

**BayREN Refrigerant Replacement Program** 

**Implementation Plan** 

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### Program Overview

The BayREN Refrigerant Replacement Program (BRRR or the Program) will provide refrigerant and refrigeration component replacement and system optimization to the Bay Area's food service, food retail, food warehouses, and floralists sectors exclusively. The food service sector is Eexemplified by restaurants and, bars. The food retail sector is exemplified by, grocery and convenience stores, and Ffood-storage or warehousing warehouses are exemplified by commercial kitchens or commissaries.

Tand thehe floralist sector includes both retailers and wholesalers, the food service sector's success of both these sectors relyies on well performing, efficient refrigeration systems.

Refrigerants in these systems have an outsized impact on greenhouse gas emissions (GHG). Most refrigerants have <u>a</u> negative effect on climate change because they contribute to global warming through a high global warming potential (GWP) and ozone layer depletion. For instance, a molecule of refrigerant (R) 22 has 1,810 times more GWP than a molecule of carbon dioxide. Therefore, replacing high GWP refrigerants with climate-friendly alternatives and managing their leaks are tops ways to reduce GHG emissions.<sup>1</sup>

Business owners simply don't have the time, expertise, and resources to management these systems. As a result, many have the fixed mindset: "If it isn't broken, don't fix it." Despite being the heart of the food service and floral ist sectors, but refrigeration systems are often neglected. As a consequence, refrigerant leaks go undetected and defective components cause excessive energy consumption and low system performance. Left unchecked, these issues eventually lead to complete system failure – losing inventory and closing businesses.

Neglected systems also obstructs energy efficiency upgrades. Efficiency contractors are afraid to install more efficient compressor motors on neglected systems, fearful of future liabilities and unrealized energy savings. Some systems are in such poor shape that simply repairing defects and replacing broken parts are the priorities – not energy efficiency retrofits. To improve the efficiency, the system must be performing properly first.

BRRR will fix refrigerants leaks, replace high GWP refrigerants with environmentally friendly alternatives, and replace defective components at low to no cost to participants. BRRR will integrate as-needed repairs to refrigeration systems to prevent future refrigerant leaks. BRRR will also optimize system performance in preparation for

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Drawdown, the Most Comprehensive Plan to Reverse Global Warming, Paul Hawkins, Refrigeration Management

energy efficiency retrofits. BRRR staff will also raise awareness <u>abouten</u> the importance of routine maintenance, and participants are required to sign a 2-year maintenance contract to sustain optimal system performance.

**Program Budget and Savings** 

**Program and/or Sub-Program Name:** 

BayREN Refrigerant Replacement (BRRR)

Program / Sub-Program ID number

**BayREN10**To be determined

## **Program / Sub-program Budget Table**

	2024	2025	2026	2027
Administration	\$ <u>75,916</u> 19 0,850	\$ <u>76,604</u> 196	\$ <u>83,271</u> <del>202,</del> <del>019</del>	\$ <u>78,737</u> 208,09 2
Marketing & Outreach	\$1 <u>217,120</u> ;	\$ <u>224,126</u> <del>1,</del>	\$ <u>335,902</u> <del>1,3</del>	\$ <u>363,324</u> 1, <del>363,</del>
	184,688	<del>327,140</del>	45,114	<del>629</del>
Implementation	\$ <u>797,528</u> 2	\$ <u>1,316,884</u>	\$ <u>1,307,178</u> <del>2</del>	\$1,351,652 <mark>257,</mark>
	33,581	<del>241,658</del>	<del>48,638</del>	504
Incentives	\$ <mark>2,50</mark> 750,0	\$3,000,000	\$3,000,000	\$3,000,000
Total	\$ <u>1,840,564</u>	\$4, <u>617,614</u>	\$4,7 <u>26,351</u> 9	\$4, <u>690,513</u> <del>829,</del>
	4, <del>109,119</del>	<del>765,045</del>	<del>5,771</del>	<del>225</del>

Program / Sub-program Gross Impacts Table Not applicable to this Program.

Program / Sub-Program Cost Effectiveness (TRC)

Not applicable to this Program.

**Program / Sub-Program Cost Effectiveness (PAC)** 

Not applicable to this Program.

