



NOTICE OF INTENT TO AWARD:

Social Entrepreneurs for Economic Development (SEED) 3 Grant

Background

ETP released the SEED 3 Grant Solicitation for Proposals on January 26, 2026. The application period closed on February 26, 2026.

As fully set forth in the Solicitation for Proposals, the SEED 3 Grant is composed of two separate grant programs with a total of \$6,750,000 available and allocated as follows:

- \$5,250,000 for the SEED Entrepreneurship Program
- \$1,500,000 for the SEED Worker Cooperative and Employee Ownership Program

A total of 124 proposals were submitted, 107 proposals for grants under the SEED Entrepreneurship Program and 17 proposals for grants under the SEED Worker Cooperative and Employee Ownership Program. Below is a list of 14 proposals the scoring committee has recommended for funding.

Proposed Awardees

SEED Entrepreneurship Program:

- California ETEC
- Caravanserai Project
- Chico Economic Planning Corporation
- El Concilio California
- Immigrants Rising
- Inclusive Action for the City
- MEDA
- Nurture
- Renaissance Entrepreneurship Center
- Time for Change Foundation
- Women's Economic Ventures

SEED Worker Cooperative and Employee Ownership Program:

- California Center for Cooperative Development
- Democracy at Work Institute
- Project Equity