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# Get up to \$600,000 in grants

The California Sustainable Energy Entrepreneur Development Initiative (CalSEED) is an early stage grant funding and professional development program for innovators working to bring clean energy concepts to market.

## WITH CALSEED YOU CAN:

- ▶ Receive up to \$600K in grant dollars to advance your concept
- ▶ Access professional development resources – training, expert guidance, mentorship
- ▶ Get operational and technical support resources
- ▶ Connect to the state’s best accelerator and incubator programs

## TYPES OF INNOVATIONS CALSEED FUNDS:

Very early stage innovations before a prototype has been developed or market-tested.

A broad spectrum of clean energy concepts: science, materials, hardware, software, etc.

Solutions that create greater reliability, lower cost and increased safety for California’s energy grid.

From time to time, we will also highlight technology areas that are of particular importance to advancing clean energy in the state.

“Taking significant amounts of carbon out of our economy without harming its vibrancy is exactly the sort of challenge at which California excels.”

— Governor Jerry Brown

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## HOW IT WORKS

- 1 APPLY NOW**  
submit application online or by mail
- 2 TECHNICAL REVIEW**  
Our team of technical experts reviews the merits of your application
- 3 CONCEPT AWARDS**  
Finalists will be awarded up to \$150,000 in grant funding
- 4 PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT**  
Develop your concept and participate in a 6-18 month professional development program
- 5 BUSINESS PLAN COMPETITION**  
Pitch your concept for the chance to receive additional grant funding
- 6 PROTOTYPE AWARD**  
Business plan competition winners receive up to \$450,000 plus follow on work with the CalSEED ecosystem of incubators.

## WHO CAN APPLY?

CalSEED is open to applicants working on early stage innovations – from concept to pre-prototype. Designed to provide benefit to CA residents, CalSEED applicants must have a presence in the state when they apply.



Individuals/Teams



Businesses



Nonprofit organizations



Academics Institutions

## OUR PARTNERS



## ACCESS & INCLUSION

We welcome applications from, and concepts that are to the benefit of, small, women-owned and diverse-owned businesses as well as from underserved, low-income, LGBTQ, rural and veteran communities.

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