Type of Program / Sub-Program Implementer

Third Party-Delivered

Market Sector(s)

Commercial

**Program / Sub-program Type** 

Non-resource (Equity)

Market Channel(s)

Downstream and direct install

Implementation Plan Narrative

### **Program Description**

BRRR will provide the following program services for eligible small- and medium-sized businesses (SMB) in the food service, food retail, food warehousing, and floristal sectors as determined by the North American Industrial Classification System (NAICS):

- Conduct no-cost assessment of existing, operational refrigeration systems, identify <u>global warming potential (GWP)</u> of existing refrigerants, and evaluate the systems for performance and <u>greenhouse gas (GHG)</u>-emissions reduction potentials.
- Conduct no-cost, basic refrigeration system tune-up including:
  - ←—Conduct pressure checks to detect signs of low refrigerant charge.
  - ✓ <u>Identify Detect</u>-source(s) of refrigerant leak(s) and <u>make report</u> recommendation to participants <u>and the BayREN Building Performance Advisor (BPA)</u>.<sup>2</sup>
  - ✓ If <u>systemthe system</u> is performing well with no refrigerant leak detected, evacuate high GWP refrigerant and recharge with low or moderate GWP refrigerants up to 300-lbs.
  - ✓ Perform system check including thermostats settings and calibration, inspect anti-sweat heaters, check and set defrost timer, inspect refrigerant line insulation, inspect condensate drain lines for obstruction, inspect automatic door closers, strip curtains, and door gaskets.
  - ✓ Verify operation and safety of pressure relief valves.
  - ✓ Remove obstructions to airflow over and around condenser and evaporator coils.
  - Provide recommendations in easy-to-read report format to participants for energy efficiency and reliability improvement.
- Up to the project incentive cap<sup>3</sup>, pProvide no-cost refrigerant leak repair, evacuation and recycling of environmentally harmful refrigerant, and refill of midor low-GWP refrigerant.installation of dispatchable net peak reduction measures in compatible refrigeration systems.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> The BayREN BPA is a refrigeration and building science specialist that provides businesses with rebate program referrals, technical assistance, and project management to upgrade their refrigeration systems. More information about this role can be found in the latest BRRR Program Manual saved here: https://cedars.sound-data.com/

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> The project incentive cap amount is found in the latest BRRR Program Manual saved here: https://cedars.sound-data.com/

- Up to the project incentive cap, pProvide no-cost installation of deemed measures such as new door gaskets, strip curtains, anti-condensation controllers, automatic door closers, and media filter to slow future build-up on condenser coils and insulation.
- Up to the project incentive cap, pProvide 75% buydown for new refrigeration components including energy efficient compressors, electrical motors, condenser coils, evaporative coils and drains, fan motors, fan speed controller, refrigerant lines and fittings, valves, defrost timers, thermostat, refrigerant leak detection and repairor, pressure and temperature controls, refrigeration temperature controls and whole condensing equipment.
- Up to the project incentive cap, pProvide replacements for 50% buydown for qualifying stand-alone commercial refrigerators and reach-in coolers/freezers, display glass door walk –in coolers and freezers, walk-in coolers freezers and evaporator fan with two2 or three3 motors.
- Provide no-cost trainings to business owners and operators on simple maintenance they can do regularly.
- To further demonstrate the value of maintenance, each program participant must contract for annual maintenance for a period of two years.

Program Services Summary Table

	100% Buydown	75%- Buydown	<del>50% Buydown</del>
Basic Tune-up,	X		
Maintenance Checks &			
Leak Repairs			
Changeout High GWP	X		
Refrigerant Up to 300-			
<del>lbs</del>			
Dispatchable Net Peak	X		
Reduction Measures			
Install New Ancillary	X		
Refrigeration			
Components			
Remote Refrigeration		X	
Components			
Stand-alone			X
Refrigeration Systems			
Training: Simple Maintenance	X		

<b>Maintenance</b>	Y	
Contractor Referral	X	

#### Rationale

Typically, energy efficiency programs have claimed only the electricity savings (kWh) associated with retrofits to refrigeration systems. Therefore, these programs have dramatically *undervalued* GHG emission reductions and their impact. The undervalue of GHG emission reductions is especially acute with refrigerant exchanges. By tracking GHG emission reductions associated with the re-charge of lower GWP refrigerants, BRRR will clearly quantify this non-energy benefit.

While the available deemed measure list for the food and floral-service sectors has decreased, it has also become clear that the refrigerant itself, separate from the utility bill savings attributed to the efficiency upgrades, is extremely impactful in terms of reducing GHG emissions. The notable and unique design element of the BRRR Program is the tracking of reduced GHG emissions associated with removal of high GWP refrigerants. This element consists of replacing high GWP refrigerant with a lower GWP alternative, in the case of relatively new and well-functioning systems. Alternatively, in older (> 5 years old) and defective systems, system component(s) will be replaced withan one efficient alternative(s) which uses reduces overall energy consumption and eliminates reduces the possibility of refrigerant leaks.

