# County of Alameda Legislative Platform



2023-2024















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#### **INTRODUCTION**

Alameda County is characterized by rich geography, diversity, and culture. The County provides a range of services to residents. The Board of Supervisors' adoption of this two-year Legislative Platform supports the vision that Alameda County is recognized as one of the best counties in which to live, work, and do business.

The County provides for the basic needs of the most vulnerable populations and is responsible for health and human services for the entire County, including social safety net programs. The United States Congress and the State Legislature craft legislation regarding the County's mandated services and provide over 60% of the County's General Fund revenue, including Medicaid and Medicare charges for services. The County also provides municipal services such as police and road repair in the Unincorporated Area. To best serve the diverse needs of County residents, Alameda County needs dependable and equitable revenue streams and local control to provide flexibility in delivering services.

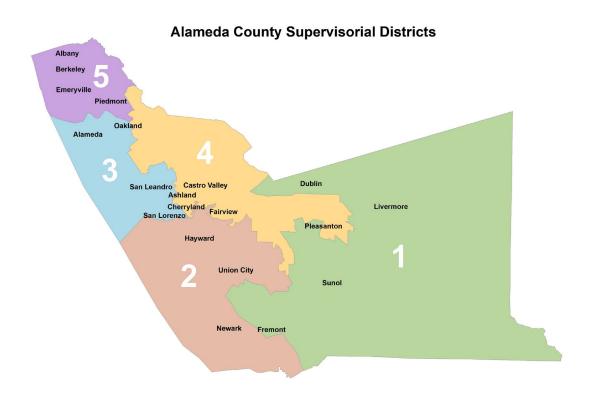
Vision 2026 is Alameda County's comprehensive effort to set a course for a decade that anticipates community challenges and maximizes the County's ability to meet residents' needs in a rapidly changing world. Vision 2026 provides a roadmap to look at demographic trends that will impact Alameda County residents and informs how the County should deliver services. Vision 2026 includes 10X goals for the County in the following areas:

- Employment for All
- Eliminate Homelessness
- Eliminate Poverty and Hunger
- Crime Free County
- Healthcare for All
- Accessible Infrastructure

Vision 2026 is the foundation for County actions and this Legislative Platform, including an emphasis on addressing homelessness, combating climate change, ensuring an accurate Census count, and protecting individuals regardless of immigration status.

## **COUNTY OVERVIEW**

Alameda County was established in 1853. The County's almost 821 square miles encompass a varied geography ranging from bay wetlands to rolling open spaces to hillside lakes and streams. Alameda County is the seventh most populous county in California, with a dense urban corridor and suburban and rural communities. The County has 14 incorporated cities and several unincorporated communities.



Alameda County is governed by a five-member Board of Supervisors elected by popular vote. Countywide elected officials include the Auditor-Controller/Clerk-Recorder, Assessor, Treasurer-Tax Collector, District Attorney, and Sheriff/Coroner. The Board of Supervisors is responsible for providing policy direction, approving the County budget, and representing the County in a number of areas including its dependent special districts. The County Administrator advises, assists, and acts as an agent for the Board of Supervisors in all matters under the Board's jurisdiction.

#### **Alameda County Board of Supervisors**

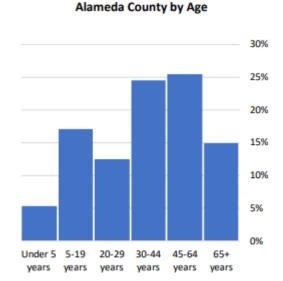
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#### **POPULATION**

Alameda County is the seventh most populous county in California, with 14 incorporated cities and several unincorporated communities.

The total population is estimated to be 1,651,979 as of January 2022, a 0.6 percent decrease from 2021. Oakland is the seat of County government and the largest city.

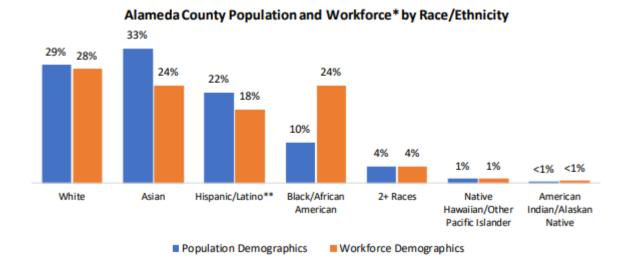
Approximately 15 percent of the County's population is age 65 or older. This population is projected to increase to 21.1 percent by 2032 based on data from the California Department of Finance.



