

16 November 2021

COUNCIL RESOLUTION: 21-04

Grant Program on Environmental Justice and Climate Change Resilience in North America (EJ4Climate)

THE COUNCIL:

RECOGNIZING the Parties' commitment to work together with underserved and vulnerable communities, and Indigenous communities, in Canada, Mexico, and the United States to prepare them for climate-related impacts;

EMPHASIZING that a grant program could provide funding directly to community-based organizations to help them develop community-driven solutions to adapt to the impacts of climate change while addressing environmental justice concerns;

CONVINCED that our governments can spur transformational innovations, conserve nature, build resilience, strengthen adaptation, and drive economic growth for communities across North America;

RECALLING that on 16 July 2021 the Council instructed the Secretariat to allocate the supplemental contribution from the United States to develop the Environmental Justice and Climate Change Resilience in North America grant program;

HEREBY DECIDES TO:

AUTHORIZE consistent with the CEC Council Rules of Procedure and the Financial Rules that an amount not to exceed US\$1,000,000 from the unrestricted CEC surplus funds be transferred to further support the EJ4Climate Grant Program on Environmental Justice and Climate Change Resilience in North America; while

REAFFIRMING that at the end of the grant program, the use of any unspent funds will require approval from the Council;

APPROVED BY THE COUNCIL:

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