Furthermore, BRRR will address maintenance challenges by providing non-cost tune-ups and minor, low-cost repairs. BRRR will refresh existing systems with simple refrigeration measures (including several formerly deemed measures), component replacement, and preventative maintenance. Depending on the system need, the participant co-pay will be minimal or free. To highlight the benefits of preventative maintenance, each participant must sign up for an annual maintenance contract for two years.

### **Program Deliverables**

BRRR delivers comprehensive technical assistance and project management to target sector including:

- Easy-to-read reports to business decision-maker on current system condition, recommendations, and estimated costs with incentives
- Project facilitation and management provided by program staff to reduce burden on business decision-makers

- New no, low, or moderate <u>GWP</u> refrigerants to replace high-GWP refrigerants
- New, energy efficient refrigeration equipment (standalone coolers, display walkin cooler or freezer, refrigerators) and/or refrigeration system components (condensers, coil, compressors, etc.)
- New ancillary refrigeration components (door gaskets, automatic door closers, media filter, and strip curtains) to improve energy efficiency
- Tune-ups and refrigerant leak repairs to optimize refrigeration equipment\_operation
- Onsite hands-on demonstrations of basic refrigeration maintenance, such as regular coil cleaning and temperature checks, to each program participant
- Referrals to <u>up to</u> three (3) Program-vetted refrigeration maintenance contractors to <u>participant participating businesses</u> to discuss establishing annual maintenance contracts

## **Program Goals**

- Reduce GHG-emissions by recycling environmentally harmful refrigerant from small- and medium-sized businesses in the food service and floralist sectors.
- Catch up on all deferred maintenance on refrigeration systems so businesses canould participate in future energy efficiency programs.
- Instruct business owners, managers, and employees on how and when to maintain their refrigeration systems.
- Createing behavior change by providing best practices training to business owners to prolong the maintenance and reliability of their equipment.
- Highlight the benefits of annual refrigeration maintenance contracts.

## Program Delivery and Customer Services

**Program Targeted Customer Groups & Geographical Areas** 

BRRR targets SMB in the food-service sector: grocery stores, convenience stores, restaurants, bars, and food storage warehouses. Many of these targeted businesses are

hard-to-reach,<sup>4</sup>-some businesses are in disadvantaged communities, and some are both, hard-to-reach in disadvantaged communities. The Program's geographical focus are the nine counties of the San Francisco Bay Area: Alameda, Contra Costa, Marin, Napa, San Francisco, San Mateo, Santa Clara, Solano, and Sonoma.

SMB in the food-service sector includes the following three NAICS categories:

- Warehousing and Storage Sector (49312 and 49313) This category covers
   businesses which provide dry and cold-storage facilities for food and beverage
   products.
- Retail-Trade Sector (446191, 454210, 44422, 445) This category has a primary subsector of Food and Beverage stores, which in turn has the following sub-categories: Supermarkets; Convenience Stores; Meat and Seafood Markets; Fruit and Vegetable Markets; Baked Goods; Confectionary and Nut Stores; Other Specialty Stores; and Beer, Wine and Liquor Stores. As in other sectors, there is considerable cross-over, with many retail stores also having additional wholesale or restaurant components. A much smaller subsector, and one somewhat tangential to food businesses, is Nursery, Garden Center, and Farm Supply Stores.
- Food Serving Sector (624210, 722) This category includes Catering Services, Restaurants, and Bars & Nightclubs. The Community Food Services sub-category covers food banks and programs such as Meals-on-Wheels.

## **Program Eligibility Criteria**

To be eligible, each Program Participant must be:

- 1. located in the San Francisco Bay Area, and
- 2. less than 50,000 sq-ft of conditioned space or use < 500,000-kWh annually, and
- 3. classified as an operating business in any one of the above three NAICS categories, and
- 4. operating at least one remote<sup>5</sup> condensing refrigeration system with high GWP refrigerant charge, and
- 5. receiving electricity service from PG&E or local community choice aggregator customer, and
- 6. has not participated in a ratepayer-funded refrigeration energy efficiency program in the last five (5) years.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup>-CPUC Decision D.18 05 041, a utility customer is considered HTR if the customer meets three of the following criteria, or two if one of the criteria met is the geographic criteria. The criteria are:

<sup>•</sup> Language Primary language spoken is other than English, and/or.

Geographic – Business in Disadvantaged Communities (DAC) as identified by CalEPA pursuant to Health and Safety Code Section-30711 and/or

For small business added criteria to the above include:

Business Size Less than ten (10) employees and/or classified as Very Small (Customers whose annual electric demand is less than 10 kW or whose annual gas consumption is less than 10,000 Therms, or both 0), and/or.

