



# ENVIRONMENTAL JUSTICE (EJ) ACTION COMMITTEE INFO SHEET

## WHY ARE WE SEEKING A SOUTHWEST CLUSTER REPRESENTATIVE?

The purpose of the formation of the Environmental Justice (EJ) Action Committee is to develop ongoing EJ community engagement for disadvantaged EJ communities and host quarterly roundtable meetings with local stakeholders to guide and evaluate the implementation of environmental justice policies. This is part of the City of Santa Ana General Plan Environmental Justice policy implementation Land Use Element Policy 3.25.

## WHO IS THE EJ ACTION COMMITTEE?

The committee formation will consist of one resident from each geographic EJ Cluster, two representatives from local community-based organizations (CBOs), one representative from the City of Santa Ana, and one representative from the Orange County Health Care Agency. The purpose of the committee is to collaborate and provide guidance on the implementation of the General Plan Environmental Justice policies and actions.

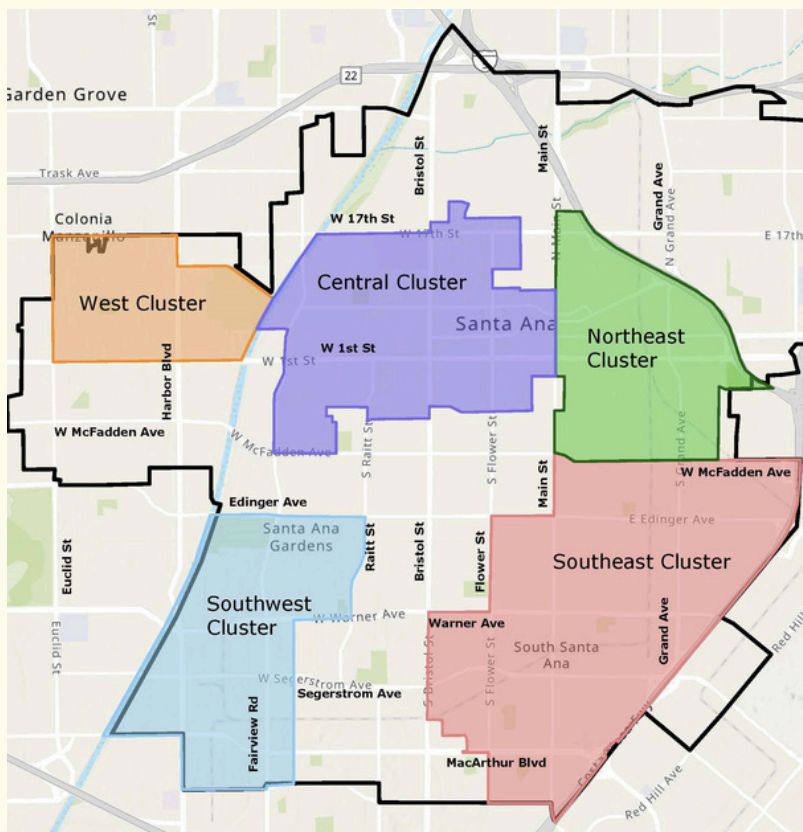
- Residents – An application is now available for residents interested in serving on the City's EJ Action Committee. One resident represents one of the 5 EJ clusters (Northeast, Southeast, Southwest, West, and Central) on the EJ Action Committee. Both online and hard-copy applications are available.

## WHAT ARE THE REQUIREMENTS TO BECOME A RESIDENT CLUSTER REPRESENTATIVE?

- Must reside in an Environmental Justice/ Disadvantaged area - **Southwest Cluster** community. Refer to the city's *environmental justice action committee* website for reference [www.santa-ana.org/environmental-justice-action-committee/](http://www.santa-ana.org/environmental-justice-action-committee/)
- Commit to meet regularly on weeknights (approximately 5 hours per month) and complete the Southwest Cluster 2-year term.
- Have experience and active participation with the General Plan and/or EJ issues.

## WHAT IS THE REVIEW TIMELINE AND SELECTION PROCESS?

Applications are to be emailed, dropped off at City Hall; Attn: Lizbeth Reyes, or given to a current EJ Action Committee Member by January 12, 2026. The current EJ Action Committee will review applications and select the resident representative in early February 2026.



