



# Project Summary

Regional Early Action Planning (REAP) Work Program  
SCAG Subregional Partnership Program

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## Gateway Cities Council of Governments

### What is REAP?

The state's Regional Early Action Planning (REAP) Grant funds support regional agencies in their effort to accelerate housing production and to facilitate local government implementation of the sixth cycle of the Regional Housing Needs Allocation (RHNA). They are meant to complement the funds that have been awarded to local jurisdictions from Senate Bill (SB) 2 Planning Grants and the Local Early Action Program (LEAP) and will be disbursed from May 2021 to June 2023. The Gateway Cities COG will receive over \$1.3 million as part of the REAP program, and will lead the following five work program elements:

- Housing Elements Development and Implementation Support
- Formation of a Gateway Affordable Housing Trust Fund
- Subregional Inclusionary Housing Strategy/Ordinance Template
- Innovative Housing Finance Strategies
- Subregional ADU Encouragement Strategies

# Subregional ADU Encouragement

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## PROJECT GOALS

This project is intended to support increased production and preservation of Accessory Dwelling Units (ADUs) in the Gateway Cities. An ADU is a secondary dwelling unit that shares a building lot with a larger, primary house. ADUs require less complexity to build and also significantly reduce development costs.

## Key Activities

For this project, the COG has entered into a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with two other subregional COGs, the Orange County Council of Governments (OCCOG) and Ventura Council of Governments (VCOG), to develop an Accessory Dwelling Unit (ADU) clearinghouse website that will include:

- Resources (ADU workbook, checklists, standard plans, vendors, financing sources, cost calculators, look-up tool by address) to support ADU development and construction by homeowners
- Description of ADU legalization (amnesty) and affordable ADU programs, and
- Model ADU and Other Housing Related Ordinances.