



The Urban Equity Climate Compact

The Urban Equity Climate Compact (UECC) is a two-year project funded by the Kresge Foundation that seeks to scale equitable climate adaptation solutions by building the capacity of regional climate collaboratives to work with communities of color. ISC is in the process of recruiting teams for the next cohort, which will run from May 2023 to April 2024.

In general, the governance and decision-making processes of regional climate collaborations are often comprised of largely local government members and often miss the opportunity to advance strategies that hold people at the center, especially those experiencing the most harmful impacts. The UECC project's focus is to center racial equity to ensure the advancement of an equitable decision-making process. ISC has structured UECC to offer training and events that will help support inclusive governance and collaborative process and practices.

Each UECC team will have a lead organization currently supporting a climate collaboration. This lead organization will work with ISC to assemble a team of stakeholders to participate in the project. These teams should be balanced in collaborative stakeholder representation but should include community members that the collaborative wants to work with closer.

As a UECC team, you will have access to:

- a dedicated ISC facilitator and point of contact throughout the duration of the project
- trainings on racial equity and systems thinking
- the UECC resource team, which can provide training, workshop, and technical assistance on a wide range of subjects such as community engagement, data presentation, racial equity, and sustainability-related subject materials. More resources can be identified on an as-needed basis
- \$4,000 of funding to be used for community engagement
- peer-to-peer networking and learning opportunities with current and previous cohorts

Project participation includes:

1. Reasonable team participation in the following scheduled trainings and events:

June 15	Welcome Session	1 hr
June 22	Environmental Racial Equity Training: Foundational Concepts	2 hrs

July 6	Environmental Racial Equity Training: Toolkit	3 hrs
July 20	Systems Thinking, Strategy Development, and Collaboration Building	3 hrs
Aug 17	Full Cohort Quarterly Check In	1.5 - 3 hrs
Sept 21	Full Cohort Quarterly Check In	1.5 - 3 hrs
Dec 18-Jan 5	Holiday Break - No meetings	
Jan 18, 2024	Full Cohort Quarterly Check In/Project Wrap Up	1.5 - 3 hrs

2. The creation of a co-developed scope of work that identifies specific goals and outcomes for our time together
 - a. Attending monthly check-ins. These check-ins can also serve as times for trainings, workshops, and/or technical assistance.
 - b. Providing information as part of ISC's evaluation metric process as a way to measure team and project success

If you have any questions, please feel free to email Dan Dickerman, Senior Program Officer, at ddickerman@sustain.org