



# Energy Block Grants Work!

CAMPAIGN TO SAVE EECBG



## Escondido Cleans Air and Water While Saving Money

The City of Escondido, California is utilizing its Energy Efficiency and Conservation Block Grant (EECBG) funding to clean up the local air and water through a series of efficiency improvements also aimed at reducing the City's utility and maintenance expenditures. Through these measures, **Escondido is taking steps to improve local quality of life for all residents and visitors.**

**Escondido is using EECBG funding to ...**

- **Enhance water circulation in Lakes Dixon and Wohlford by deploying solar-powered circulation machines called SolarBees, which control harmful blue-green algae blooms, improve overall water quality, and improve fish habitats without burning fossil fuels.**
- **Replace the lighting at the Kit Carson Adult Softball fields with a more efficient system that will reduce the number of fixtures per pole by 50%, helping to reduce energy costs and maintenance on the lights for a 25 year period.**
- **Help replace 28 gas-guzzling City vehicles with hybrid-electric cars over the next few years, saving money on gasoline purchases and helping reduce pollution from fossil fuel consumption.**

For more information about Escondido's EECBG activities, contact Gail Merriam at (760) 839-4661, or [Gmerriam@escondido.org](mailto:Gmerriam@escondido.org).

**Impact on Escondido, CA**

- \$1.27 million in EECBG funding
- 13 jobs to be created or retained
- 218,112 kilowatt-hours of energy conserved annually
- 307 metric tons of CO<sub>2</sub>e emissions prevented annually



Organized by Climate Communities, the Energy Block Grants Work! campaign is showcasing how cities and counties across America are using federal Energy Efficiency and Conservation Block Grant (EECBG) dollars to create jobs, save energy, and reduce carbon pollution. For more information, visit [www.energyblockgrants.org](http://www.energyblockgrants.org).