Source: U.S. Census Bureau, Population Estimates Program, July 1, 2021

Alameda County is characterized by rich ethnic and cultural diversity. Population decline has occurred with the high rate of domestic migration to other states, decrease international immigration, and a lower natural net level of births over deaths than in previous years. Based on the 2019 American Community Survey, 32.4 percent of the population is foreign born and there is no majority racial or ethnic group. According to the California Department of Education, 64 languages were spoken by English language learners in the K-12 public school systems in Alameda County in 2021-2022.

The County's workforce continues to reflect the rich diversity of the communities served.

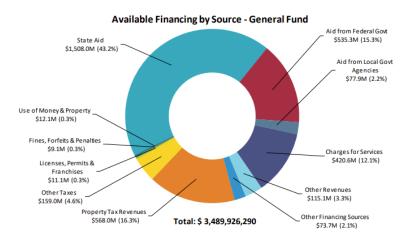


- 2021 Workforce data does not include retired annuitants, services as needed employees, Temporary Assignment Pool positions, or the Alameda County Fire Department.
- \*\* Those identifying of Hispanic/Latino origin may be of any race and so are also included in the applicable race categories.

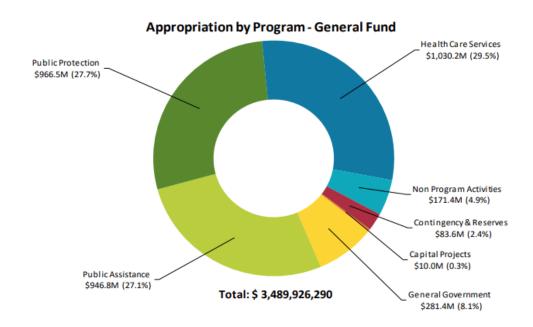
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#### **COUNTY BUDGET**

The Board of Supervisors adopts a balanced budget by June 30<sup>th</sup> annually and begins the new fiscal year on July 1<sup>st</sup>. The FY 2022-2023 Final Budget includes appropriations of over \$3.8 billion. The Budget is divided into four program areas: Public Assistance, Health Care Services, Public Protection, and General Government. The County budget is financed by revenues from State, federal, and local governments; revenues from property and other taxes; charges for services; fines, forfeitures, and penalties; and other revenues. For FY 2023-24, it is estimated that the County will receive about 43% of General Fund revenue from State and federal sources, including Medicaid and Medicare charges for services.



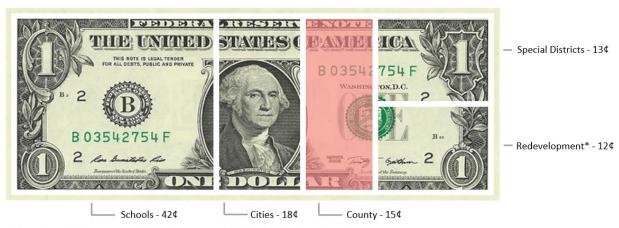
The majority of County appropriations are dedicated to providing essential services to residents. Together, Health Care Services, Public Assistance, and Public Protection account for over 87% of total County General Fund appropriations.



Only 27 percent of General Fund revenue is discretionary revenue that the Board of Supervisors has the authority to allocate to meet County needs. Most of this discretionary revenue is used to fund the County's mandated share of costs for programs that receive federal and State funding.

About 61 percent of Alameda County's discretionary revenue comes from property taxes, although the County receives only about 15 percent of the property tax collected.

Distribution of a Property Tax Dollar



<sup>\*</sup>Over time, redevelopment agencies' share of property taxes should be distributed to other entities.

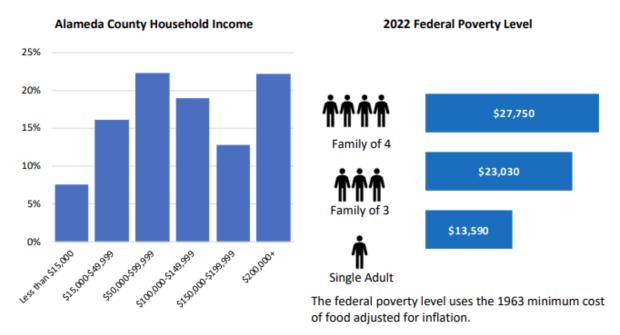
This discretionary revenue funds many of the essential services for County residents, including social safety net programs, which are increasingly important given the rising cost of living in the County.