<sup>•</sup> Lease or Rented Facilities - Investments in improvements to a facility rented or leased by a participating business customer.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup>-Remote refrigeration systems are insulated cold food storage areas that are outfitted with an evaporator inside, but the compressor and condenserare located in a remote area away from the refrigerator itself.

A food-service business that **only** uses self-contained<sup>6</sup> refrigeration equipment is not eligible.

### **Program Targeting and Outreach**

The Program will recruit Program Participants via County outreach, in two steps:

Targeting - In collaboration with PG&E and Recurve Analytics, BayREN will make quarterly request of an anonymous list of electric account holders from PG&E. Recurve will filter this list for food service via the accounts' NAICS codes, electricity usage signatures indicating the use of refrigeration systems, and prioritize the accounts with high usages.

After filtering, Recurve Analytics requests contact information for the businesses on the list. PG&E provides the information, without energy consumption data, directly to program staff to inform next step: Outreach.

Participant Outreach — Program staff and BayREN members (County staff) will outreach to the businesses based on geographic eligibility and direct leads to fill out an online interest form to determine eligibility. on the contact list via email and directly calling.

Program staff will coordinate with BayREN members who are county officials to send mailers, promote on their counties' social media channels, and conduct various in-person events, including door-to-door campaigns. As credible members of their communities, county staffers have broad voices and reach into their local businesses. All inbound prospects and leads will be directed toward the BayREN Building Performance

AdvisorBPA. Program staff will also Ooutreach to restaurant and entertainment associations, small business associations, other community-based organizations, and local chambers of commerce will also be conducted.

1. **Contractor Outreach -** Program staff will also conduct outreach to refrigeration contractors and recruit them into serving BRRR participants. Program staff will rely on contractors that have previously participated in Local Government Partnerships and Trade Pro programs.

## **Program Delivery Process**

The BayREN BPA Building Performance Advisor (the Advisor) is the primary implementer of program services. After the initial outreach, the Advisor BPA will verify

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>6</sup> Self contained refrigerators are appliances that house all of their components, such as the condenser and evaporator, inside the unit itself

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>7</sup> The BayREN Building Performance Advisor provides concierge services to businesses interested or actively enrolled in BRRR. More information about this role can be found in the <u>Program Manual Implementation Plan.</u>

eligibility using a questionnaire. At that time, the BPA will also determine if the interested business has an existing maintenance contract. Upon verification, the BPA Advisor will coordinate with businesses so the Program-qualified licensed refrigeration contractors to could conduct on-site or virtual assessments of the business' refrigeration systems and evaluate them for opportunities for refrigerant change-outs and component replacement. If applicable, the refrigeration contractors will evaluate standalone and display coolers and commercial refrigerators.

After each assessment, the refrigeration contractor submits findings and recommendations to the <u>BPA Advisor</u>. The <u>BPA Advisor</u> compiles the <u>field notes and</u> information into easy-to-read summary reports <u>for the business decision-maker</u>. Each report includes recommendations and their costs, <u>estimated</u> electricity savings and GHG-emission reduction estimates, incentive amounts, and next steps. The <u>BPA will Advisor</u> formally presents the report to each <u>SMB-participant</u> and conducts any necessary follow-ups.

If the participant decides to advance the project, the <u>BPA Advisor</u> will coordinate <u>the</u> installation schedule with the refrigeration contractor. After installation, the <u>BPA Advisor</u> will conduct a quality <u>control assurance</u> check and provide hands-on training on system maintenance and optimization. If necessary, the <u>BPA Advisor</u> will coordinate with contractors to remediate any defects. The <u>BPA Advisor</u> issues incentive payments to the contractors-<u>and</u>, <u>conducts the project</u> closeout-<u>the projects</u>, and initiates the two-year maintenance contract.

## Program Design and Best Practices

BRRR will track reductions in electricity usage and GHG emissions using established methods. Knowing that custom-built, remote refrigeration systems are complex, and the electricity savings associated with retrofits are poorly approximated by deemed workpapers, previous energy efficiency programs included system monitoring to account for the project energy savings.

While useful, the installation of monitoring equipment and the long-term subscription fee are costly to programs and the benefits are negligible, especially with the advent of advanced metering infrastructure.\_-

BRRR will claim both GHG emissions reduction and energy efficiency using regulatorapproved methods.

