

Equity Tracker

Development Updates

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The Equity Tracker Project: Recap

- Brief background & purpose
- Key product elements
- Previous engagements with EAC Members

Recent Developments

- Upcoming launch
- Themes & indicators

Next Steps

The Equity Tracker Project



Regional Equity Strategy



Capacity Building

Learning Opportunities
Prioritizing Equity
Inclusive Procurement
Hiring and Retention



Community Engagement

Equity Advisory Committee
Anti-Displacement Organizations
Inclusive Engagement Guidance



Data and Research

Equity Analyses
Equity Tracker
Legacy of Structural Racism
Data & Analysis



Best Practices

Equity Impact Tool
Equity Planning Resources

Elements of the Equity Tracker project



Primary goals

- Measure life outcomes & highlight disparities between communities: **Data**
- Track performance over time in closing equity gaps
- Publicly hold PSRC & its partners accountable

Key takeaways from peer reviews

- Foundation based on **VISION 2050**
- Systematic & rigorous evaluation of data & sources
- Uses: first info provision, then data sharing
- Provide **context** & point toward **solutions**

Engagements with EAC members



- 2022 FEB** EAC meeting: Introduced Equity Tracker
Members expressed interests to:
- Learn more about **data, context, solutions**
 - **Review draft** product & provide feedback via **surveys**
- APR** EAC meeting: Discussed **data, context, solutions**
- MAY** Invited members to **review draft** webpages & respond to **survey** focused on **data, context, solutions**
- AUG** Ended **review** & **survey** (new PSRC website launched)
- OCT** EAC meeting: Discussed feedback from **review** & **survey**; reported on development progress
- 2023 JUNE** EAC meeting: Provided project updates; showed how members' feedback is incorporated in webpage templates

Recent Developments



Equity Tracker Launch



Initial “Soft” launch

- Expected by end of April
- Will contain data work accomplished to date

Touch points with boards & committees

- Equity Advisory Committee
- Regional Staff Committee
- Executive Board, Growth Management Board, Transportation Policy Board

Equity Tracker Themes & Indicators



THEMES

(sections in VISION 2050)

INDICATORS

Climate Change

Flood risk

Communities & Health*

Cardiovascular disease mortality

Health insurance

Life expectancy

SNAP participation

Economy

Educational attainment

Kindergarten readiness

Household income

Environment

Toxic releases

Tree canopy cover

* Refers to the *Development Patterns* section in VISION 2050

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THEMES

(sections in VISION 2050)

INDICATORS

Housing

Access to affordable rent
Homeownership
Renter cost burden
Renter overcrowding

Public Services

Imprisonment**
Internet access

Transportation

Distance to high-capacity transit
Sidewalk completeness

** Highlights communities where more human services may be needed to help reduce rates of imprisonment

Equity Tracker Themes & Indicators



THEMES (sections in VISION 2050)	INDICATORS <u>UNDER EXPLORATION</u>
Climate Change	Fire risk Heat risk
Economy	Access to living wage jobs
Regional Collaboration	Voter participation
Transportation	Safety

Next steps



Immediate project timeline



- 2024**
- APR** EAC meeting: status updates
Equity Tracker “soft” launch
 - MAY** Website/tool refinements
 - JUNE** Executive Board meeting: “official” launch
Solicit feedback from EAC members via survey
 - JULY** Work on Census data & related updates
 - FALL** Circle back with EAC to discuss development priorities

Thank you!

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