#### **COST OF LIVING**

According to the U.S. Census Bureau, Alameda County's median annual household income in 2019 was \$108,322 with an average household size of 2.8 persons. Approximately nine percent of Alameda County's population is living below the federal poverty level.

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, 2019 American Community Survey 1-Year Estimates

According to the Massachusetts Institute of Technology's Living Wage Calculator, an adult with two children in Alameda County would need to earn \$82,942 annually (\$62.38/hour) to cover costs for housing, food, healthcare, transportation, child care, and taxes. This is equivalent to more than three full-time jobs at the California minimum wage of \$12/hour and almost \$60,000 higher than the federal poverty level for a family of three. Additionally, research from the California Budget and Policy Center finds that on average, a single mother in Alameda County would have to spend over 60% of her income to afford center-based child care for two children.



Source: U.S. Census Bureau, 2019 American Community Survey 1-Year Estimates

#### SAFETY NET PROGRAMS

Alameda County, along with its community-based partners, is the safety net for County residents. A partial list of services provided by the County that are dependent on State funding or funds passed-through from the federal government include California Work Opportunity and

Responsibility to Kids (CalWORKs) and Temporary Assistance to Needy Families (TANF), CalFresh and the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP), Medi-Cal, In-Home Supportive Services, Supplemental Security Income (SSI) and State Suppementary Payment (SSP), mental health services, meals to seniors and people with disabilities, subsidized child care, subsidized housing, homelessness programs, and employment services. According to the latest California Poverty Measure, a comprehensive poverty measure that accounts for the regional cost of living and California-specific safety net programs, 14.5% of Alameda County residents lived in poverty.

A recent California Poverty Measure report also found that social safety net programs helped keep almost three million California residents out of deep poverty and moderated the impact of poverty, especially for children. During times of economic hardships, many people rely on safety net services; however, even in times of economic expansion, safety net programs are critical to helping residents meet basic needs given the high cost of living in Alameda County.

1 in 4









County residents receives direct assistance from the County of Alameda

During the Great Recession, State funding for core health and human services programs was reduced dramatically (cutting over \$15 billion between 2008 and 2013). There have been some restorations over the past few years but many core public services remain underfunded following years of deep cuts.

#### COVID-19

March 11, 2023 will mark the three year anniversary of the World Health Organization's declaration of the COVID-19 global pandemic. While the aftermath of the health, social, and economic impacts will take years to fully realize, the State of California, including Alameda County, have benefitted from increased vaccination rates and the parallel economic and social benefits. While there are positive signs that the pandemic has entered the recovery phase, Alameda County remains vigilant in responding to and planning for the inherent ongoing demands for safety net services and the associated budget impacts for FY 2023 and beyond, given the disproportionate impact of COVID-19 on our most vulnerable residents.

#### RISING COST OF HOUSING

Alameda County's median home value was \$1,150,000 as of June 2022, up 4.3% from the prior year.

The U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) reports the Fair Market Rent (FMR) of a two-bedroom in the Oakland-Fremont HUD Metro Area as \$2,405 per month for FY 2023, up from \$2,274 in FY 2022, and increase of 5.7%.

#### **UNHOUSED**

The continued rising cost of housing affordability is a contributor to the homelessness crisis in the State of California, including Alameda County. On February 22, 2022, Alameda County conducted the 2022 Homeless Point-In-Time County and Survey. The Homeless Response System relies on this biennial count and survey of those experiencing homelessness to gain a better understanding of the prevalence of and circumstances surrounding homelessness in Alameda and its cities. The data is foundational to investing in housing and programs to the scale necessary to reduce homelessness and evaluating the impact of housing efforts to date.

The 2022 Alameda County Point-in-Time Count showed a 22% increase in homelessness since 2019, with 9,747 individuals experiencing homelessness during a single 24-hour period.

Alameda County continues to invest in anti-homeless strategies, including the 2016 voter-approved Measure A1 General Obligation Bond, with the goal of crating and preserving 3,800 units of affordable housing rental and ownership housing throughout Alameda County.

#### 2020 CENSUS

After years of steady population growth in California, the 2020 Census showed a decline in population, which persisted in 2021 and 2022. The decline is largely linked to domestic migration to states with lower housing costs and cost of living, decreased international immigration, and a lower natural net level of births over deaths.

The population decline lead to California's first loss of a House of Representative seat.