Please submit your application to the City's Neighborhood Initiatives & Environmental Services team at [lreyes@santa-ana.org](mailto:lreyes@santa-ana.org) or call (714) 667-2758.



# GENERAL PLAN ENVIRONMENTAL JUSTICE IMPLEMENTATION ACTIONS

*The following Elements summarize the key Environmental Justice Implementation Actions in the City's General Plan. To see the complete list of actions visit the following website:*

[www.santa-ana.org/documents/city-general-plan-approved-environmental-justice-implementation-actions-2022/](http://www.santa-ana.org/documents/city-general-plan-approved-environmental-justice-implementation-actions-2022/)

## COMMUNITY



- Incorporate community stakeholders from environmental justice communities to form an Environmental Justice Action Committee.
- Plan for and conduct a community survey every two years related to community health, pollution concerns, parks, community engagement, and community service needs, with focused outreach to environmental justice priority areas utilizing various platforms.

## LAND USE



- Establish criteria for requiring health risk assessments for existing and new industries, including the type of business, thresholds, and scope of assessment.
- Review existing and establish new regulation to reduce and avoid increased pollution near sensitive receptors within environmental justice area boundaries.

## MOBILITY



- Participate in inter-jurisdictional efforts to promote improvements in air quality and to meet state and federal mandates through advanced technology and TDM programs.
- Develop and pursue implementation of a Safe Routes to School Plan and a Safe Routes to Parks Plan.

## OPEN SPACE



- Coordinate with public school districts, private schools, and other community organizations to provide community members with access to additional open space and recreational resources.

## CONSERVATION, PUBLIC SERVICES



- Augment existing outreach programs to improve public awareness of State, regional and local agencies' roles and resources to identify, monitor, and address air quality and other environmental hazards in the community.
- Identify City fiscal and operational procedures and potential thresholds involved in the prioritization of general funds for public programming, service, or infrastructure improvements for residents living within environmental justice area boundaries.

## SAFETY, ECONOMIC PROSPERITY, HISTORICAL PRESERVATION



- Work with local and regional partners to understand the prevalence, sources, and implications of lead contamination of soil across Santa Ana.
- Establish a fee reduction or waiver program for low-income applicants to ensure equitable access and participation in the Mills Act Program.
- Encourage existing businesses to invest in technology and best practices to transition to sustainable business practices.



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# ENVIRONMENTAL JUSTICE ACTION COMMITTEE APPLICATION

Santa Ana residents are invited to apply to be part of the Environmental Justice Action Committee. The purpose of the committee is to collaborate on the implementation of the General Plan Environmental Justice (EJ) policies and actions. If you are interested in being part of this committee complete this form.

**NAME:** \_\_\_\_\_

**ADDRESS:** \_\_\_\_\_

**PHONE NUMBER:** \_\_\_\_\_ **AGE RANGE:** 16-18, 19-25, 26-34, 35-45, 46-59, 60+

**EMAIL:** \_\_\_\_\_

**NEIGHBORHOOD:** \_\_\_\_\_

**OCCUPATION:** \_\_\_\_\_

**EDUCATIONAL ATTAINMENT:** \_\_\_\_\_

## ANSWER QUESTIONS 1-6

1) Which EJ cluster do you live in? (*EJ Cluster Map is located on info sheet.*)

☐ Southwest Cluster

2) How many years have you been living in Santa Ana? What community involvement have you had in the City?


3) What is your most recent experience and/or active participation with the General plan and EJ issues?


SCAN QR CODE TO VIEW THE CITY'S ENVIRONMENTAL JUSTICE ACTION COMMITTEE WEBSITE



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4) Environmental Justice policies are referenced in the General Plan. Based on your experience, **select your top three** General Plan Elements from the Environmental Justice Implementation Actions that the EJ Committee should prioritize for 2026.

- ☐ Community Element
- ☐ Conservation Element
- ☐ Land Use Element
- ☐ Mobility Element
- ☐ Open Space Element
- ☐ Historic Preservation Element
- ☐ Safety Element
- ☐ Economic Prosperity Element
- ☐ Public Services Element



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5) If selected to be part of the EJ Action Committee, will you be able to commit to meet regularly (approximately 5 hours per month) for a period of two and a half years ?

Yes      No

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6) Provide up to three recommendations that would help establish an inclusive community engagement process for the EJ Action Committee.

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