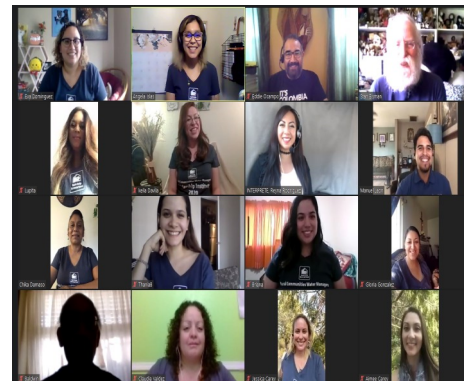


# BE PART OF THE 2021 RURAL COMMUNITIES WATER MANAGERS LEADERSHIP INSTITUTE



**The Rural Communities Water Managers Leadership Institute offers a one-of-a-kind capacity building program specifically for residents and leaders from disadvantaged communities to gain the skills and knowledge to better participate in regional water management programs.**

Self-Help Enterprises invites you to participate in the 2021 Leadership Institute, which will take place virtually on the following dates:

## **Cohort Meeting Dates:**

**April 24, May 8 & 22, June 12 & 26, July 10 & 24,  
August 14 & 28, and September 18.**

**Dates subject to change; virtual meetings will be approximately 2 hours.**



**COMMUNITY WATER BOARD MEMBERS, STAFF, RESIDENTS, AND OTHER WATER LEADERS ARE ENCOURAGED TO APPLY!**

**STIPENDS UP TO \$500 PROVIDED TO ALL GRADUATES!\***

**If you are interested in participating in the 2021 Leadership Institute, please apply today at [https://bit.ly/RCWMLI2021\\_ENG](https://bit.ly/RCWMLI2021_ENG) or complete and return the attached application.**

**You may also contact Manuel Leon at [Manuell@SelfHelpEnterprises.org](mailto:Manuell@SelfHelpEnterprises.org) or (559) 802-1611 to sign up or for more information.**

*\* Participation stipends are provided to cover costs incurred while participating in the Institute and will be dispersed at the end of the program. If you require financial assistance to cover costs during the Institute, please contact Manuel Leon after applying.*

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## Why should community residents and leaders sign up for the Leadership Institute? Hear from our previous Leadership Institute graduates:

- “As community leaders we are charged with serving our communities as best we can. The Leadership Institute provides us with training and resources to help us do a better job of serving as well as understanding rules and regulations we must comply with.” - Jim Maciel, Armona
- “My overall experience was very enriching. I learned the importance of leadership and community outreach and about those who need this resource the most. I loved the group dynamics that taught us to put what we learned into practice.” Keila Davila



## During the six-month program, participants will:

- Foster relationships through a supportive cohort of water leaders in the Central Valley.
- Gain valuable information about water management and planning programs and agencies in California.
- Develop tools and gain resources, including a professional bio and communication materials, to enhance your participation and better represent your community.
- Participate in a water tour to learn how different water users leverage their resources and work with others to reach sustainability, dependent on public health guidelines and recommendations.
- Partner with engineers to identify projects and work on enhancing project development.
- Practice skills needed to effectively participate in regional/State water management and planning programs.



*This Leadership Institute is offered for free to interested participants. Funding for the Institute is provided by Water Foundation and the United States Department of Agriculture Rural Development.*