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**SURRENDERED AND ABANDONED VESSEL EXCHANGE 2025/2026 GRANT APPLICATION AND WORKSHOP APPLICATIONS FOR THE FY 2025/26**

**SURRENDERED AND ABANDONED VESSEL EXCHANGE (SAVE) GRANT CYCLE WERE ACCEPTED THROUGH APRIL 30, 2025.** The FY 2026/27 application period is estimated to open mid-March 2026. Please check back after March 1st for an update DBW hosted a virtual workshop on March 26, 2025 to provide an overview of the grant application and scoring criteria/matrix as well as recommendations for writing a competitive application. Workshop recordings are posted in the online grant application sidebar of this webpage. The SAVE grant program is designed to remove, reduce and prevent abandoned recreational vessels from entering our waterways. Administered by the California State Parks Division of Boating and Waterways (DBW), grants are awarded annually to qualified local public agencies statewide. The SAVE program, formerly called the Abandoned Watercraft Abatement Fund and the Vessel Turn In Program enacted in 1998 and 2010 respectively, has provided millions of dollars in grants and has successfully removed thousands of vessels. 2023-2024 Grantees Grantee Year Funded Grant Amount Alameda Police Department 2023 \$200,000 Berkeley Marina 2023 \$60,000 Brisbane Marina 2023 \$48,320 Contra Costa County Sheriff 2023 \$275,000 Coronado, City of 2023 \$40,000 Los Angeles County Sheriff 2023 \$80,000 Morro Bay Harbor Department 2023 \$38,000 Newport Beach, City of 2023 \$175,000 Oakland Police Department 2023 \$166,250 Oceanside Small Craft Harbor District 2023 \$36,000 Orange County Sheriff 2023 \$51,000 Port San Luis Harbor District 2023 \$20,000 Redondo Beach, City of 2023 \$32,500 Redwood City, Port of 2023 \$38,500 Richardson's Bay Regional Agency 2023 \$275,000 San Diego Unified Port District 2023 \$100,000 San Francisco, Port of 2023 \$50,000 San Joaquin County Sheriff 2023 \$150,000 San Leandro Marina 2023 \$142,325 San Mateo, County of 2023 \$71,765 San Mateo County Harbor District 2023 \$150,000 Santa Barbara Waterfront Department 2023 \$65,500 Santa Barbara Sheriff 2023 \$25,000 Santa Cruz Port District 2023 \$14,500 Stockton, City of 2023 \$30,000 Suisun, City of 2023 \$60,000 Vallejo Municipal Marina 2023 \$150,000 Ventura Port District 2023 \$81,000 Yolo County Sheriff 2023 \$124,340 Total FY 2023 Funded \$2,750,000 2024-2025 Grantees Grantee Year Funded Grant Amount Alameda Police Department 2024 \$100,000 Berkeley Marina 2024 \$50,000 Contra Costa County Sheriff 2024 \$275,000 Coronado, City of 2024 \$40,000 Eureka, City of 2024 \$28,000 Humboldt Bay Harbor District 2024 \$30,000 Long Beach, City of 2024 \$100,030 Los Angeles County Sheriff 2024 \$80,000 Monterey, City of 2024 \$42,000 Noyo Harbor District 2024 \$60,000 Oakland Police Department 2024 \$150,000 Orange County Sheriff 2024 \$50,000 Port San Luis Harbor District 2024 \$20,000 Redwood City, Port of 2024 \$20,000 Richardson's Bay Regional Agency 2024 \$275,000 Sacramento County Sheriff 2024 \$268,170 Sacramento Police Department 2024 \$85,000 San Diego Fire-Rescue 2024 \$181,800 San Diego Unified Port District 2024 \$120,000 San Joaquin County Sheriff 2024 \$150,000 San Leandro Marina 2024 \$30,000 San Mateo County Harbor District 2024 \$150,000 Sausalito Police Department 2024 \$50,000 Solano County Sheriff 2024 \$60,000 Sonoma County Sheriff 2024 \$155,000 Stockton, City of 2024 \$30,000 Vallejo Municipal Marina 2024 \$100,000 Ventura Port District 2024 \$50,000 Total FY 2024 Funded \$2,750,000

What is the SAVE Grant? In October of 1997, Senate Bill 172 (Raine) created the AWAFF in Section 525 of the Harbors and Navigation Code (HNC). The SAVE grant program is designed to remove, reduce and prevent abandoned recreational vessels from entering our waterways. Administered by the California State Parks Division of Boating and Waterways (DBW), grants are awarded annually to qualified local public agencies statewide. The SAVE program, formerly called the Abandoned Watercraft Abatement Fund and the Vessel Turn In Program enacted in 1998 and 2010 respectively, has provided millions of dollars in grants and has successfully removed thousands of vessels. Who is eligible for a SAVE grant? Section 525 (1)(A) of the Harbors and Navigation Code (HNC) allows DBW to distribute grants to local public agencies that have jurisdiction over navigable waterways in California. Private businesses cannot apply for a SAVE grant; however, they may work through a local public agency that is participating in the SAVE to 1) remove abandoned vessels on their private property, 2) surrender vessels through the Surrendered Vessel Program they have title to, and/or 3) remove navigational hazards. HOW TO APPLY All applications must be submitted through OLGA. To assist users with this system, an OLGA Instructional Webinar can be viewed from the link in the ONLINE GRANT APPLICATION box on the right side of this page. Access the OLGA system to begin an application by clicking the link "Online Grant Application (OLGA)" or click here. For first time