

## REGIONAL PARTNERSHIP PROGRAM

A Program of Sacramento Area Sewer District

# Regional Economic Development Competitiveness Program

## What is the Regional Economic Development Competiveness Program?

In 2018, the Sacramento Area Sewer District (SacSewer) adopted a policy that established funding provisions for five different programs. One of the programs is the Regional Economic Development Competiveness Program (Economic Program).

The Economic Program was established to assist and support economic vitality in the Sacramento region by reducing sewer impact fees for new and existing commercial customers. To qualify for the Economic Program, the customer's business will need to add new jobs to the region. Economic Program funds can be used to pay up to half of the sewer impact fees for qualifying commercial and industrial customers.

## Who can apply?

All commercial and industrial customers who are in SacSewer's service area can apply. These customers could qualify for a grant of up to 50% of their impact fees. Grants will be awarded based on a first come, first serve basis until funding for the applicable fiscal year is depleted.

Existing commercial and industrial customers can also request funds to help pay for incremental impact fees. The customer must show that the incremental impact fees are related to a process change that will result in new jobs.

#### **Funding**

Funding for the Economic Program comes from SacSewer's non-rate and non-fee funds. The Economic Program is funding up to \$225,000 per year for collection and \$1 million per year for treatment and resource recovery.

The funds cannot be used to do the following:

- · Pay for deferred impact fees
- Pay for capacity rental
- Pay for impact fees that are on an extended payment plan

To qualify for the Economic Program, the customer's business will need to add new jobs to the region. The customer will be eligible for the sewer impact fee grant based on the bullet points below:

- One to five new jobs qualifies for 15% of the customer's sewer impact fees.
- Six to ten new jobs qualifies for 25% of the customer's sewer impact fees.
- Eleven or more new jobs qualifies for 50% of the customer's sewer impact fees.

## Where do I apply?

All commercial and industrial customers are encouraged to apply. To complete an application or to learn more about the program, visit confluenceprogram.com.

