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South Bay Cities Council of Governments Recognized for Leadership in Sustainability Programs

The South Bay Cities Council of Governments has been recognized for its leadership in sustainability and support for its member agencies.

The Institute for Local Government and the Statewide Energy Efficiency Collaborative recently designated the South Bay Cities Council of Governments as a “Beacon Award Program Champion” as part of the sustainability and climate change recognition program, “The Beacon Award: Local Leadership toward Solving Climate Change.” The South Bay Cities COG becomes the first organization of its kind to receive the designation. The Beacon Award program recognizes cities and counties that save energy, reduce greenhouse gas emissions and promote sustainability.

“As a regional leader in energy efficiency and sustainability, the South Bay Cities COG, along with the South Bay Environmental Services Center, is uniquely positioned to help its member agencies highlight their accomplishments and celebrate their leadership through the Beacon Award program,” said Ralph Franklin, South Bay Cities Council of Governments chair and Inglewood council member. “We look forward to working with the Institute for Local Government on supporting this program by encouraging sustainability programs.”

The South Bay Cities Council of Governments is a joint powers authority of 16 cities and the County of Los Angeles that share the goal of maximizing the quality of life and productivity of communities in the area. It promotes cooperation between municipalities of the South Bay area of Los Angeles and seeks solutions to issues of common concern through joint studies and cost-effective, multi-jurisdictional programs.

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The Statewide Energy Efficiency Collaborative (SEEC) is an alliance to help cities and counties reduce greenhouse gas emissions and save energy. SEEC is a collaboration between three statewide non-profit organizations, including the Institute for Local Government, and California's four Investor Owned Utilities. The Beacon Award program is funded by California utility ratepayers and administered by Southern California Gas Company, San Diego Gas & Electric Company, Pacific Gas and Electric Company and Southern California Edison, under the auspices of the California Public Utilities Commission.

To learn more:

- Beacon Award Program, please visit: www.ca-ilg.org/BeaconAward.
- Beacon Award Program Champions, please visit: www.ca-ilg.org/BeaconAward/Champion.
- South Bay Cities Council of Government, please visit: www.sbccog.org.
- Institute for Local Government, please visit: www.ca-ilg.org.
- SEEC, please visit: www.californiaseec.org.

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