

HOJA INFORMATIVA

JUSTICIA AMBIENTAL POLÍTICAS



Como parte de la actualización del Plan de Ontario (TOP) 2050, la Ciudad debe abordar la legislación estatal recientemente adoptada, que incluye el Proyecto de Ley del Senado 1000 (SB 1000). SB 1000 se aprobó en 2016 para abordar la distribución inequitativa de la contaminación y los efectos asociados a la salud en las comunidades de bajos ingresos. Requiere que los gobiernos locales identifiquen las comunidades de justicia ambiental en su jurisdicción y aborden la justicia ambiental en sus planes generales.

¿En qué se encuentra la Justicia Ambiental?

En todas nuestras comunidades, algunos soportan una carga desproporcionada de contaminación y riesgos para la salud asociados. La justicia ambiental busca corregir esta inequidad reduciendo la contaminación y aumentando las inversiones públicas en estas comunidades, al tiempo que garantiza que su aporte sea considerado en las decisiones que los afectan.

¿Qué es una Comunidad de Justicia Ambiental?

Una comunidad de justicia ambiental es un área de la Ciudad donde los residentes tienen el mayor riesgo de exposición a la contaminación en el aire, el agua y el suelo. Esta contaminación puede ser causada por el paso de vehículos (automóviles y camiones) o por las actividades diarias de empresas e instituciones. Los residentes en estas áreas también tienden a estar agobiados por problemas socioeconómicos y de salud, como tasas más altas de barreras lingüísticas, pobreza y asma.

Tales áreas también tienden a experimentar tasas más bajas de inversión y mejoras por parte de individuos, empresas privadas y agencias públicas. Todos estos factores pueden conducir a la desigualdad de oportunidades para llevar una vida sana y próspera.

Cambios que estamos haciendo en el Plan General del Plan de Ontario

SB 1000 fue codificado en la Sección 65302 (h) (1) del Código de Gobierno y requiere que un plan general incluya 1) **un elemento de justicia ambiental**, o 2) metas relacionadas, políticas y objetivos **integrados en otros elementos**. TOP 2050 integró 22 políticas de Justicia Ambiental en Uso de la Tierra, Movilidad, Recursos Ambientales, Seguridad, Parques y Recreación, y Elementos de Recursos Sociales. A continuación, se presentan ejemplos de cómo la Ciudad desarrollará metas, políticas y acciones para mejorar las condiciones existentes y futuras para Ontario.

Reducir la exposición a la contaminación. Desarrollar estrategias y apoyar regulaciones que ayuden a reducir la exposición a la contaminación del aire y los materiales peligrosos.

Mejora de las instalaciones públicas. Aumentar el acceso a instalaciones de salud comunitarias, parques, centros comunitarios y otros servicios e instalaciones públicas, particularmente en áreas desatendidas.

Promover la alimentación saludable. Mejorar la salud y el bienestar de todos los residentes a través de políticas, regulaciones y programas que fomentan opciones de alimentos más saludables

Aumento de la actividad física. Establecer nuevas oportunidades para la recreación al aire libre y en interiores como parte de una red integral e integrada de espacios e instalaciones, centrándose en las áreas desatendidas.

Mejorar el compromiso cívico. Aumentar la cantidad y la calidad de la participación de la comunidad a lo largo de la planificación, el desarrollo y la operación de nuestras comunidades y la Ciudad.

Se adjunta un resumen de las políticas de justicia ambiental top 2050 y proporciona la política actual incluida en TOP 2035, adoptada en 2010, y una revisión sugerida de esa política para TOP 2050.

