

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."

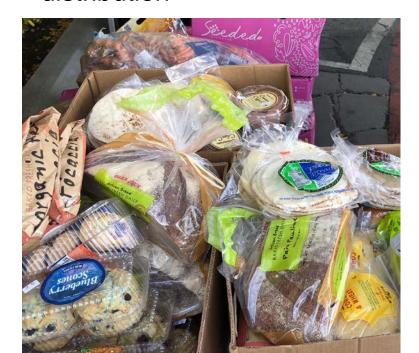
Julie D., Millbrae Teacher

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



