

South Bay Cities Bring Home Sustainability Awards

Recently announced by the Institute for Local Government, at the Beacon Award Reception during the Annual League of California Cities Meeting in Long Beach, several awards were handed out to member cities of South Bay Cities Council of Governments. The SBCCOG, as a Beacon Champion, encourages its member cities to participate in the Beacon program and assists with bringing programs to the cities that help them meet their sustainability goals.



The Beacon Program provides a framework for local governments to share best practices that create healthier, more vibrant and sustainable communities. The program honors voluntary efforts by local governments to reduce greenhouse gas emissions, save energy and adopt policies that promote sustainability.

The Beacon Program is sponsored by the Institute for Local Government and the Statewide Energy Efficiency Collaborative. The Statewide Energy Efficiency Collaborative (SEEC) is an alliance to help cities and counties reduce greenhouse gas emissions and save energy. SEEC is a collaboration between three statewide non-profit organizations and California's four Investor Owned Utilities.

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The following is a list of SBCCOG member cities winning awards:

Carson:	Silver Beacon Award in Sustainability Best Practices Silver Spotlight Award for Sustainability Best Practices
Hawthorne:	Gold Spotlight Award for Agency Greenhouse Gas Reduction Gold Spotlight Award for Agency Energy Savings Silver Spotlight Award for Sustainability Best Practices
Hermosa Beach	Platinum Spotlight Award for Agency Energy Savings Gold Spotlight Award for Sustainability Best Practices
Inglewood	Gold Spotlight Award for Agency Energy Savings Silver Spotlight Award for Sustainability Best Practices
Rancho Palos Verdes	Silver Spotlight Award for Community Greenhouse Gas Reductions Gold Spotlight Award for Agency Energy Savings Silver Spotlight Award for Sustainability Best Practices
Rolling Hills Estates	Gold Spotlight Award for Sustainability Best Practices