Goal	Policy	Topic	Current Policy	Suggested Revision
LAND USE ELEMENT				
Goal LU1			A Community that has a spectrum of housing types and price ranges.	A Community that has a spectrum of housing types and price ranges that match the jobs in the City and that make it possible for people to live and work in Ontario and maintain a quality of life.
	LU1		Balance	
	LU1-4	EJ	Mobility. We require development and urban design, where appropriate, that reduces reliance on the automobile and capitalizes on multi-modal transportation opportunities. (Refer to Mobility Element Policy M3-3)	Multimodal Mobility. We require development and urban design, where appropriate, that reduces reliance on the automobile and capitalizes on active transportation, transit, electric vehicles, and multi-modal transportation opportunities. (Link to Mobility Element Policies M-2.1, M-3.3; Community Design Element Policies CD-2.6, CD-3.1, CD-3.3, CD3.6) [EJ TOPIC: PHYSICAL ACTIVITY and COMPLETE STREETS ACT]
Goal LU2			Compatibility between a wide range of uses.	Compatibility between a wide range of uses and resultant urban patterns and forms.
	LU2		Compatibility	
	LU2-2	EJ	Buffers. We require new uses to provide mitigation or buffers between existing uses where potential adverse impacts could occur. (Refer to Community Design)	Buffers. We require new uses to provide mitigation or buffers between existing uses where potential adverse impacts could occur. Additional mitigation is required when new uses could negatively impact environmental justice areas. (Link to Community Design Element) [EJ TOPIC: POLLUTION]
	LU2-10	EJ	NEW POLICY proposed to meet requirements of new State laws.	Sensitive Uses. We monitor and share information with the community about stationary and non-stationary emission sources. We encourage siting and design of facilities to minimize health and safety risks on existing and proposed sensitive uses, especially in environmental justice areas. [EJ TOPIC: POLLUTION]
MOBILITY ELEMENT				
Goal M1			A system of roadways that meets the mobility needs of a dynamic and prosperous Ontario.	
	M1		Roadway Systems	
	M1-4	EJ/UD	Complete Streets. We work to provide a balanced context sensitive, multimodal transportation network that meets the needs of all users of streets, roads, and highways, including motorists, pedestrians, bicyclists, children, persons with disabilities, seniors, movers of commercial goods and users of public transportation.	Complete Streets. We work to provide a complete, balanced, context-aware, multimodal transportation network that meets the needs of all users of streets, roads, and highways, including motorists, pedestrians, bicyclists, children, persons with disabilities, seniors, movers of commercial goods, and users of public transportation. We prioritize implementation of complete streets improvements in environmental justice areas to facilitate opportunities for residents to use active transportation systems. [EJ TOPIC: PHYSICAL ACTIVITY]
Goal M3			A public transit system that is a viable alternative to automobile travel and meets the basic transportation needs of transit-dependent.	
	M3		Public Transit	
	M3-1	EJ	Transit Partners. We maintain a proactive working partnership with transit providers to ensure that adequate public transit service is available	Transit Partners. We maintain a proactive working partnership with transit providers to ensure that adequate public transit service is available, cost-efficient, and convenient, particularly for residents in environmental justice areas. [EJ TOPIC: PUBLIC FACILITIES]
	M3-2	EJ	Transit Facilities at New Development. We require new development to provide transit facilities, such as bus shelters, transit bays, and turnouts, as necessary.	Alternative Transit Facilities at New Development. We require new development adjacent to an existing or planned transit stop to contribute to the creation of transit facilities, such as bus shelters, transit bays and turnouts, and bicycle facilities, such as secure storage areas. [EJ TOPIC: PUBLIC FACILITIES]
ENVIRONMENTAL RESOURCE ELEMENT				

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Goal ER1			A reliable and cost-effective system that permits the City to manage its diverse water resources and needs.	
ER1			Water and Wastewater	
	ER1-5	EJ	Groundwater Management. We protect groundwater quality by incorporating strategies that prevent pollution, require remediation where necessary, capture and treat urban runoff, and recharge the aquifer.	Water Resource Management. Environmental justice areas are prioritized as we coordinate with local agencies to protect water quality, prevent pollution, address existing contamination, and remediate contaminated surface water and groundwater. [EJ TOPIC: POLLUTION]
Goal ER4			Improve indoor and outdoor air quality and reduced locally generated pollutant sources.	
ER4			Air Quality	
	ER4-4	EJ	Indoor Air Quality. We will comply with State Green Building Codes relative to indoor air quality.	Indoor Air Quality. We will comply with State Green Building Codes relative to indoor air quality. We seek funding to improve indoor air quality for households with poor indoor air quality, with priority for lower income households in environmental justice areas. [EJ TOPIC: SAFE AND SANITARY HOUSING]
	ER4-7	EJ	Other Agency Collaboration. We collaborate with other agencies within the South Coast Air Basin to improve regional air quality at the emission source.	Other Agency Collaboration. We collaborate with other agencies within the South Coast Air Basin to improve regional air quality at the emission source, with a particular focus on sources that affect environmental justice areas in Ontario. [EJ TOPIC: POLLUTION]
	ER4-8	EJ	Tree Planting. We protect healthy trees within the City and plant new trees to increase carbon sequestration and help the regional/local air quality.	Tree Planting. We protect healthy trees within the City and plant new trees to increase carbon sequestration and help the regional/local air quality. We expand the tree canopy in environmental justice areas to enhance air quality and reduce the "heat island" effect. [EJ TOPIC: POLLUTION]
	ER4-9	EJ	NEW POLICY proposed to meet requirements of new State laws.	New Localized Air Pollution Sources Near Existing Sensitive Receptors. We require new development to conduct a Health Risk Assessment for land uses that generate more than 100 trucks per day or 40 trucks per day by trucks operating transportation refrigeration units (TRU's) within 1,000 feet from sensitive land uses (California Health and Safety Code § 42705.5(a)(5)). If the health risk assessment determines the new development poses health hazards that increase the incremental cancer risk above the threshold established by the South Coast Air Quality Management District (AQMD), we will only approve permits upon the condition that adequate mitigation measures are proposed and implemented for potential impacts on the sensitive uses around the site and along the route within Ontario taken by the trucks to and from freeways. We require new developments that must perform a health risk assessment to conduct additional public outreach by sending notifications in multiple languages to all residents living within 500 feet, and encourage hosting a public meeting. [EJ TOPIC: POLLUTION]
SAFETY ELEMENT				
Goal S1			Minimize risk of injury, loss of life, property damage, and economic and social disruption caused by earthquake-induced or other geological hazards.	
S1			Seismic/Geologic Hazards	
	S1-4	EJ	Seismically Vulnerable Structures. We conform to state law regarding unreinforced masonry structures.	Seismically Vulnerable Structures. We conform to state law regarding unreinforced masonry structures and coordinate with not-for-profits to facilitate seismic retrofits in environmental justice areas and for low-income households. [EJ TOPIC: SAFE & SANITARY HOUSING]
Goal S6			Reduce the potential for hazardous materials exposure and contamination.	