#### **CLIMATE CHANGE**

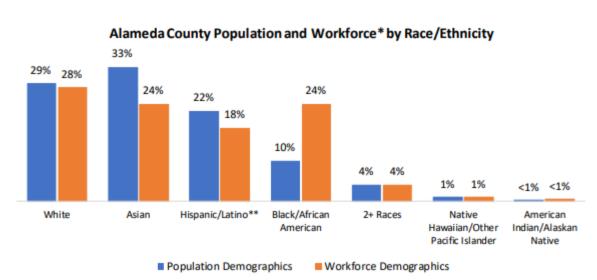
Climate change disproportionately harms economically vulnerable communities and individuals. Climate change is already impacting the County's residents today with increased droughts, fires, floods, and public health issues such as heat waves and wildfire smoke.

In the past few years, our community has faced heat waves, wildfires, unhealthy air quality from wildfire smoke, and power shut-offs related to increased fire risk – sometimes at the same time. Counties are on the front lines of responding to impacts of global climate change and it is critical to ensure that State and federal resources and policies support the County's ability to respond immediately and plan for the future. At the same time, shifting to a clean energy economy provides opportunities for job growth and helps ensure a healthy environment for Alameda County residents. The Board of Supervisors actively supports equitable polices to secure resources to combat and prepare our communities for climate

change impacts and to accelerate and intensify the actions and investments needed for a sustainable low carbon future.

#### RACE AND EQUITY

The County supports policies and practices that promote equitable outcomes for communities marginalized by historically-rooted systems of neglect and oppression so that all people can thrive. Policies and practices should promote equity, and work to eliminate disparities based on race, ethnicity, sovereignty, national origin, immigration status, gender, sexual orientation, gender identity, age, disability status, and socioeconomic status. The County supports policies that address all forms of systemic oppression, particularly institutional and structural racism, which have played a central role historically and currently in creating and perpetuating persistent social and health inequities. The County supports programs, policies, and funding to address community reparations for African Americans. Policies and programs should include strategies to identify and address existing disparities including collecting disaggregated data and utilizing equity metrics to measure outcomes; promoting community participation in shaping solutions that most impact them; targeting interventions to address root causes of disparate outcomes; and a process of continuous quality improvement to achieve equity.



Vision 2026 10X Goal: Employment for All

#### **REVENUE**

The County supports funding flexibility, including the ability to use new funds to backfill lost revenue, allowing the County to address unique issues in our communities. The County supports efforts to ensure funding opportunities address persistent economic and social inequity.

The County supports uniform, fair and equitable tax policies that reduce economic burdens for vulnerable populations.

#### **GUIDING PRINCIPLES**

The Vision, Mission, Values and Vision 2026 grew from extensive collaboration involving Alameda County leaders and other local officials to address County trends and promote communities that are vibrant, prosperous, safe, healthy, and inclusive. These shared visions can be achieved through the six 10X Goals.

#### VISION

Alameda County is recognized as one of the best counties in which to live, work, and do business.

#### **MISSION**

To enrich the lives of Alameda County residents through visionary policies and accessible, responsible, and effective services.

#### **VALUES**

- Integrity, honesty, and respect fostering mutual trust.
- Transparency and accountability achieved through open communications and involvement of diverse community voices.
- Fiscal stewardship reflecting the responsible management of resources.
- Customer service built on commitment, accessibility, and responsiveness.
- Excellence in performance based on strong leadership, teamwork, and a willingness to take risks.
- Diversity recognizing the unique qualities of every individual and his or her perspective.
- Environmental stewardship to preserve, protect, and restore our natural resources.
- Social responsibility promoting self-sufficiency, economic independence, and an interdependent system of care and support.
- Compassion ensuring all people are treated with respect, dignity, and fairness.

#### **VISION 2026**

#### **OUR SHARED VISION**



#### **Thriving & Resilient Population**

Individuals and communities are empowered to overcome adversities and supported so they can grow, flourish, and be self-sufficient.



#### **Healthy Environment**

Comprehensive utilization of environmentally sustainable practices that conserve natural resources while reducing pollution and harm to the environment.



#### Safe & Livable Communities

Safe and secure communities with accessible infrastructure including open space and recreational facilities and facilitates the availability of diverse and affordable housing.



#### **Prosperous & Vibrant Economy**

Emergence, robust growth, and profitability of all businesses across a diversity of sectors that also create employment opportunities for all residents.

