



# HOUSING CALIFORNIA

## BOARD OF DIRECTORS

### President

**Arnulfo Manriquez**  
MAAC

### First Vice President

**Chione Flegal**  
PolicyLink

### Second Vice President

**Rachelle Reyes Wenger**  
Dignity Health

### Secretary

**Alan Greenlee**

Southern California Association of NonProfit Housing

### Treasurer

**Tom Collishaw**

Representing NeighborWorks

### Kirk Allen

Resident Advocate & U.S. Veteran

### Murtaza Baxamusa

San Diego Building Trades Family Housing Corporation

### Zelenne Cárdenas

Social Model Recovery Systems

### Alfred Diaz-Infante

Representing California Coalition for Rural Housing

### Amie Fishman

Non-Profit Housing Association of Northern California

### Fernando Gaytan

Representing Child Care Law Center

### Rich Gross

Enterprise Community Partners, Inc.

### Hellen Hong

First Place for Youth.

### David Howden

Corporation for Supportive Housing

### Kevin Knudtson

Community Economics

### Carol Ornelas

Representing National Council of La Raza

### Vicky Ramirez

Jamboree Housing

### Sarah Ropelato

Legal Services of Northern California

### Stephen Russell

San Diego Housing Federation

### Tunua Thrash-Ntuk

Local Initiative Support Corporation (LISC), Los Angeles

September 14, 2018

Ms. Mary Nichols, Chair  
California Air Resources Board  
1001 I Street  
Sacramento, CA 95812

RE: DRAFT Cap-and-Trade Auction Proceeds Third Investment Plan

Dear Chair Nichols, Members of the Board and ARB staff:

Housing California appreciates the opportunity to provide brief comments regarding the Draft Cap-and-Trade Auction Proceeds Third Investment Plan. We commend the California Air Resources Board for its ongoing leadership in addressing climate change. We agree with and fully support your position that that the foundation established by past budget appropriations, legislative direction, and the hard work of implementing the existing programs have produced tangible and important benefits. Our organizational priority, the Affordable Housing and Sustainable Communities (AHSC) program, truly exemplifies wise investment that has led to concrete results.

Housing California is the voice in the state Capitol for children, seniors, families, people experiencing homelessness, and everyone who needs a safe, stable affordable place to call home. Our organization has been a strong supporter of the AHSC program. Housing California was part of the community of organizations that advocated for its inclusion in the California Climate Change Investments. We engaged in this policy advocacy in recognition of the integral role that access to affordable housing plays in reducing vehicle miles traveled, and thus greenhouse gas emissions. AHSC is the quintessential example of an existing program that has a proven track record of expanding and innovating to support a statewide shift toward a more sustainable future.

As always, Housing California and our members are committed to supporting the Climate Change Investments' purpose, continually improving funded programs to achieve our climate goals. We will continue to help innovate and improve the AHSC program to ensure that low-income Californians have better access to resources and jobs, protecting our environment and fighting climate change.



**HOUSING**  
CALIFORNIA

Sincerely,

Tyrone Buckley  
Policy Director  
Housing California