Regional Equity Strategy

The region’s vision for 2050 is to provide exceptional quality of life, opportunity for all, connected communities, a spectacular natural environment, and an innovative, thriving economy. This cannot be achieved without dismantling systems of racial inequity.

“One-size-fits-all” strategies are rarely successful. Rather than seeking to establish policies and practices where everyone is treated the same, PSRC is establishing universal goals while considering how different groups have faced, and continue to face, different barriers. PSRC recognizes that other groups of people are still marginalized based on race, gender, sexual orientation and gender expression, ability, age, and other factors. Focusing on racial equity provides the opportunity to address the unique circumstances of various groups and recognizes the interconnected ways in which marginalization takes place.

PSRC is working with its Equity Advisory Committee (EAC) to develop a Regional Equity Strategy. The strategy will implement the policies in VISION 2050 that work towards equitable outcomes for all and will serve as a guide for coordinated planning within the region. It will introduce a framework, tools, and resources that can be applied to other marginalized communities.

The work plan was finalized in March 2021. The strategy is currently under development, with initial components expected by summer of 2023. Work to refine and implement the strategy will be ongoing.
Equity Advisory Committee

- Reports to PSRC Executive Board
- Center equity in PSRC work
- Involve stakeholders early and often
- Co-create Regional Equity Strategy

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