#### **10X GOALS**

- Employment for All: Deliver services through highly skilled, agile, and responsive County employees and pursue policies and programs that support full employment of the hard to employ throughout the County.
- Eliminate Homelessness: Pursue policies and programs that ensure the availability of diverse and affordable housing for all residents with the goal of eliminating homelessness in Alameda County.
- Eliminate Poverty and Hunger: Pursue policies and programs that ensure all residents' basic needs are met including eliminating poverty and hunger, while building resiliency and selfsufficiency among vulnerable populations.
- Crime Free County: Implement robust criminal justice strategies that lead to a crime free county through responsive and innovative community engagement while providing effective support for victims and reentry populations.
- **Healthcare for All:** Pursue policies and programs that ensure healthcare for all with a focus on providing preventive and supportive services to vulnerable populations.
- Accessible Infrastructure: Implement smart, accessible, and adaptive public infrastructure that enable the deployment of future technologies while optimizing the returns on investments of existing infrastructure.

#### **OPERATING PRINCIPLES**

Alameda County's Vision 2026 Operating Principles are the foundational tools necessary to achieve our shared vision for Alameda County.

- Access
- Collaboration
- > Equity

- Fiscal Stewardship
- Innovation
- Sustainability



For more information on Vision 2026, visit: http://vision2026.acgov.org.

## LEGISLATIVE ISSUE MATRIX

The following matrix sets out Alameda County's priority issues in the Vision 2026 framework of Shared Visions, 10X Goals, and Operating Principles.

Issue	Summary/Action Item	State/Federal
Revenue Adequacy and Stability	Support dependable, predictable, sustainable, and equitable revenue streams and allocation methodologies.	State/Federal
	Ensure that new and existing programs include funding to sufficiently support caseload growth and other administrative costs and costs are a net neutral to the County.	
	Oppose transfers of responsibilities to counties without adequate funding and efforts to eliminate or redirect revenues currently dedicated to local government.	
Local Governance	Maintain adequate authority, local discretionary control, and flexibility to meet the County's dual role as agent of the State and as a local service provider.	State/Federal
	Maintain ability to set State and local standards that exceed federal standards (e.g. fuel economy standards, clean air and water, greenhouse gas, human rights).	
	Support efforts that enhance funding flexibility, incorporate the increased costs and needs for mandated programs, and allow for additional revenue raising authority for counties.	
	Support efforts that provide the County with flexibility in negotiating pension benefits that maintain fiscal stability for the County.	
Immigration	Support policies that minimize the harmful local impacts of federal immigration policy including the protection of clients' information, the ability to report crimes without fear of retribution, and safe access to public places and processes regardless of race, gender, gender identity, or national origin.	State/Federal
	Support Comprehensive Immigration Reform that provides a clear pathway to citizenship that encourages family reunification and opportunities for workers and employers.	
	Oppose efforts to restrict immigrant access to all necessary services and benefits, specifically opposing the expansion of the definition of "public charge" and family detentions.	

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Census/Data Gathering	Secure adequate funding to ensure a complete and accurate count of all Alameda County residents, especially hard-to-count populations, such as unhoused or undocumented people, including survivors of gender-based violence, to ensure equitable federal and State funding for Alameda County.	State/Federal
	Support increased data privacy protections necessary for the utilization of the new digital Census platform, especially considering the privacy concerns of vulnerable residents, such as survivors of gender-based violence, abuse, and other crimes; people with sensitive medical information; and those who may face political or religious discrimination.	
	Oppose the inclusion of a citizenship question or other questions on the Census questionnaire that may discourage full participation.	
Regulatory Stability	Protect existing laws and protections from being dismantled or not implemented (e.g. clean air and water, Endangered Species Act, human rights, healthcare, safety net programs, and supportive services).	State/Federal
	Eliminate and oppose imposition of undue burdens on existing rights and privileges.	
County Workforce Training	To serve Alameda County residents to the best of our ability, County employees must have ample opportunity to receive the latest workforce training and education.	State/Federal
	Support workforce training and education on Sexual Orientation and Gender Identity Expression (SOGIE) and gender-based violence prevention for county employees.	
	New State and federal policies/procedures should include reasonable timelines for implementation and funding for training.	

## 10X GOAL: EMPLOYMENT FOR ALL

**Employment for All:** Deliver services through highly skilled, agile, and responsive County employees and pursue policies and programs that support full employment of the hard to employ throughout the County.