Therefore, BRRR will instead require that interval data be shared via the PG&E Share My

Data platform, allowing for site-wide energy tracking via advanced metering infrastructure platform already in place for BayREN Business FLEXMarket projects. The large pool of potential participants across the Bay Area counties should prove valuable in tracking savings of the unique BRRR measure mix. The direct GHG emissions reduction (from the use of due to lower GWP refrigerant and avoided leaks over the life of the old equipment) will be calculated using the CPUC's latest Refrigerant Avoided Cost and Fuel-Substitution Calculators (RACC-FSC). Energy efficiency savings will be calculated and reported using the latest deemed values in California's depository for deemed values, the Electronic Technical Reference Manuala methodology cited in the Commission's TSB Technical Guidance Document v. 1.2.8

BRRR The program design is informed by decades of implementation experience. Over the course of administering and implementing energy efficiency programs, staff from the San Francisco Department of the Environment Department (SFE) haves seen the consequences from deferred maintenance in refrigeration systems serving the food service and florifloralst sectors. Deferred maintenance adversely impacts businesses by raising operating costs and further hindering energy efficiency uptake.

In 2016, SFE received funding through PG&E's Strategic Energy Resources program to launch the pilot, "Keep It Tuned" to address deferred refrigeration maintenance. It subsequently received additional funding from the Bay Area Air Quality Management District (BAAQMD) to assess the connection between energy efficiency and high GWP refrigerants. Through implementation of the BAAQMD scope, the SFE team identified these common refrigeration maintenance problems:

- Electrical ilsues: failure of compressor starter solenoid, capacitor, and contacts.
- Non-electrical ilsues: refrigerant leaks, ice buildup on evaporators, obstructed evaporators and condensers, and system performance degradation due to age.

 Business owners act when the equipment completely fails; few see the benefits of continuous system monitoring and energy efficiency.

The SFE team partnered with Frontier Energy's Food Service Technology Center to solve these problems by testing several interventions for their ability to achieve long-term energy savings, improve system maintenance, and reduce GHG emissions. The tested interventions were:

<sup>8</sup> The eTRM is accessed here: https://www.caetrm.com/login/?next=/

- Mmaintenance trainings
- Ssystem monitoring and alerts
- <u>T</u>tune ups and preventive maintenance, and
- Rrefrigerant change out and system/component replacement.

These interventions were free or heavily subsidized. Ultimately, the intervention that was the most effective was to buydown the cost of system upgrades and follow up with preventive maintenance. Other findings from Keep It Tuned were:

- High incentives, 50% to 75% buydowns, are necessary to move projects.
- Replacing entire remote condensers vs individual components makes economic sense in many project applications.
- Participants from large grocery stores, hotels and produce warehouses are more diligent in maintenance because they have dedicated engineering staff.
- Participants from SMB benefited from receiving basic maintenance training and ongoing maintenance contracts.
- Participants from small grocery stores and restaurants do not see the benefits of continuous monitoring of their refrigeration systems.

Through the Keep It Tuned Pilot, SFE team learned that programs like BRRR bring benefits to both municipalities and local businesses. Replacing refrigerants and upgrading systems, as well as performing preventive maintenance, are additional tools to help municipalities meet their climate goals. On the other hand, these interventions lower operating costs and improve reliability for SMB-participants.

Challenges	Strategies
No agency is regulating small	Recharge with R410A or R448AConduct
refrigeration systems, so leaks go	no-cost leak detection and repair.
undetected.	
Many existing refrigeration systems are	Replace entire condensing units.
more than 5 years old, and most are in	
various states of disrepair.	
Business SMB decision-makers don't	Proactively engage with local

know who to call for refrigeration	refrigeration contractors.
service, repairs, and maintenance.	
Refrigeration contractors aren't	Simplify the program enrollment process
interested in participating in programs.	for refrigeration contractors.
Business SMB decision-makers have a "If it isn't broken, don't fix it" mindset that leads to deferred maintenance.	Demonstrate the value of routine maintenance and long-term maintenance contractors to SMB participants.
SMB decision-makers are not interested in-Eenergy efficiency or maintenance programs often are not a priority for business decision-makers.	Engage <u>businesses</u> <u>SMB participants</u> from a business perspective.  High incentives, 50% to 75% buydowns, are necessary to move projects.

#### Innovation:

Innovation will come from the BRRR's ability to track, report, and claim GHG emissions reductions from completed projects. Specifically, BRRR intends to claim most of its direct GHG emissions reductions associated with preventing and repairing refrigerant leakage.

Another element of innovation lies in the exploration of the use of advanced, <u>low or no</u> GWP <u>refrigerants of zero</u>, CO<sub>2</sub> (R774) being one of the most popular. Most retrofits are expected to utilize the current "best-practice," moderate-GWP refrigerant for these small systems, R448A (1,387 GWP). However, BRRR will affirmatively recruit customers with compatible systems to test advanced, no GWP refrigerants.

