

EJLW Meeting #7

Meeting Date: April 19th, 2021, 6-8PM.

Objectives:

1. Social time
2. Review Oakland Plan
3. Further develop climate action or other implementation strategies (all social justice oriented) and focus areas

Pre-Meeting Materials:

1. Read pages 1-21 of [Oakland's Equitable Action Plan](#) (30 minutes)
2. Skim one additional Action section: (10 minutes)
 - a. Transportation + Land Use
 - b. Buildings
 - c. Material Consumption + Waste
 - d. Adaptation
 - e. Carbon Removal
 - f. City Leadership
 - g. Port of Oakland
3. Reflect on at least 2 of the following questions
 - a. What did you like/not?
 - b. What is one+ action you read from Oakland's Plan that you are excited about and want to see in Tacoma?
 - c. How did Oakland incorporate equity, as a value, into its actions?
 - d. How did Oakland design their Plan to be people-centered?
 - e. How did Oakland make their Plan about more than climate and serve social justice and other goals and needs?
 - f. What are the non-climate concerns they raise and seek to address?
4. Add your reflection notes to the Miro frame (20 minutes) next to your name. They can be simple bullet points or full sentences - whatever works for you to share your initial thoughts. We will discuss these questions further in break out groups during Meeting #7 (April 19th).

Meeting #7 Notes:

- **Attendance:** Aarin, Tera, Monica, Alexia, Michelle, Dylan, Ashley, Patricia, Milly & Juan (interpreter)
 - Staff: Raeshawna Ware, Emma Keese, Kristin Lynett, Kyla Wilson
 - Absent: None
- **Opening poll:** What are you planning to do for Earth Day/Month?, What are some favorite good weather activities you're looking forward to? AND We plan to send occasional text communications about

upcoming meetings, homework etc. Would you be comfortable being in a group chat with Emma and the other EJ leaders for these group wide messages?

- **Land acknowledgement:** Led by EJLW member Danelle Reed
- **Small group breakout:** Small groups share about themselves using these guiding questions: Why did you join EJLW? What neighborhood do you live in? What's something cool you're working/volunteering on now? What do you enjoy about it? Then reflect on how we define environmental justice and what that looks like in Tacoma. Beginning with the Environmental Justice Task Force definition: "The fair treatment and meaningful involvement of all people regardless of race, color, national origin or income with respect to the development, implementation, and enforcement of environmental laws, regulations and policies. This includes using an intersectional lens to address disproportionate environmental and health impacts by prioritizing highly impacted populations, equitably distributing resources and benefits, and eliminating harm." What do you like about this definition? Is something missing? What does environmental justice look like in Tacoma?
- **Homework breakout:** Three small break out rooms build on the homework EJLW members did reviewing and taking notes on [Oakland's 2030 Equitable Climate Action Plan](#). Each tOK three minutes to share their thoughts on the homework and the following question(s): "How did Oakland make their Plan about more than climate? Serve social justice and other goals and needs? What are the non-climate concerns they raise and seek to address?" and if time: "what would you add, subtract, or adjust for Tacoma's Plan? Write it down! We will then return for a short share out and then move back into the breakout rooms to review and make changes to draft values." EJ Leaders were on their own with staff popping in occasionally or if asked to provide support. EJ Leaders returned to the main room and shared their discussion.
- **Principles review breakout:** EJ Leaders reviewed the draft priorities and action areas, leaving notes and suggestions and considering the following questions:
 - What do you think about the values we put together? How would you change/add to them?
 - If time: How can we use these values to prioritize actions and design implementation steps? Do we need to adjust them more? Write it down!
- **Closing:** Reflections on the day and high level review of upcoming month's goals

Additional Resources from Meeting #7 Discussion:

- Find vaccine appointment: <https://www.doh.wa.gov/Emergencies/COVID19/VaccineInformation/HowToGettheVaccine>
- Peace Community Center: <https://linktr.ee/peacecommunitycenter>
- *How racism kept black Tacomans from buying houses for decades* article: <https://www.google.com/amp/s/amp.thenewstribune.com/news/business/real-estate-news/article216269965.html>