users, it is strongly recommended to follow the instructions exactly as provided in the webinar. What does DBW look for during the grant application process? A local government agency that has jurisdiction over navigable waterways in California may apply for a SAVE grant. Grant amounts are based on the agency's funding request and overall application score. The maximum award is capped at 10% of the total SAVE budget which is typically \$2.75 million annually. For an overview of grant information requested in the SAVE application, and for current grant scoring, review the SAVE Grant Application Scoring Rubric in the blue Resources box. This information may change; please check back each year to verify. What will it cost? Per HNC 526(1)(C) a grant awarded by DBW shall be matched by a 10-percent contribution from the local agency receiving the grant. SAVE recipients are required to expend their 10-percent contribution before receiving reimbursement from the SAVE program. The contribution may be rendered in cash or through in-kind contributions which must be verified, and are at the discretion of DBW. The contributions may include the following: • Personnel hours (verifiable base net hourly rates only) • Excess expenses above and beyond the grant amount such as storage, removal, etc. What does the SAVE Grant cover as reimbursable expenses? For abandoned vessels, SAVE provides reimbursement funds for the abatement, removal, storage, and disposal of abandoned vessels, wrecked or dismantled vessels, or parts thereof, from navigable waterways or adjacent public property, or private property with the landowner's consent, per Harbors and Navigation Code (HNC) Section 525. Other partially submerged objects that pose a substantial hazard to navigation may be reimbursed with prior DBW approval. For abandoned vessels, other expenses such as towing, hazmat removal, appraisals, and lien sale costs are also reimbursable through SAVE. For surrendered vessels, reimbursable expenses are removal, storage, towing, hazmat removal, demolition, and disposal. Commercial vessels are not covered under this program. How do I get reimbursed and how often? All processes are explained when a grant is awarded; however, in summary, a participating agency submits a reimbursement claim to DBW using forms available in OLGA. Invoices and payment verification are required to accompany each claim, as is the 10% match. If using an in-kind match, the Itemized 10% In-Kind Contribution Statement is available to download from OLGA. Reimbursement requests may be made at any time, but no later than 45 days after the end date of the grant. Payments normally take 6-8 weeks to process provided all required information is accurate when supplied to DBW. Will our agency be required to accept all vessels surrendered to us? In an effort to intercept vessels before they are abandoned, the Surrendered Vessel Program is the most efficient and practical solution. Deciding which vessels to accept through the program is up to each participating agency. According to HNC Section 526.1, the public agency determines, in its sole discretion, that the vessel is in danger of being abandoned, and therefore has a likelihood of causing environmental degradation or becoming a hazard to navigation. Participating SAVE agencies may accept vessels only in their area of responsibility or from other neighboring California communities. Extra points are awarded to applicants who are willing to accept vessels from outside their jurisdiction. What are the grant agreement requirements? There are both general terms and conditions that are required by all state agreements as well as specific terms and conditions that apply to the grant program. Prospective applicants should ensure that they can comply with these terms and conditions. A copy of the grant agreement can be previewed in OLGA during the application process. What is expected of me as a grantee? DBW values its partnership with SAVE grantees, and strives to provide concise information, prompt reimbursements, and helpful assistance in order to keep SAVE a viable and robust program for the betterment of California and its people. As in all partnerships, communication is key. To that end, grantees have management responsibilities as well. All agency personnel who will be working on SAVE grant activities are required to view the 30-minute SAVE Grant Management Webinar under Related Pages on the right side of this webpage and attend the virtual meeting of all SAVE agencies conducted annually in the fall. Grant funds are expected to be utilized effectively. When agencies apply for a new SAVE grant, points are awarded for efficient management of previous grants. In addition to maintaining communication, grantees are expected to utilize as much of their grant as possible with efficiency and relative speed; failure to do so can be detrimental to the intent and future budget of the SAVE program. If an agency is facing the prospect of having substantial unused funds remaining in their grant, then they are encouraged (and may be required) to help other agencies that