

# Equity Resources for California Adaptation Practitioners

## Overall Purpose

This crowdsourced document is intended to serve as a resource for California adaptation practitioners to further their understanding of how equity principles and practices can be applied and operationalized in their work.

## Origination

On August 24, 2020, the [California Adaptation Forum \(CAF\)](#) and the [Alliance of Regional Collaboratives for Climate Adaptation \(ARCCA\)](#) jointly hosted the [Realities of the Triple Pandemic: Racialized Violence, COVID-19 and Climate Change](#) webinar on August 24, 2020. Webinar panelists expressed interest in creating a crowdsourced document for participants to share equity-related resources with one another. Resources shared by panelists and participants during the webinar have been added to this document.

## Adding Resources

Document permissions have been set to “comment only” in order to help organizers track new additions, ensure resources align with the overall purpose, and to minimize unintended changes. We welcome all to join us in this crowdsourced effort by adding relevant resources to the end of the existing list in the following format:

**Name of Resource (linked)**

Brief description

As this document grows, organizers may introduce categories in order to help users navigate resources.

### [Racial Equity Impact Assessment & Implementation Guide](#)

This Assessment and Guide is the work of the Equity Facilitator team, led by Environmental / Justice Solutions, and 1 provides a comprehensive set of recommendations and best practices to help City of Oakland staff maximize equity throughout the 2030 Equitable Climate Action Plan's 10-year implementation period.

### [Anchors in Resilient Communities](#)

Anchors in Resilient Communities (ARC) are community-based partnerships that leverage the purchasing and investment power of anchor institutions to bolster the communities they serve. The mission of Anchors in Resilient Communities is to address the social, economic, and environmental determinants of health by leveraging the assets and capacities of Bay Area anchor institutions and community-based partners. This work will focus on expanding community wealth and ownership, improving health outcomes, and strengthening the capacity of communities of color and low- and moderate-income residents to be resilient in the face of climate and economic disruption.

### [\*\*Pathways from a Low-Road, Extractive Economy to a High-Road – Sustainable and Just Economy\*\*](#)

This infographic developed by Emerald Cities Collaborative (ECC) is a visual depiction of our high-road vision of achieving a green, sustainable and just economy in equitable and democratically-accountable ways. This resource shows the relationship of that vision to ECC's three main areas of endeavor: Environment, Economy and Equity.

### [\*\*Energy Democracy Scorecard\*\*](#)

Low-income people of color are at the “frontlines” of experiencing the impacts of climate change and the harms of extracting and processing fossil fuels. Extractive economies profit from polluting industries at the expense of the health and financial wellbeing of low-income people of color and at the expense of the environment. Energy Democracy gives voice to a growing movement of frontline communities redefining the “clean energy revolution” to not only address climate change, but also the legacy of economic and social injustices that an extractive economy relies upon.

### [\*\*Movement Generation's Just Transition Zine\*\*](#)

Offered in English and Spanish, MG's Just Transition Zine is a 32-page long training tool that offers a framework for a fair shift to an economy that is ecologically sustainable, equitable and just for all its members. It is full of visuals, stand-alone sections, and curriculum ideas.

### [\*\*Indigenous Environmental Network's Indigenous Principles of Just Transition\*\*](#)

The Indigenous Environmental Network compiled a set of Indigenous-based principles of what Just Transition means to Indigenous peoples in North America-Turtle Island. This set of principles is only a guide for Indigenous peoples – American Indian, Alaska Natives and the Canadian First Nations, and other Indigenous Peoples of the four-directions of Mother Earth – to use, if you chose to rebuild your Nation and community.

### [\*\*CARB Environmental Justice Blog\*\*](#)

A compilation of stories to uplift voices and empower communities, launched by the California Air Resources Board Environmental Justice Unit.

### [\*\*Oakland 2030 Equitable Climate Action Plan \(ECAP\)\*\*](#)

The 2030 ECAP will establish actions that the City and its partners will take by 2030 to equitably reduce Oakland's climate emissions and adapt to a changing climate.

### [\*\*The Building Electrification Equity Project Report\*\*](#)

The Building Electrification Equity (The BEE) Project, initiated by Emerald Cities Collaborative, was a 6-month organizing and planning process to engage and inform the environmental and climate justice community on the building electrification movement, and to ensure equity issues and strategies are incorporated in state and local policies. This report summarizes the results of a series of webinars, and an in-person convening of environmental justice and energy democracy advocates and practitioners.

### [\*\*SB 1000 Toolkit: Planning for Healthy Communities\*\*](#)

The SB 1000 Implementation Toolkit, prepared collaboratively by CEJA and PlaceWorks Inc., is a guidance document intended for local governments, planners, community-based organizations, and other stakeholders who will be working to develop an Environmental Justice Element or a set of environmental justice policies for their General Plans to meet the requirements of SB 1000.

