets might include GSR or postdoc support, travel, event costs (including staffing), materials and supplies, IT resources, participant support, etc. Funds can be distributed to other institutions and partners, but will require justification. Distribution is dependent upon ability to agree upon terms.

Faculty summer salary is not eligible for funding. Course release may be an allowable expense, to be determined following consultation with departments and divisions after award. Please direct any questions about the appropriate use of funds to [Heather Bell](#), the Director of Research Development.

### ELIGIBILITY

All UCSC tenure-track or tenured faculty, research faculty and staff members with PI status at the time of application are eligible to apply. Members of the CCCR Advisory committee are eligible to apply and will not be involved in the selection process. Faculty may propose to only one of the UC Santa Cruz Center for Coastal Climate Resilience initiatives as lead PI. They may be part of additional proposals as a co-investigator or collaborator.

Adjunct faculty, visiting faculty, postdoctoral fellows or scholars, fellowship trainees, graduate students, and undergraduates are not eligible to be PI, but are eligible to be part of a research team.

**NOTIFICATION OF INTENT (NOI) DUE: January 27th, 2023**

**NOIs are required** and will be gathered via [google form](#). Please submit the form by January 27th, 2023. The

NOI form requests the proposed project title and the names and affiliations of the PI and all confirmed collaborators, and a 2-3 sentence description of the project (to facilitate review). Questions regarding the NOI can be directed to [hmbell@ucsc.edu](mailto:hmbell@ucsc.edu).

### **PROPOSALS DUE: March 3rd, 2023**

Submit proposals through UCSC InfoReady: <https://ucsc.infoready4.com/#homePage>. Requirements are described below.

### **APPLICATION REQUIREMENTS**

The full application will include the following items:

**Cover Page.** Include the project title; Principal Investigator (PI) name and contact information; names and contact information of all Co-Investigators; and the department and the research accountant for this project, if awarded.

If you have identified an external funding opportunity or opportunities for a follow-up grant, please include that information on the cover page. Identify the sponsoring agency or foundation and the specific RFA or program, as appropriate.

**Project Description** (not to exceed three pages). The Project Description should outline a) the overall goals of the project, b) its significance, and c) potential impact. It should also include a description of the activities and approach that will be used to achieve the project goals and provide a timeline with key milestones. Proposal reviewers may not be experts in your field. To assist the review process, please avoid using discipline-specific jargon.

**Contribution of Co-Investigators.** If the project is a collaboration, each major contributor listed on the cover page should provide a short (up to ½ page) summary of their role in the proposed work and the unique value they bring to the team.

**Budget and Justification** (submitted via an Excel template available in InfoReady).

Provide the total amount requested as well as estimates for major budget categories (e.g., personnel, support to tribes or community partners, consumables and materials, travel, etc.). Include an itemized justification of how the funds will be used. Please refer to [this sheet](#) for GSR cost estimates. If including events that require staff support, you will be asked to upload a brief statement of support from the unit providing assistance (e.g., department, research institute) as part of your application; an email is acceptable. This unit will provide you with the event staffing cost estimate to include in your budget. The project budget may be further negotiated if awarded and does not need to go through OSP.

**CVs.** A Curriculum Vitae (CV) (not to exceed four pages) is required for the Principal Investigator and each co-investigator. CVs should include the following:

- Education history;
- Academic and other significant positions held;
- Relevant peer-reviewed publications or creative projects;
- Funding support: List all active internal and external funding support, recently completed funding support (last 3 years), and any pending support. Include all support from federal, state, foundation, departmental, and university funds. Include dates of funding, PI/PD, dollar amounts, and a brief but clear description of the work supported by the awards. If none, please state.

### **REVIEW CRITERIA**

The overall goal of the CCCR Implementation Grant Funding program is to facilitate work that will reduce coastal climate risk and build coastal climate resilience. Applications will be evaluated based on the

likelihood that the proposed work will result in demonstrable impact or clear potential for impact in the near future.

Projects should be innovative and have a defined impact on coastal climate resilience. Highest priority will go to projects that identify pathways to reducing coastal climate risks and build or enhance partnerships (e.g., with agencies, tribes, NGOs, businesses) that can help develop and implement solutions. Applications should be responsive to the review criteria below:

**Alignment**

- Does the project address one or more coastal climate risks?
- Does the proposal identify specific steps for enhancing coastal climate resilience?
- Is the project consistent with State of California climate priorities?

**Collaboration**

- Does the team assembled for the project bring together the needed disciplines?
- Does the project substantively engage partners/parties that will help implement solutions for reducing coastal risks and enhancing climate resilience?

**Significance**

- What is the novel, unique, or creative component of the project?
- Does the project complement, challenge, or expand relevant perspectives in the field?

**Impact**

- What is the overall impact of the project?
- Will the project help enhance coastal climate resilience?
- How does the project address equity and social justice?
- Does the project provide resilience benefits to people and nature?
- What is the likelihood that the project will attract external funding?
- How will the applicant share project outcomes with a wider public or audience?

**Feasibility**

- Does the proposal address access to essential resources, environment (personnel, space, facilities), and budget to support the desired outcomes?
- What critical milestones are included to assure timely progress?

**PROGRESS REPORTS**

A progress report detailing the work accomplished through the Implementation Funding award will be required at the end of the award period. You will be sent a Google Form requesting the following: 1) a brief summary of progress made towards the objectives, 2) a financial report indicating the use of the awarded funds, and 3) information on specific outputs that demonstrate impact or clear potential for impact.