

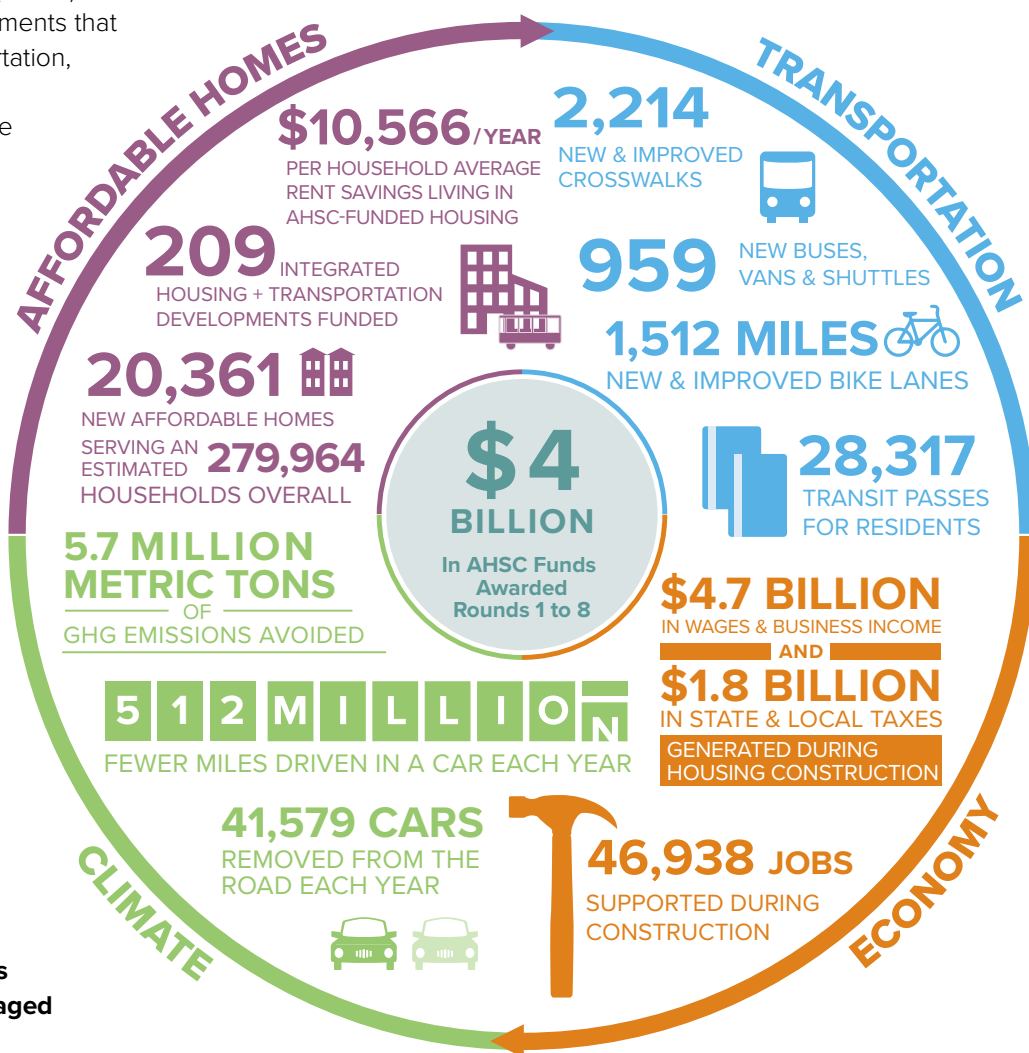


Affordable Housing and Sustainable Communities Program

Since 2014, the Affordable Housing and Sustainable Communities program (AHSC) has funded integrated public investments that include affordable housing, transportation, urban greening, and community programming. AHSC properties have changed development and land use patterns in California to foster more affordable, equitable, and sustainable communities. **AHSC developments significantly reduce greenhouse gas emissions while addressing persistent environmental harms and affordability for low income households.**

The program will help mitigate over **5.7 million metric tons of greenhouse gas emissions** by decreasing reliance on driving while connecting residents to amenities, services, and economic opportunities that are accessible on foot or via public transit. This significantly impacts communities that disproportionately bear the burden of pollution, with **56 percent of AHSC developments located in or benefiting disadvantaged communities (DACs).**

AHSC Impacts and Benefits: Rounds 1 to 8



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AHSC investments benefit individuals, families, and communities across California with the greatest needs.

Of the over 20,000 affordable homes produced through AHSC, 15 percent are permanent supportive housing serving formerly homeless households, 33 percent serve extremely low-income households, with the vast majority of the remaining units serving low-income households of 60% AMI and below. Residents of AHSC developments benefit from an average of \$10,566 in rent savings per year. The program also delivers direct economic benefits in the form of earned wages and taxes, supporting 46,938 jobs and generating \$4.7 billion in wages and business income. Additionally, AHSC developments have generated more than \$1.8 billion in revenue for state and local governments through the form of taxes.



AHSC brings investment to California's diverse communities, including rural, suburban, and urban areas.

AHSC's program design intentionally allows for flexibility to meet each locality's unique climate and housing challenges, informed by extensive community engagement and local partnerships. As a result, AHSC has funded a wide array of developments, ranging from farmworker housing paired with vanpooling services to infill affordable housing developments adjacent to major transit.



Through a 20 percent continuous appropriation from California's Greenhouse Gas Reduction Fund (GGRF), AHSC provides stable, ongoing funding for affordable housing and transportation investments and incentivizes housing developers and transportation agencies to develop long term partnerships and ambitious projects.

This sets AHSC apart from many funding programs, which rely on annual allocations from the state budget or time-limited, voter-approved bonds. Over time, this has resulted in a program that incentivizes housing-transportation projects that meet the highest standards in all regions of the state. This reliable funding also allows local governments and developers to create a consistent pipeline of affordable, GHG-reducing homes and has allowed cities and transit agencies around the state to build relationships and capacity to partner with housing developers. AHSC funds are also used to leverage private and federal resources, such as the Low Income Housing Tax Credit, that further magnifies the impacts of California's investments.