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S6			Hazardous Materials	
	S6-3	EJ	Safer Alternatives. We minimize our use of hazardous materials by choosing non-toxic alternatives that do not pose a threat to the environment.	Safer Alternatives. We minimize our use of pesticides and other hazardous materials by choosing non-toxic alternatives that do not pose a threat to the environment, especially when it could affect public park facilities and open spaces. [EJ TOPIC: POLLUTION]
	S6-5	EJ	Location of Hazardous Material Facilities. We regulate facilities that will be involved in the production, use, storage, or disposal of hazardous materials, pursuant to federal, state, county, and local regulations so that impacts to the environment and sensitive land uses are mitigated.	Location of Hazardous Material Facilities. We regulate facilities that will be involved in the production, use, storage, or disposal of hazardous materials, pursuant to federal, state, county, and local regulations, so that impacts to the environment and sensitive land uses are mitigated. We prohibit new hazardous waste facilities in close proximity to sensitive land uses and environmental justice areas. [EJ TOPIC: POLLUTION]
PARKS & RECREATION ELEMENT				
Goal PR1			A system of safe and accessible parks that meets the needs of the community.	
PR1			Planning & Design	
	PR1-1	EJ	Access to Parks. We strive to provide a park and/or recreational facility within walking distance (¼ mile) of every residence.	Access to Parks. In all new residential development areas, we strive to provide a park and/or recreational facility within walking distance (¼ mile) of every residence and prioritize the establishment of parks in environmental justice areas that do not have adequate access to parks. [EJ TOPIC: PHYSICAL ACTIVITY]
Goal PR2			A range of recreational programs provided by public, private, and nonprofit organizations that meet the needs of the community's varied interests, age groups, and abilities	
PR2			Recreational Programs	
	PR2-4	EJ	Access to Programs. We provide a range of program opportunities for residents of all income levels.	Access to Programs. We provide a range of recreational and physical exercise programs that are accessible to residents of all income levels throughout the community and prioritize establishing and maintaining equitable access for residents in environmental justice areas. [EJ TOPIC: PHYSICAL ACTIVITY]
SOCIAL RESOURCES ELEMENT				
Goal SR1			A community where residents have access to information, services, and goods that improve their health and wellbeing.	
SR1			Health	
	SR1-2	EJ		Nutrition Choices. We support the promotion of equitable access to affordable healthy food choices in the community, including community gardens, farmers markets, and cooking classes. [EJ TOPIC: HEALTHY FOOD]
	SR1-3	EJ	Healthy Education. We promote health education, including disease prevention, mental health, nutrition, and physical fitness	Health Education. We promote equitable access to health education, including disease prevention, mental health, nutrition and physical fitness. [EJ TOPIC: PUBLIC FACILITIES]
	SR1-4	EJ	Physical Activity. We encourage activities and community design that improves the physical fitness of our community members.	Physical Activity. We encourage activities and community design that improve the physical fitness of our community members, with an emphasis on the provision of activities and facilities in environmental justice areas. [EJ TOPIC: PHYSICAL ACTIVITY]
Goal SR2			A range of educational and training opportunities for residents and workers of all ages and abilities that improves their life choices and provides a skilled workforce for our businesses.	
SR2			Education	

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	SR2-6	EJ	New policy to address civic engagement	Language. We promote broad outreach in languages used by the community for proposed projects that could negatively affect environmental justice areas. [EJ TOPIC: CIVIC ENGAGEMENT]
	SR2-7	EJ	New policy to address civic engagement	Community Engagement. We promote targeted outreach and education to historically underrepresented groups to encourage meaningful participation in decision-making process for projects whose outcomes will affect land use in environmental justice areas. [EJ TOPIC: CIVIC ENGAGEMENT]
Goal SR5	Local heritage, entertainment, and cultural experiences that enrich the lives of Ontario's residents, workers, and visitors and serve to attract residents and businesses to the City.			
	SR5	Entertainment and Culture		
	SR5-1	EJ	Provisions of Entertainment and Culture. We support a range of entertainment and cultural experiences, such as public art, exhibitions, and performances.	Provision of Entertainment and Culture. We support equitable access to a range of entertainment and cultural experiences such as public art, exhibitions and performances. [EJ TOPIC: PUBLIC FACILITIES]