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NEWS RELEASE

2023 Restaurant Resilience Grants Soon to be Available for Central and Southern California Independent Restaurants

SoCalGas' \$1 million donation to California Restaurant Foundation to support qualifying restaurants with \$5,000 grants; applications open April 15 to May 7

LOS ANGELES (April 12, 2023) – [Southern California Gas Co.](#) (SoCalGas) today announced that grant applications for the [California Restaurant Foundation's \(CRF\)](#) Restaurants Care Resilience Fund will open April 15 to May 7, making \$5,000 grants available to 177 restaurants in SoCalGas' service area, with a total of 360 grants available statewide for qualifying independent restaurants. The grants will go towards technology adoption, equipment upgrades, employee onboarding and retention, or unforeseen hardships.

This latest round of grants follows SoCalGas' \$1 million donation earlier this year to the foundation's [Restaurants Care Resilience Fund](#) to support independently owned restaurants. Together, this brings this year's fund total to \$2.1 million, making it the largest Restaurants Care® Resilience Fund to date since the program started in 2021.

"SoCalGas is partnering with the California Restaurant Foundation's Restaurant Resilience Fund for the third consecutive year with grants for independent restaurants. Restaurants are the fabric and flavor of our local communities, and the work of the foundation helps support and sustain local restaurant owners, their employees, and their businesses," said David Barrett, SoCalGas senior vice president, general counsel, and California Restaurant Foundation board member.

Since its inception, the Resilience Fund has awarded 788 grants to independent restaurants across California. Among them, 68.5% were women-owned and 83% were owned by people of color.

"We are so grateful for SoCalGas' continued support of our Restaurants Care Resilience Fund, as it allows us to help independent restaurant owners in central and southern California to build resilience and strengthen their business for the long term," said Alycia Harshfield, executive director of the California Restaurant Foundation. "The Resilience Fund grants directly benefit the local community by providing restaurant owners with financial assistance to adopt new technologies, upgrade equipment, promote employee training and retention, and weather unforeseen hardships. Thanks to SoCalGas' generosity, this will be our biggest and most impactful Resilience Fund yet!"

“California’s restaurants have faced unprecedented challenges throughout the pandemic, and this grant from the California Restaurant Foundation and SoCalGas will provide funds to help small businesses continue to be a part of our communities,” said Assembly Member Miguel Santiago.

"We are so thankful to SoCalGas for last year’s grant. We were able to purchase a new refrigerator for our kitchen, and with the funding, upgraded it to a more energy-efficient model that better serves my customers and the planet," said 2022 grant recipient Claire Risoli, owner of Pocha LA in Highland Park. "I was also able to award my steadfast employees with a bonus on their paycheck for their loyalty and service, despite the hardships we experienced the past few years. Our team is the heart of Pocha and I know my food is not my greatest asset – my people are."

In addition to providing financial support to restaurants, SoCalGas offers [programs](#) and services to help business customers select energy-efficient equipment. Restaurant owners can schedule a ‘Try Before You Buy’ demo with gas cooking equipment before purchasing, request a no-cost energy survey to be conducted by a utility expert, and obtain information on rebates and incentives for eligible gas cooking equipment, water heating, heat recovery products, and energy-efficient upgrades installation. Commercial customers are invited to attend our No-Cost Foodservice Equipment Expo, April 25th-26th, 2023, 10am to 3pm at the SoCalGas Energy Resource Center, located at 9240 Firestone Blvd., Downey, CA 90241. There, commercial customers can reconnect and rebuild, discover new operational savings and performance tools, and learn about new products and technologies for success.

Resilience Fund applications will be open from April 15 to May 7, 2023, and can be found at www.restaurantscare.org/resilience. Grants will be available to all California-based restaurant owners located in the SoCalGas’s service areas that have less than five units and less than \$3 million in revenue. Priority will be given to restaurants who have yet to receive a grant; however, previous recipients are encouraged to re-apply.

The Resilience Fund is currently accepting additional support from corporations, foundations, and individuals who want to invest in California’s restaurant community. Donations of all sizes are accepted and celebrated at www.restaurantscare.org/resilience. For more information about the California Restaurant Foundation, Restaurants Care, or the Resilience Fund, please visit www.restaurantscare.org.

SoCalGas’ partnership with the California Restaurant Fund is part of the company’s [ASPIRE 2045](#) sustainability goals, which include a commitment to invest \$50 million to drive positive change in diverse and underserved communities across five years.

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About SoCalGas

Headquartered in Los Angeles, [SoCalGas®](#) is the largest gas distribution utility in the United States. SoCalGas delivers affordable, reliable, and increasingly renewable gas service to over 21 million consumers across [24,000 square miles](#) of Central and Southern California. Gas delivered through the company's pipelines will continue to play a key role in California's clean energy transition—providing electric grid reliability and supporting wind and solar energy deployment.

SoCalGas' mission is to build the [cleanest, safest and most innovative energy infrastructure company in America](#). In support of that mission, SoCalGas aspires to achieve [net-zero greenhouse gas emissions](#) in its

operations and delivery of energy by 2045 and to replacing 20 percent of its traditional natural gas supply to core customers with renewable natural gas (RNG) by 2030. Renewable natural gas is made from waste created by landfills and wastewater treatment plants. SoCalGas is also committed to investing in its gas delivery infrastructure while keeping bills affordable for customers. SoCalGas is a subsidiary of [Sempra](#) (NYSE: SRE), an energy infrastructure company based in San Diego.

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other events that disrupt our operations, damage our facilities or systems, cause the release of harmful materials, cause fires or subject us to liability for damages, fines and penalties, some of which may not be recoverable through regulatory mechanisms, may be disputed or not covered by insurers, or may impact our ability to obtain satisfactory levels of affordable insurance; the availability of natural gas and natural gas storage capacity, including disruptions caused by failures in the pipeline system or limitations on the withdrawal of natural gas from storage facilities; changes in tax and trade policies, laws and regulations, including tariffs, revisions to international trade agreements and sanctions, such as those that have been imposed and that may be imposed in the future in connection with the war in Ukraine, which may increase our costs, reduce our competitiveness, impact our ability to do business with certain counterparties, or impair our ability to resolve trade disputes; and other uncertainties, some of which are difficult to predict and beyond our control.

These risks and uncertainties are further discussed in the reports that the company has filed with the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC). These reports are available through the EDGAR system free-of-charge on the SEC's website, www.sec.gov, and on Sempra's website, www.sempra.com. Investors should not rely unduly on any forward-looking statements.

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