



CITY MANAGER'S OFFICE

MAIN 209.831.6000 FAX 209.831.6120 WWW.ci.tracy.ca.us

## FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

February 23, 2012

## SAN JOAQUIN VALLEY AIR POLLUTION CONTROL DISTRICT AWARDS CITY OF TRACY GRANT

**Tracy** – The City of Tracy received a \$100,000 grant from the San Joaquin Valley Air Pollution Control District. The grant allows the city to purchase five alternative fuel vehicles.

Grant funds are a part of the public benefit grant program designed to assist government agencies and public institutions fulfill clean air projects that directly affect the air quality of valley residents.

"Receiving affirmation and support to meet the city's sustainability goals is appreciated", stated City Manager Leon Churchill. "Applying for this grant made sense. The City reduces emissions and costs", continued Mr. Churchill.

This award supports the city's sustainability goals, which City Council adopted in 2011 as the Sustainability Action Plan. The Sustainability Action Plan recognizes that sustainability encompasses more than energy consumption reduction or waste management. Sustainability includes concepts that have direct and indirect reductions in greenhouse gas emissions, including reducing emissions generated from transportation and fuel.

The Sustainability Action Plan directs the City to convert municipal automotive fleet from gasoline fuels to cleaner fuels and lower emissions. This effort, combined with other programs and policies identified in the Sustainability Action Plan, will help the City reduce its overall footprint. For more information about the City's citywide sustainability efforts, please visit us at www.thinkinsidethetriangle.com.

## **CONTACTS**

Kevin Tobeck Public Works Director 209.831.4433 Kevin.tobeck@ci.tracy.ca.us