

# KERN COALITION - CERF Community Economic Resilience Fund

California created the Community Economic Resilience Fund (CERF) to help families and businesses invest in their communities.

#### WHAT IS CERF?

The Community Economic Resilience Fund (CERF) was created to help our vulnerable communities recover from the economic distress of COVID-19. The program seeks to increase the opportunities and quality of life of disinvested communities by supporting the development of plans and strategies that lead to high-quality, good-paying jobs in industries that don't negatively impact our environment.

## WHY IS CERF IMPORTANT?

CERF is a transformational effort that seeks to change the way decisions are traditionally made by including everyone in planning for the economy. The CERF program aims to:

- Uplift marginalized communities and ensure their voices are heard in shaping Kern County's economic future.
- Make sure that people from disinvested communities can find pathways to good job opportunities in growing industries.
- Help our community get ready for a future with clean energy.
- Ensure that industries prioritized reflect the communities needs.

### WHY YOU SHOULD BE PART OF CERF:

- You deserve a better job. You deserve a brighter future.
- Join your neighbors, business owners, and many others to make plans that will lead to good-paying jobs that will also help us clean up our communities.
- Together, we will identify viable industries that create jobs that are at a livable wage, including benefits and retirement planning, and allow for professional growth pathways.
- Join us! Monthly meetings are happening in your region. Participate in person or virtually via Zoom.
- Be part of the plan that gives you the power to make real change.
- Flex your power for your future and your neighborhood.



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