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SDG&E released the company's first living sustainability strategy in 2020. The company shares progress annually through reports available at sdge.com/sustainability.

Regular updates on sustainability projects are posted to sdgenews.com.

SDG&E also has a Tribal Relations team available to facilitate electric and gas needs, participate in tribal events or present on SDG&E programs.



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SDG&E's Sustainability Strategy

Helping build healthier, safer and stronger communities and a clean energy future



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SDG&E's sustainability strategy is centered on people - employees, customers, suppliers, contractors and stakeholders. The company seeks to help communities across its diverse service area become healthier, safer and stronger in the face of climate change. SDG&E® is proud to be an energy partner to the 17 tribal nations who have inhabited and been the caretakers of the company's 4,100 square mile service area since time immemorial.

Commitment to Supplier Diversity

SDG&E manages a robust supplier diversity program, which has a long history of engaging diverse suppliers in the company's supply chain. For two decades, SDG&E's efforts to increase the pool of diverse suppliers through outreach and education have exceeded the California Public Utilities Commission's (CPUC) supplier diversity goal. Last year, the company spent more than \$1 billion with diverse suppliers, representing nearly 44% of total expenditures. Part of SDG&E's outreach efforts include engaging directly with the tribal nations it serves through organizations such as the California American Indian Chamber of Commerce.

Community Resiliency & Emergency Preparedness

SDG&E is committed to helping tribal nations prevent and prepare for emergencies to enhance community resiliency. Over the past decade, SDG&E, in collaboration with the tribal nations it serves, has invested in several safety measures to prevent catastrophic wildfires and match the challenges of the ever-changing climate. Examples of this work include fire hardening SDG&E infrastructure, managing vegetation around power lines and poles, and developing emergency preparedness resources, including hosting Wildfire Safety Fairs, distributing generators and supporting the development of microgrids on tribal lands.



Electric Vehicle Charging Infrastructure

In August 2023, SDG&E helped the San Pasqual Band of Mission Indians mark a milestone in their sustainability efforts with the completion of 10 new electric vehicle chargers. These are the first public-facing chargers that SDG&E has installed on tribal lands as part of its mission to make charging easily accessible for all. Because the chargers are connected to underground power lines, they can remain energized during Public Safety Power Shutoffs, which are enacted during extreme fire weather conditions. The tribe now has nearly 100 chargers, including fast chargers, which outnumber pumps at its gas stations two to one.



Tree Planting Programs

Since 2021, SDG&E has made a commitment to provide at least 10,000 trees annually to communities throughout the company's service area. Collaborations with tribal nations are instrumental in reaching this ambitious goal, which is part of the company's sustainability strategy. As an example, in 2022, SDG&E worked with the Agua Hedionda Lagoon Foundation and the Rincon Band of Luiseño Indians to engage youth in a tree care and planting program in Valley Center. Children helped care for trees, growing them from seedlings that they then planted to provide ongoing benefits to the community.

“Developing solutions to help mitigate climate change and make our communities more resilient to its impacts is not just our business at SDG&E. It is also the mission of our 4,800+ employees who live, work and play in this beautiful region we call home.”

– **Estela de Llanos**, SDG&E Vice President of Land and Environmental Services and Chief Sustainability Officer