In the first year, BRRR and its contractor pool will seek out and work with local refrigeration contractors willing to explore feasibility of no-GWP refrigerant alternatives in these smaller systems (listed from lower to higher GWP), such as:

- •\_\_\_R717 (ammonia)
- \_\_R744 (CO<sub>2</sub>)
- •\_\_R514A (Opteon XP30®)
- R290 (propane)
- R600A (isobutane)

BRRR will reserve a portion of the incentive budget for these refrigerants. Currently, no-

GWP refrigerant options are mostlyonly compatible with larger systems (>50-lbs of total refrigerant charge), so it is not yet practical for the typical food service\_and floral business participants SMB-(small grocery, restaurants, corner store etc.). But marketing will undoubtedly reach some medium-sized grocery stores with the potential for these refrigerants. The significantly higher costs of these systems will deter many, but the resultant GHG emissions savings will be significantly higher, with impressive cost/avoided ton CO<sub>2</sub> equivalent.

#### Metrics:

BRRR will report the following Value Metrics each quarter:

- Number of participating customers (total, HTR, and DAC)
- Annual kWh savings (total, HTR, and DAC)
- Annual kW savings (total, HTR, and DAC)
- Annual therm savings (total, HTR, and DAC)
- Lifecycle net kWh savings (HTR or Underserved SMB)
- Lifecycle net kW savings (HTR or Underserved SMB)
- Lifecycle net therm savings (HTR or Underserved SMB)
- Lifecycle net GHG savings (HTR or Underserved SMB)
- HTR SMB utility bill savings and/or NEBs

In addition, BRRR will report the following metrics monthly:

- Year-to-date (YTD) Committed Funds
- YTD Gross kWh
- Month Gross kWh
- YTD Committed Gross kWh
- YTD Gross kW
- Month Gross kW
- YTD Committed Gross kW

- YTD Gross Therm
- Month Gross Therm
- YTD Committed Gross Therm
- YTD Net kWh
- Month Net kWh
- YTD Committed Net kWh
- YTD Net kW
- Month Net kW
- YTD Committed Net kW
- YTD Net Therm
- Month Net Therm
- YTD Committed Net Therm

#### **Proposed Outcomes**

- GHG emissions (MTeCO<sub>2</sub>) and electricity (net peak kWh & kWh) usage reductions
- Pounds of high GWP refrigerants recycled
- Number of persons trained to conduct basic maintenance
- Number of vetted, participating refrigeration contractors
- Number of businesses served with:
  - a. site audits
  - b.\_tune-ups
  - c. self-service maintenance training
  - d. preventative maintenance
  - a.e. equipment and refrigerant replacement

#### Pilot:

This section is not applicable to the BRRR.

### Workforce Education and Training:

While BRRR does not include funding for workforce training, BayREN will make every effort to connect contractors with continuing education and professional development resources.

#### Workforce Standards:

This section is not applicable to BRRR.

## Disadvantaged Worker Plan:

BRRR is not designed to directly address needs and desired outcomes related to disadvantaged workers. However, BRRR will increase service demand for the region's refrigeration contractors. As a result, BRRR and its contractor pool could lead to a buildup of apprentices, some of which could be considered disadvantaged workers.

## **Supporting Documents**

Attach the following documents (in PDF format):

- 1. Program Manuals and Program Rules
  - a. BRRR will maintain a "Program Manual" that outlines policies and procedures and serves as a guideline for program implementation.

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## 2. Program Theory and Program Logic Model:

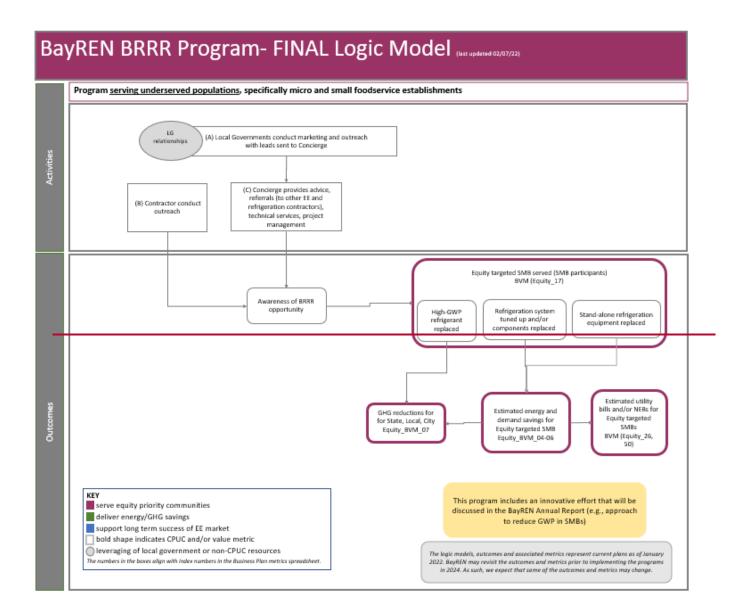
a. The Program Theory and Logic Model below provides a visual depiction of the underlying BRRR theory and approach.

