



CENTRAL VALLEY INCLUSIVE INNOVATION HUB²

Ensuring an equitable green transition in California's Central Valley

Founded in 2022, the **Central Valley Inclusive Innovation Hub** (CViiHub²) builds upon existing resources to **amplify impact** throughout the region and is anchored by key partnerships. The partners are selected based on their strong and aligned engagement with diverse stakeholders and are guided by principles to support **underserved communities**.

MISSION

The primary **mission** of CViiHub² is to **spur business and job creation through the commercialization of clean energy, agricultural, and climate-smart technologies**. Through the Community Energy Challenge, the ambition is to **amend the mission statement to bolster student engagement and to ensure the region's local communities have equitable access to financial and programmatic support**.

ACTION PLAN

Identify: Identify, assess, and promote existing clean energy initiatives, rebates, and services in California's San Joaquin Valley to ensure equitable information sharing and outreach to rural communities.

Engage: Engage with students from the region's minority-serving institutions to educate, inspire, and cultivate the next-generation workforce.

Connect: Connect clean energy startup companies and their services to rural communities in order to increase energy resiliency in our region's disadvantaged communities.

Expand: Continue to provide technical assistance and commercialization services and expand the network of community and industry partners and groups dedicated to fostering a just and inclusive innovation ecosystem.

JUSTICE40 ALIGNMENT

The CViiHub² mission is closely aligned with the Justice40 Initiative and is focused almost exclusively on underserved rural communities with a strong focus on minority groups. The coalition integrates multiple special programmatic elements targeted at supporting equity across the Central Valley. The project will support resilience through inclusion and access.