Issue	Summary/Action Item	State/Federal	
	Expand Opportunity	,	
Inclusive Employment Opportunities	Support employment opportunities, such as Competitive Integrated Employment, and reduce barriers for vulnerable populations including people with low incomes, people with disabilities, veterans, older adults, at-risk and foster youth, English Language Learners, individuals regardless of immigration status, and justice involved individuals.  Support employment programs and infrastructure investments that promote access to, and retention of jobs with fair and sustainable	State/Federal	
	wages, predictable hours, paid sick and family leave, health and safety protections, and career pathways.  Address racial, gender, cultural, and economic disparities, and labor violations such as wage theft and harassment in employment outcomes.		
Entrepreneurial Training & Investment	Invest in entrepreneurial training and opportunities to launch new and support existing businesses with a focus on providing support to businesses impacted by the economic impacts of COVID-19.	State	
Worker Health and Safety	Support policies and funding that promote worker health, safety, and wellbeing, including: paid sick and family leave, meaningful regulations of dangerous chemicals and toxins, , access to personal protective equipment, education on safety procedures, and enforcement of statewide and federal worker health, safety, and fair labor laws and standards.	State/Federal	
Universal Access to Online Resources	Expand support for remote workforce, virtual health and educational services, and virtual civic engagement, such as through policies and funding to expand broadband to underserved communities and provide computer equipment lending, training, and educational support.	State/Federal	
	Prepare for the Future		
Educational Attainment	Invest in, and ensure access to, quality education for the 21st century workforce including: early care and education, STEAM (Science, Technology, Engineering, Art, and Mathematics) programs, high school that prepares graduates for college and career, Career	State/Federal	
	Technical Education adult education programs, certificate programs,		

pre-apprenticeship and apprenticeship programs, and affordable post-secondary education.	
Ensure education equity so that educational obtainment is available to all, especially vulnerable populations such as low-wage workers, justice involved individuals, CalWORKs recipients, individuals with disabilities, English Language Learners, immigrant/refugee communities, older adults, foster youth, and veterans.	
Close the digital divide and increase access to virtual connection and learning opportunities.	
Support and expand inclusive programs that preserve Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act (WIOA) funding and other programs that increase the number of qualified workers in growing regional sectors of the local economy, such as: healthcare (including caregiving and direct support services), technology, clean energy, logistics, and food service.	State/Federal
Support funding to increase public sector workforce in areas of high need such as public health and behavioral health.	
Support resources and policies that align with the workforce development goals and objectives outlined in the Alameda County Workforce Development Board's (ACWDB) Regional and Local Plan two-year modification, including supporting entrepreneurial endeavors of small local business, families, and communities.	
Support investments in the development and expansion of workforce pipelines and bridging from one career step to another such as paraprofessional to licensed level.	
Recover, restore, and increase investments for affordable, developmentally appropriate, high quality early care and education.	State/Federal
Enhance focus on infant/toddler care, facilities, and workforce supports including health and safety standards, inclusion practice, and mental and behavioral supportive services.	
Support subsidized childcare programs.	
Support workforce programs that offer mental and behavioral supportive services.	
Support research, policies, and incentives that accelerate a transition to a circular economy, shift financial responsibility for the collection and disposal of problem wastes through manufacturer take-back programs, support repair training, and increase innovation of goods	State/Federal
	Ensure education equity so that educational obtainment is available to all, especially vulnerable populations such as low-wage workers, justice involved individuals, CalWORKs recipients, individuals with disabilities, English Language Learners, immigrant/refugee communities, older adults, foster youth, and veterans.  Close the digital divide and increase access to virtual connection and learning opportunities.  Support and expand inclusive programs that preserve Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act (WIOA) funding and other programs that increase the number of qualified workers in growing regional sectors of the local economy, such as: healthcare (including caregiving and direct support services), technology, clean energy, logistics, and food service.  Support funding to increase public sector workforce in areas of high need such as public health and behavioral health.  Support resources and policies that align with the workforce development goals and objectives outlined in the Alameda County Workforce Development Board's (ACWDB) Regional and Local Plan two-year modification, including supporting entrepreneurial endeavors of small local business, families, and communities.  Support investments in the development and expansion of workforce pipelines and bridging from one career step to another such as paraprofessional to licensed level.  Recover, restore, and increase investments for affordable, developmentally appropriate, high quality early care and education.  Enhance focus on infant/toddler care, facilities, and workforce supports including health and safety standards, inclusion practice, and mental and behavioral supportive services.  Support subsidized childcare programs.  Support workforce programs that offer mental and behavioral supportive services.  Support research, policies, and incentives that accelerate a transition to a circular economy, shift financial responsibility for the collection

and materials that minimizes lifecycle embodied carbon emissions.