BayREN Refrigerant Replacement (BRRR) Program Logic Model

refrigeration retrofits and refrigerant replacement.

Inputs	-		puts		$\neg$		Outcomes - Impact	
(What we invest)			d who we do it to)		١ ١		nts/changes that occur as	
(What we hivest)	L	Activities	Participation		-	Short (2024)	Medium (2024-25)	Long (2026-27)
Screening via NAICS codes in utility accounts and/or business license and energy usage data. Buydown costs for refrigerant changeouts, recycling, and refrigeration efficiency projects. BayREN Building Performance Advisor (BPA) – primary implimenter to deliver Program services. Local government as a "trusted messenger" that promote the program by reaching out to food service customers in the regions's nine counties. Referral to Program-vetted refrigeration maintenance contracts with Program participants.	7	Promote Program through outreach and targeted marketing with in-language materials Conduct no-cost assessment of refrigeration systems, evaluating energy efficiency and greenhouse gasemissions reduction potential Replace high global warming potential refrigerants and improve efficiency of refrigeration equipment Provide in-language, hands-on training on refrigeration system maintenance and optimization Identify challenges, barriers, make continuous improvements to Program	Customers in the food- service sector     Local government staff and elected officials     Local refrigeration contractors	F	Bay Area food service businesses improve efficiency of refrigeration systems and lower the global warming potential of refrigerants in use.     Bay Area food service business owners/managers become educated on how to maintain optimal performance.		Bay Area food service businesses improve efficiency of refrigeration systems and lower the global warming potential of refrigerants in use. Bay Area food service business owners/managers become educated on how to maintain optimal performance of their refrigeration systems. BayREN meets or exceeds projected annual energy savings and greenhouse gas emissions reduction goals.	Bay Area food servic businesses improve efficiency of refrigeration system: and lower the global warming potential of refrigerants in use     Bay Area food servic business owners/managers become educated or how to maintain optimal performance of their refrigeration systems.  Greenhouse gas emissions reduced the systems.  ### MTCOE of environmentally systems.
Program evaluation would assess (thru analysis, metrics, evaluation, interviews, etc.) the effectiveness of these inputs in helping to accomplish the long term goal.  For example:  Did the participation track meet the needs of the program participants?  What was the response rate from the Program Outreach?  BRRR Program tracking data can serve as indicators.		Program evaluation would assess the effectiveness of these outputs in helping to accomplish long-term goal. For example:  • Was the outreach to customers effective in promoting Program?  BRRR Program tracking data can serve as indicators.	Program evaluation would assess participation level and related metrics in helping to accompilish the long term goal.  For example:  Did the Program target the right participants?  Were messages and communications effective?  Did stakeholders/ advocates fulfill their roles?  BRRR tracking data, plus surverys and interviews, coserve as indicators.	5		expolore feasibility of low to zero global warming potential refrigerant alternative in smaller refrigeration systems.  Identify and recruit customers with compatible refrigeration systems to test out lowest or no global warming potential refrigerants.  Data collected on customer sites to inform program optimization and targeting.	Identify challenges, barriers and make improvements.     BRRR Program becomes more streamlined and projects flow more smoothly.     Completing more projects each year.	hamful refrigerants  BaryREN meets or exceeds projected annual energy seving and greenhouse gas emissions reduction goals.  Identify challenges, barriers and make improvements.