are in need through the "Funds Assist" process which is facilitated by DBW. What is the grant process timeline? SAVE grant agreements have a two-year term beginning October 1 and ending September 30. DBW strives to have award notices issued no later than September 1 each year, at which time, the awarded agency will need to download the grant agreement from OLGA. Agencies will sign the agreement and return it to DBW in hard copy along with their City Council or Board of Supervisors Resolution acknowledging authority to accept the grant award and designating the authorized grant signer. Once returned, DBW reviews the grant documents, and completes the internal processes and approvals, typically within one week. When complete, DBW will issue the fully executed agreement and an instruction letter to the award recipient. Work may begin on October 1 or as soon as the agency receives a fully executed agreement from DBW, whichever comes later. To create a SAVE case the user agency must submit: The applicant's biographic information First name and last name; and Date of birth The public benefit(s) requested by the applicant AND At least one unique identifier such as: USCIS/Alien Registration number (A-Number) Form I-94, Arrival/Departure Record number Student and Exchange Visitor Information System (SEVIS) ID number Naturalization/Citizenship Certificate number Card Number/I-797 Receipt number Social Security number (for initial verification only) [1] SAVE cannot verify a benefit applicant's immigration status or U.S. citizenship using a driver's license number, U.S. passport number, foreign passport number without another immigration enumerator, Consular Report of Birth Abroad or other non-DHS documentation. SAVE also cannot verify an applicant's status using only first and last name. To increase the likelihood of an immediate response without additional verification, user agencies should enter all available identifiers SAVE allows, exactly as they appear on the applicant's document(s). For additional information about immigration documents and immigration identifiers user agencies may encounter, see SAVE's Commonly Used Immigration Documents page. Web Browser: All registered agencies may access SAVE using a secure Web browser. Web Services: Registered agencies may also establish a web services application, a machine-to-machine interface over a network, to access SAVE. The agency user submits the applicant's: First and last name; Date of birth; Public benefit(s) requested; and At least one immigration identifier or a Social Security number. Within seconds SAVE returns a response, or prompts the user agency for additional action, including requesting additional verification. If the user agency receives a prompt to request additional verification, they must submit the case for additional verification to receive a SAVE response. When submitting the additional verification request, the user agency may include more information and/or a copy of the applicant's immigration document, if needed or as required. Additional verification can only be conducted with an immigration enumerator; if SAVE cannot provide a response after initial verification for a case created using only a Social Security number, SAVE will close the case and instruct the user agency to submit a new case with corrected/updated information or to include an immigration enumerator, if available. After completing additional verification SAVE will: Return a SAVE response, or Prompt the user to "Resubmit with Docs," which means the user must upload a copy of the applicant's immigration document for verification. SAVE will then return a final response. Need More Information? If you need more help, please email us at [SAVE.help@uscis.dhs.gov](mailto:SAVE.help@uscis.dhs.gov). For more information about registering for SAVE, please visit our website at [1] User agencies can only create a SAVE case with a Social Security number when logged into SAVE using a web browser and is not currently available for SAVE web services connections. SAVE accepts a Social Security number (SSN) to create a case and complete initial automated verification only. An immigration enumerator is required for additional manual verification. OH, HI- You must love to save money. We do too. Save is your destination for deals - from everyday grocery and drugstore items to restaurants, and everything in between. You can find us in your mailbox or tucked inside your newspaper, or even delivered to your driveway or porch each week, with lots of new and exciting offers! 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Resources for individuals who have applied for benefits or licenses, such as healthcare, a driver's license, or a social security card, with a government agency that uses SAVE. Track the status of a pending case with SAVE CaseCheck, watch the SAVE Overview webinar, and learn how to correct your records. Information about eligibility requirements for an agency to register for SAVE, the registration process, and resources for prospective agencies.

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