



OFFICE OF  
SUSTAINABILITY  
COUNTY OF SAN MATEO



# Office of Sustainability FY 2021-22 Performance Presentation

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# Purpose

The Office of Sustainability is committed to building sustainable communities that fulfill the needs of the present and future.



# Equity in the Office of Sustainability

- ❖ Office-wide Racial Equity and Social Justice Initiative
  - Equity Framework
  - Program Pilots
- ❖ Partnerships with Community Based Organizations





# Engaging Youth in Socially Vulnerable Communities

- ❖ 69% of Youth Climate Ambassadors are persons of color
- ❖ 22% of Youth Exploring Climate Science are from socially vulnerable communities





# Providing Equity-Focused Small Business Support



- ❖ 60% of Percent of Green-Certified Businesses serve under-resourced communities
- ❖ Launched Online Small Business Resource Center



# Partnering with Under-Represented Communities

## Community Resilience Pilot Projects

- ❖ Community resilience hubs at Senior Coastsiders in Half Moon Bay and Hope United Methodist Church in South San Francisco
- ❖ Extreme heat resilience for households in Redwood City, North Fair Oaks, Menlo Park and East Palo Alto
- ❖ Energy and emergency planning for medically dependent residents countywide





# Performance Measure Spotlight:

60% of Schools Program  
Participants from  
Low-Income Communities

*“The Office of  
Sustainability has brought  
their knowledge,  
expertise, and  
enthusiasm to every level  
of our school district.”*

Julie D., Millbrae Teacher



# Innovation: Reducing Food Waste

## Edible Food Recovery:

- 23 participating food generators, 3 food recovery organizations
- 5.4M pounds/year of surplus food recovered for food bank distribution





# Innovation: Climate Action

- ❖ Advancing SMC Climate Action Goals with Electric Vehicles
  - 192 Charging stations at seven county facilities
  - Zero Emission Vehicle Strategic Plan
  - Solar-charger EV Pilot



# Innovation: Compost Procurement Pilot

Leading countywide compost procurement collaborative with 20 SMC cities & partners







Thank You!

Questions?