Support systems changes and investments that promote a circular food economy to improve economic resiliency (generation of local jobs, stimulation of the local economy), human health (production of healthier foods, adoption of Good Food Purchasing Policies), and planetary health (improvement in soil, water, air quality, reduction of food waste through food recovery, and the lowering of greenhouse gas emissions through sustainable farm practices).

## 10X GOAL: ELIMINATE HOMELESSNESS

**Eliminate Homelessness:** Pursue policies and programs that ensure the availability of diverse and affordable housing for all residents with the goal of eliminating homelessness in Alameda County.

Issue	Summary/Action Item	State/Federal
	Affordability	
Affordable Housing	Support efforts to create a permanent source of flexible funding for new and preexisting affordable housing, rental assistance, and operational subsidies to enable localities to respond to current and increased needs including special considerations for vulnerable populations and those disproportionately impacted by homelessness (e.g., Black/African American and LGTBQ+ individuals).  Support efforts to increase access to new and preexisting affordable housing units by incentivizing the adoption of one-stop digital housing application portals (local, regional, or statewide) on State HCD funded projects.	State/Federal
Long-Term Services and Support	Support policies and funding that continue the "Money Follows the Person" model to fund individuals who move from institutionalized settings to the community, which includes developmentally disabled, medically frail and chronically ill, individuals with serious mental illness and/or substance use disorder, people experiencing homelessness, foster youth, and justice involved individuals.	State/Federal
	Availability	
Funding to Prevent and End Homelessness	Increase access to ongoing funding and implementation flexibilities for housing programs/supports and wraparound services for individuals and families experiencing housing insecurity and homelessness, including emergency shelter, rapid re-housing, and permanent supportive housing to quickly move unhoused, housing insecure, at-risk individuals and vulnerable populations into permanent and stable housing and help them remain housed.	State/Federal
Prioritize Equity-Based Approaches	Support polices and funding to address structural drivers of homelessness and its disproportionate impacts on Black/African American and other-communities of color, aligned with pathways to ending homelessness identified by the race equity analysis in the Alameda County Home Together 2026 Plan.	State/Federal
	Support proposals which provide funding to meet the housing and related supportive service needs of transition age youth, older adults, individuals with disabilities, and behavioral health needs and/or substance use disorders.	

Prevent Displacement of Community Residents	Support efforts to preserve and rehabilitate existing housing and preserve housing for vulnerable populations that are at-risk of becoming unhoused—including group living facilities, residential care facilities and skilled nursing facilities.  Reduce resident displacement by protecting against foreclosure and supporting tenants' rights in foreclosed properties.  Support homeowner and tenant protections and rights including preventing unfair eviction for families and individuals that are victims of abuse, financial abuse, or neglect.  Support evictions moratoria and anti-speculation protections, especially during emergencies and crises.  Support anti-discrimination housing policies and efforts, including	State/Federal
	those protecting individuals regardless of immigration status and LGBTQ+ community members, survivors of abuse and gender-based violence.	
Housing as Health	Support "housing first" policies and funding that address and meet the needs of people who are housing insecure, unhoused, or at-risk of becoming unhoused. Support proposals that include housing services as a covered Medi-Cal benefit.	State/Federal
Maintain and Rehabilitate Homes	Support funding and efforts to preserve and rehabilitate existing housing that is safe, healthy, resilient to climate-related impacts (e.g., wildfire, heat, flooding), and energy- and water-efficient with electrified end uses (e.g., heating, cooking), including the proper maintenance and inspection of rental units.	State
Individuals and Families Experiencing Homelessness	Increase funding for supports and services for persons experiencing housing insecurity and homelessness, including emergency shelter, rapid-rehousing, transitional housing, and permanent supportive housing.  Allocate funding through set-asides and targeted programs for	
	emergency and crisis housing for vulnerable populations in immediate need.	
	Land Use	
Urban Density	Incentivize and support policies and regulations that promote smart growth, infill, and dense affordable housing development.	State
Innovative Housing	Develop high-level land use policies to allow innovative and pilot- type projects to alleviate housing insecurity and homelessness.	State
	Ensure housing that is constructed is resilient to climate impacts, and accessible/uses principles of universal design.	

