



Strategic Growth Council

Health In All Policies Task Force

Implementation Plan: Urban & Community Greening and Access to Green Spaces

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3 Year Implementation – Multiple Agencies

Aspirational Goal: *All Californians have access to places to be active, including parks, green space, and healthy tree canopies.*

- Objective 1: Support the establishment of a baseline tree canopy inventory.
- Objective 2: Develop and disseminate information about the health, environmental, and economic co-benefits of parks, urban forestry, and urban and community greening to non-traditional partners.
- Objective 3: Coordinate urban and community greening opportunities across other HiAP Task Force implementation activities and with other state agency work groups.

Objective 1 Action Items and Deliverables

Action Item 1.1: Encourage local governments to conduct tree canopy assessments.

Deliverables:

OPR: Annual Planning Survey Tree Canopy Results.
Updated Website.

CAL FIRE: Updated Website.
Continue technical assistance and advice.
Incentivize with grants where possible.

CDPH: Assist as needed.

Action Item 1.2: Share findings of CAL FIRE's pilot project to assess San Jose area tree canopy using high resolution satellite imagery.

Deliverables:

CAL FIRE: Summary document; presentation on findings at SGC meeting. (Findings will also be presented to all local governments within study area.)

Objective 2 Action Items and Deliverables

Action Item 2.1: Create Messages that highlight the benefits of parks and greening for new target audiences.

Deliverables:

CAL FIRE, Parks, CDPH: Messages with target audience information.

Action Item 2.2: Encourage local implementation of urban and community greening through message and resource dissemination.

Deliverables:

CAL FIRE, Parks, OPR, SGC, CDPH: Updated OPR webpage, OPR Local Government Roundtable meeting minutes.

Note: Significant CAL FIRE (and CAL FIRE partners) resources and publications available already and more in the pipeline for both of the above action items.

Objective 3 Action Items and Deliverables

Action Item 3.1: Incorporate action steps that advance urban and community greening as implementation plans for other Task Force recommendations are developed.

Deliverables:

CDPH and HiAP Task Force: Action steps related to greening in completed implementation plans.

Action Item 3.2: Incorporate urban and community greening concepts to support HiAP Task Force work on housing siting and air quality.

Deliverables:

CDPH, HCD, ARB, EPA, CAL FIRE: Document summarizing existing research.

Action Item 3.3: Identify and coordinate opportunities to support urban and community greening within existing interagency workgroups.

Deliverables:

CDPH, HiAP Task Force, state workgroups: Awareness across workgroups of each others' efforts to support greening.

Cross Cutting Themes (1)

- Interagency and non-governmental partner collaboration: urban and community greening should be infused into various project areas including but not limited to transportation, healthy food access, air quality and violence prevention.
- Equity: Urban and community greening and all of the multiple benefits that result often elude low income and racial/ethnic minority neighborhoods. This is a primary concern of the task force.

Cross Cutting Themes (2)

- Community Engagement: *Urban and community greening happens at the local level.* Local governments will be engaged through message development and resource dissemination to promote greening. Non-government partners will be collaborated with in message development and resource dissemination.
- Data: Gathering, interpreting and disseminating data is proposed. The state will provide tools for local data collection and analysis as well as directly provide data to support local greening efforts.

CAL FIRE's Urban & Community Forestry Program

- Leadership
- Collaboration and Partnerships
- Policy development and interpretation
- Technical assistance and advice
- Public and professional education
- Public events
- Local and regional advocacy
- Technology transfer
- Grants:

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