

2026 Federal Legislative Platform

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Purpose

Outlines the City's federal policy and project priorities to the public, CA Congressional delegation, Congress, and regional and federal agencies.

Provides guidance and direction to City staff and federal representatives regarding City's federal funding and policy priorities.



2025 Federal Funding Highlights

Total <u>awarded</u> funding:

Housing, Homelessness and Economic Development

HUD Housing Choice Vouchers (formula)

HUD CDBG (formula)

HUD HOME (formula)

HUD HOPWA (formula)

Surface Transportation

DOT-FTA Urbanized Area (formula)

DOT-SS4A Citywide (competitive)

Public Safety

DOJ-OJP Byrne JAG (formula)

\$38,569,272

\$33,649,185

\$31,198,828

\$1,286,368

\$634,999

\$528,990

\$4,867,195

\$3,117,195

\$1,750,000

\$52,892

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2025 Federal Funding Highlights

Total pending funding:	\$30,521,862
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Economic Development

EDA Roseland Economic Development \$672,000

Water and Energy Resiliency

FEMA-HMGP	Laguna Treatment Plant Mitigation	\$14,577,742
FY25-CPF	Llano Trunk Line	\$2,293,000
EPA-Resiliency	Farmers Lane Water Treatment Plant	\$2,000,000

Transportation

DOT-SS4A	Planning and Demonstration	\$1,080,000
DOT-FTA	Buses and Infrastructure	\$9,899,120



Strategy

Align with Council's goal setting cycle (2025-2027).

Acknowledge rapidly changing federal government policies.

Incorporate feedback from Council, department heads, and City Manager.



Wildfire and Extreme Weather Mitigation

Modified Language

To provide sufficient federal funding and federal agency resources that support natural disaster mitigation, rebuilding and recovery efforts, including but not limited to:

 FEMA Act, Fix Our Forests Act, funding for the Building Resilient Infrastructure and Communities (BRIC) Program, the Community Wildfire Defense Grants (CWDG), and regional vegetation management initiatives.

To update National Flood Insurance Program and funding for flood prevention.



Surface Transportation

Modified Language

Including a future surface transportation authorization bill, that promotes roadway safety, equitable access to transportation, active transportation, address the adverse impact of extreme weather, and invest in resiliency projects such as evacuation routes and vegetative management along roadways; supports bicycle and pedestrian facilities; supports Vision Zero programs, like Safe Streets for All, Safe Routes to School and project implementation; addresses the significant backlog of deferred pavement rehabilitation, and invests in public transit programs such as fleet electrification, including charging infrastructure and implementing the conversion, Buses and Bus Facilities, Low-No Emissions, Zero-Emission Vehicles, and passenger rail service.



Surface Transportation

Modified Language
Oppose Legislation and Regulatory Efforts:

To advocate against any efforts to restrict funding to California based on the enactment of the California Public Employees' Pension Reform Act.



Water Infrastructure, Conservation, and Energy Resiliency

Modified Language

To invest in water, sewer, and stormwater infrastructure programs such as the Clean Water and Drinking Water State Revolving Funds, Corps of Engineers Environmental Infrastructure, and the Water Resources Development Act; recycled water projects, water conservation projects, water supply planning and resiliency, stormwater, groundwater, watershed protection and improvement, local and regional flood protection, and Sonoma Water projects. Advocate expanding funding eligibility to include projects in disadvantaged (equity priority communities) and/or low-income subsections of communities.

Water Infrastructure, Conservation, and Energy Resiliency

New Language

To provide direct payments to local governments for infrastructure and other investments made to help develop renewable energy, including geothermal, recycled water, and offsets for zero-emission vehicle purchases.

That prevents or mitigates adverse impacts to the city's water, wastewater, recycled water, and storm water systems from harmful consumer products, and legislation that enhances consumer producer responsibility, product labeling, and prohibitions or restrictions on substances and/or materials known to damage or negatively impact treatment processes or conveyance systems.



Housing, Homelessness, and Economic Development

Modified Language

To increase funding and federal incentives to address affordable and workforce housing and homelessness, including support for Continuum of Care, Emergency Food and Shelter, CDBG, HOME, HOPWA, Housing Choice Vouchers, permanent supportive housing, down payment assistance, Safe Parking programs, expansion of Low Income Housing Tax Credits and other federal programs and legislation that invest in helping our most vulnerable residents.



Housing, Homelessness, and Economic Development

Modified Language

To help attract new businesses, expand small businesses, and promote regional events and tourism, including funding and support for Small Business Development Centers (SBDC).



Housing, Homelessness, and Economic Development

New Language

To transfer or sell federal property to local governments.

That provide incentives and additional funding to spur affordable housing.



Public Safety

Modified Language

To fund public safety infrastructure and technology, including a regional community safety training center, regional communications infrastructure such as new radio tower sites, regional NIBIN testing lab, drone deployment, support for 9-1-1 call centers and required technology and equipment, including gunshot detection software, use of body-worn cameras and ALPR infrastructure.

To increase funding, including raising federal matching, for programs like the COPS Hiring Program/School Resource Officers and Student, Teachers, and Officers Preventing (STOP) School Violence Act, which supports and assists county, local, territorial, and tribal jurisdictions in improving efforts to reduce violent crime in and around schools.



Public Safety

New Language

That will help address the increased costs for fire equipment/apparatus.



Recommendation

The Communications & Intergovernmental Relations Office recommends that Council, by resolution, adopt the City's 2026 Federal Legislative Platform.



Questions?