



Grant Program:	Green Capacity Building
Grantee Name:	Los Angeles Communities Advocating for Unity, Social Justice, and Action, Inc. (LA CAUSA)
Grantee City/State:	Los Angeles, California
Grant Award Amount:	\$100,000
Initial Period of Performance:	December 2009 – November 2010
Project Name:	LA CAUSA Green Capacity Building Project
Project Description:	Through this project, LA CAUSA will enhance the sustainability-related activities of its existing YouthBuild program. The enhanced activities include the development of a green building curriculum, which includes modules in renewable energy (solar and wind), water conservation, and energy efficiency and weatherization; staff training and certification in energy efficiency and renewable energy; and purchase of energy efficiency and renewable energy training equipment to be used during and after the grant period.
Areas Served by Grant:	City and County of Los Angeles, California (includes Boyle Heights and unincorporated communities of East Los Angeles)
PUMAs Served:	NA
Auto-Impacted Counties Served:	NA
National or Local Grant:	NA
Targeted Industries:	Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy; Renewable Energy Generation; Energy Efficiency; Green Construction; Research, Design, and Consulting; Recycling and Waste Reduction
Targeted Credentials:	Weatherization certification, Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design (LEED) Green Associate Certification, Solar Accredited certification, Solar Installer certification, Green Economic Development certification, Home Builders Institute’s Pre-Apprenticeship Certified Training (PACT) certification
Targeted Occupations:	Solar Photovoltaic Installer, Solar Sales Representative And Assessor, Energy Auditor, Weatherization Installer And Technician, Green Marketer, Recycling and Reclamation Worker, Recycling Coordinator, Sustainable Design Specialist, Wind Turbine Service Technician
Targeted Populations:	YouthBuild program participants
All Project Partners:	Advanced Training and Education: Solar Training Institute, Community Action Partners of San Bernardino, U.S. Green Building Council, Green Building Certification Institute, CD Tech/Los Angeles Trade Technical College, University of California-Los Angeles Center for Community College Partnerships; Career Development and Placement: City of Los Angeles and Los Angeles County Workforce Investment





	Boards (WIBs), Maravilla Foundation, Community Enhancement Services, Pacific Asian Consortium in Employment, Veterans in Community Service, City of Los Angeles Community Development Department, Los Angeles County Department of Public Social Services, East Los Angeles WorkSource Center, State and Los Angeles County Building Trades Council, local trade unions, Los Angeles Unified School District, REAS Energy, Grid Alternatives, Imani Energy, Energy Services and Technology; Advocacy and Policy: Green Los Angeles Coalition, Liberty Hill Foundation, Los Angeles Apollo Alliance, Green for All, SCOPE, Policy Link
Projected Outcomes:	
Curriculum, course materials, or competency models and career ladders developed or updated with grant funds:	Development of a green building curriculum consisting of three modules in renewable energy (solar and wind), water conservation, and energy efficiency and weatherization
The number of instructors projected to participate in capacity building activities:	11
The number of individuals projected to be trained by these instructors:	90% of the students within two LA CAUSA YouthBuild grant cycles will be trained with the organization’s enhanced green building curriculum, photovoltaic installation, weatherization, gray-water system design and installation, and/or wind energy fundamentals
The estimated number of other individuals (besides these students and instructors) projected to participate and/or benefit from capacity building activities:	INA
Other Key Project Deliverables:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Accredited solar training and certification for three staff; weatherization certification for three staff; preparation for three staff members to become Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design (LEED) Certified Green Associates; ▪ A matching portion of staffing for five additional Green Construction Trainers; ▪ Purchase of weatherization equipment, a solar panel, a gray-water system training package, and a wind kit for student training.
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