



SoCalREN Kits for Kids Program

Providing children and their families with free energy-efficient items and education

The **SoCalREN Kits for Kids Program** introduces third- and fourth-grade students, from eligible schools, to energy efficiency. Students perform an interactive scavenger hunt and receive energy-efficient items at no cost, which can help their families save money and improve their comfort and safety at home. Participation includes each household installing the energy-efficient items from the kit in their home. Each enrolled classroom is eligible to receive a \$1,000 grant, if 65% of students install the energy-efficient items and provide proof of installation.

How It Works

1. Schools and teachers receive information about Kits for Kids, and teachers enroll their classroom at socalren.org/k4kenroll.
2. Students take home kits with energy-efficient items, installation instructions, and educational activities.
3. Students complete at-home activities with their parent(s) or guardian(s).
4. Families install the LEDs and other items in their homes, complete the installation verification card, and enjoy energy savings.
5. Students return the installation verification cards to their teachers, who then complete an online form verifying installation for their classroom.
6. Classrooms receive a \$1,000 grant after teachers report installation.

Eligibility

- Schools must be within SoCalREN territory.
- Students must be in third or fourth grade.
- Households where energy-efficient items are installed must be in SoCalREN's service area. See service areas at socalren.org/about.

What's in the Kits

- Two LED bulbs
- One efficient-flow showerhead*
- Two faucet aerators*
 - One 1.5 gallons-per-minute (GPM) kitchen faucet aerator
 - One 1.0 GPM bath faucet aerator

Benefits

- Students, teachers, and families learn about the importance of energy efficiency.
- Families receive energy-efficient items at no cost, plus enjoy long-term savings on their energy costs.
- Classrooms that meet participation goals, receive grant support.
- Residential communities reduce their contribution to climate change.

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*Products may vary. If the participating school is located within an electric only service territory, the kit will include a smart plug instead of the showerhead and faucet aerator measures. Limited supply per household and where applicable. Certain restrictions apply.

Towne Avenue Elementary School Students Earn Energy Savings and Educational Grant

Two Classrooms Receive \$1,000 Each After Completing SoCalREN Kits for Kids Program

Fourth-grade students at Towne Avenue Elementary School in Carson, California, are moving to the head of the class when it comes to saving energy—at school and at home. Led by teachers Dan Bonn and Paul Zinza, students from two classrooms recently completed SoCalREN’s Kits for Kids Program.

As part of the free energy efficiency curriculum, students learned about ways to conserve energy and performed an interactive scavenger hunt. They also received energy-efficient items like LED lightbulbs, an efficient-flow showerhead, and faucet aerators that their parents or guardians could install in their homes.

Bonn and Zinza said the energy-saving information seamlessly fit into lessons about health, Earth Day, and current weather and events. “Overall, the program was easy to implement,” said Bonn. “Thank you for an awesome learning and teaching experience.”

Because the families of 65% of the students in each class installed the energy-saving items they received, each classroom earned a \$1,000 grant. The teachers plan to use the funding to purchase a 3-D printer and a set of books for the classes to use.

“By participating in this program, the students are leaving a legacy for future classes and earning money for the school,”

said Zinza, during an award ceremony in which officials from SoCalREN congratulated the classes and presented the school with a check for \$2,000.

Upon completion of the program, several students mentioned that the energy-saving knowledge they gained was leaving a lasting impact outside of school. Many families have begun to make other changes to increase the energy efficiency of their homes.



“ I really like the LED lights in my room, and the showerhead works really well! ”

—Fourth-grade student
Towne Avenue Elementary School

Learn More

Find out how your school can enroll in SoCalREN’s energy efficiency curriculum. Contact us for details on the Kit for Kids Program today.

Email kitsforkids@socalren.org
Call (877) 785-2237

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