The California Film Commission (CFC) enhances California's status as the leader in motion picture, television and commercial production.

A one-stop office for filmmakers, the Commission supports productions of all sizes and budgets. In addition to managing the Film & Television Tax Credit program, services include an extensive digital location library, free online permitting, low cost use of state properties as shooting locations, and production assistance.

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Upcoming Application Window - Jan. 11 - 24, 2016

California Film and TV Tax Credit Program 2.0

Application Window for:

Feature Films (Non-transferable tax credit) -

- $32.2 million available
- Credit will apply to a maximum qualified spend of $100 million (no total budget cap)

Independent Projects (Transferable tax credit)

- $4.6 million available
- Credit will apply to a maximum qualified spend of $10 million (no total budget cap)

Applications are ranked within categories (Indie Project vs. other Indie Projects) based upon their "jobs ratio" score.

Projects that rank in the top 200% (double the number of projects for which funding is available) will be notified by Jan. 26 to submit Phase II documents.

On-line Application portal will Go Live Monday, January 11 at 8:00 a.m.

Applicants should begin to prepare their budget and materials early. You will need a completed and tagged budget in order to fill out the
California Film Commission application.

Be sure to carefully read the Budget/Tagging Instructions so that you can accurately tag your budget. Pay close attention to box rentals and car allowance.

A Jobs Ratio Calculator tool is available to assist you in preparing details for the application.

Finally, applicants should prepare all materials listed in the Checklist as you will be required to submit these within three days if your application is selected.

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Please note: The ("interim") 2nd Emergency Regulations will be in effect for all January applications. See these and other helpful links below:

- Guidelines
- Regulations
- Budget/Tagging Instructions
- Qualified Expenditure Charts
- Jobs Ratio Calculator
- FAQs

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