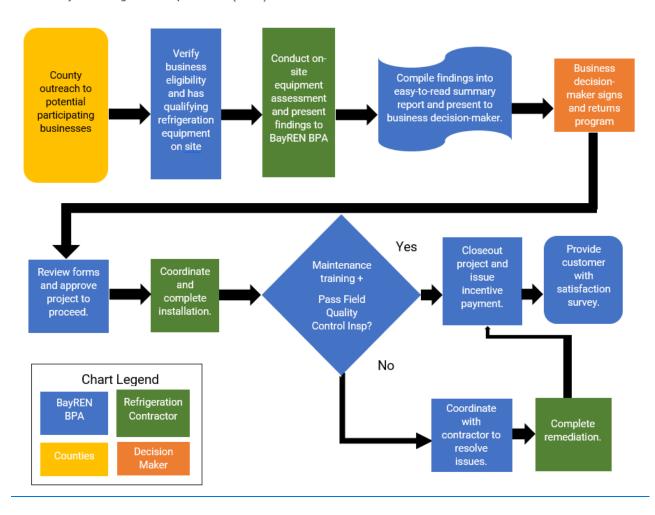
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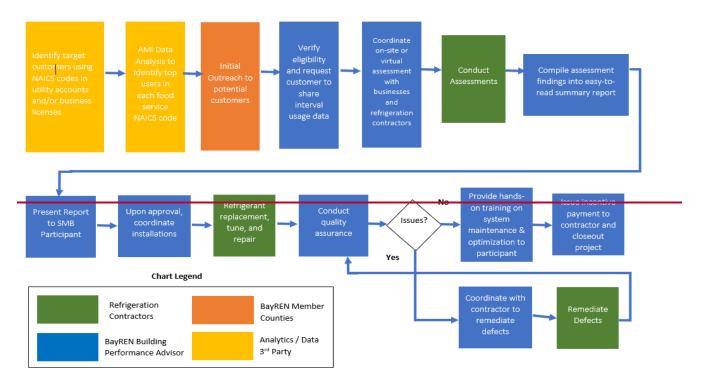
#### 3. Process Flow Chart:

a. The process flow chart below visualizes the components of program participant entry through implementation.

BayREN Refrigeration Replacement (BRRR) Process Flow Chart



BayREN Refrigeration Replacement Program Process Flow Chart



- 4. Incentive Tables, Workpapers, Software Tools:
  - a. Incentives Tables:

Refer to the Program Manual for incentive tables.

	Incentives Rates				
Measure Description	100% Buydown	75%- <del>Buydown</del>	<del>50%</del> Buydown		
Basic Tune-up, Maintenance	X				
Checks & Leak Repairs					
Changeout High GWP	X				
Refrigerant Up to 300-lbs					
Compressor Replacement		X			
<b>Electrically-Commutating</b>		X			
Motors					
Condenser Coil Replacement		X			
Evaporator Coil Replacement		X			
Expansion Valve		X			
Replacement		<b>X</b>			
Refrigerant Line &		×			
Condensation Drain Line		^			
Replacement					
Drier/Filter Replacement		X			
Anti-sweat Controllers		X			
Door Weatherstrip		X			

Replacement			
Door Closer Replacement		×	
Thermostat Replacement		×	
Misc. Valves & Fittings		X	
Basic Maintenance Training	X		
Higher efficiency, Self-			×
contained Refrigerators			

## 5. Quantitative Program Targets:

a. The following table provides a high-level overview of quantitative annual performance targets over the five-year program cycle.

Target Description	2024	2025	2026	2027
Number of Projects	<u>20</u> 350	<u>41</u> 00	<u>120</u> <del>500</del>	<u>150</u> 600
Metric Tons of CO <sub>2</sub> - equivalent Reduced	<u>247</u> 4 <del>,325</del>	<u>1,236</u> 4,943	<del>6,179</del> <u>1,482</u>	<del>9,268</del> <u>2,317</u>
Pounds of Refrigerants Reclaimed	<u>458</u> 8,015	<u>2,290</u> <del>9,160</del>	<u>2,748</u> <del>11,450</del>	<u>4,294</u> <del>17,175</del>
Incentive \$/MTCO2e Reduced	\$368	\$313	\$268	\$250
Number of Projects w/ Advanced, No- GWP Refrigerants	16	412	<u>6</u> 15	<u>8</u> 15

## 6. Diagram of Program:

a. This section is not applicable to BRRR.

#### 7. Evaluation, Measurement & Verification (EM&V):

a. BRRR will comply with all CPUC and BayREN directives, activities, and requests regarding the Program and project evaluation, measurement, and verification (EM&V). The following describes the approaches and data that will be collected for ongoing program evaluation. A more detailed summary of EM&V efforts can be seen in the BRRR Program Manual.

Project information will be gathered through a series of discussions and verification checks with each participant and refrigeration contractor. A

database within BayREN's customer relationship management system will be used to track information about the SMB-participant, project, energy savings claims, and other details that will help show the impact of this program. Once information is gathered, it will be entered in the database and then used to generate reports. Data will be shared on a quarterly basis or ad-hoc as requested.

- 8. Normalized Metered Energy Consumption (NMEC):
  - a. This section is not applicable to BRRR.