## 10X GOAL: ELIMINATE POVERTY AND HUNGER

**Eliminate Poverty and Hunger:** Pursue policies and programs that ensure all residents' basic needs are met including eliminating poverty and hunger, while building resiliency and self-sufficiency among vulnerable populations.

Issue	Summary/Action Item	State/Federal
	Basic Needs	•
Access to Benefits	Support funding, policies and systems that make it easier for individuals and families to access, apply for, utilize, retain, and recertify for benefits, including CalWORKs/TANF, CalFresh/SNAP, Medi-Cal/Medicaid, SSI/SSP, IHSS, Child Support, Children's Health Insurance Program (CHIP), Cal AIM and other supportive services, including housing and quality childcare. Support initiatives to address inequities in access to prerequisite affordable internet access and technology. Expand benefits for undocumented individuals regardless of immigration status.	State/Federal
	Support programs and initiatives that offer financial support and economic resilience to individuals, regardless of immigration status, for ongoing pandemic response, recovery, and local preparedness programs	
	Support funding for placed-based strategies such as school-linked, faith-based organizations, etc. to increase access to benefits and coordination across systems of care.	
Food/Nutrition Security	Support policies, programs and approaches that ensure and improve, equitable access to, affordable and sufficient culturally appropriate, fresh, nutrient-rich foods for all communities, address food "deserts" in community plans and development, and provide food assistance for all, regardless of immigration status.	State/Federal
	Support policies, programs, and investments that promote nutrition and food security, integrate nutrition and health, improve chronic conditions and increase racial and health equity through the expansion of medically-supportive food and nutrition services (e.g., clinically-integrated "food as medicine" programs and food farmacies, healthy food boxes/groceries, food prescriptions, medically-tailored meals/groceries, nutrition education, and/or behavioral health coaching).	
	Support the adoption medically supportive food and nutrition services as a Medi-Cal benefit.	

	Support policies that provide universal free school meals and providing school meals during summer breaks. Support policies and programs that provide meals to children, older adults, and individuals with disabilities during a disaster emergency. Provide reimbursement rates that reflect current costs per meals.  Support policies and programs that improve and provide nutrition metrics, data collection, and research to inform nutrition and food security and climate policy, particularly on issues of equity, access, and disparities.	
Asset Building	Expand programs and support policies that promote economic stability and wealth building, such as the Earned Income Tax Credit and other tax credit, basic income and stimulus for low-income individuals and families, regardless of immigration status; eliminating the asset limits for public benefits; expanding access to savings programs, credit, and capital; alleviating debt; and protecting savings and assets.	State/Federal
	Increase reputable financial institutions in underserved communities and restrict predatory financial products such as payday lending. Invest in entrepreneur training and expand opportunities to launch new businesses, with special emphasis on opportunities for women, individuals regardless of immigration status, people of color, LGBTQ+ people, and people with disabilities.	
Wages and Income	Support policies that allow individuals and families to earn an income that allows for financial stability, which includes livable wages, efforts to close gender and racial wage disparities, and combatting wage stagnation and compression.	State/Federal
Land Use	Create objective targets to allow all County residents to get basic needs met within their own communities, near transit, services, and jobs.	State
Reduce Energy	Increase funding and technical support for weatherization and	State/Federal
Cost Burden	efficiency improvements for low-income communities and other climate-vulnerable communities.	
	Vulnerable Populations	
In-Home Supportive Services (IHSS)	Support policies and adequate funding for IHSS to ensure recipients can find care that allows them to remain safely in their own homes.  Oppose cost shifts to counties.	State/Federal
	Support policies that promote efficiency in the annual needs assessment process required for the renewal of vital public benefits.	

Child and Family Stability	Support legislation and funding that reduces barriers and enhances services and programs for children and youth who are at-risk or are experiencing or have experienced neglect, abuse, or exploitation—including supports for their parents, families, and caregivers.  Advocate for innovate funding streams to adequately support the well-being of children who were in the foster care system or are at-risk of being in the foster care systems including transition-age youth and Commercially Sexually Exploited Children (CSEC).	State/Federal
	Support funding to successfully implement the Continuum of Care and Families First Reform and Family Resource Approval to fund and support stable placements for children removed from their homes.	
	Expand funding and policies that support permanence for children who have left foster care through reunification, adoption, or guardianship, to help ensure their long-term stability.  Expand policies and funding to ensure that all youth in foster care are placed with relatives whenever possible.	
	Advance policies that remove barriers to youth achieving permanence and exiting from foster care.	
	Support policies that promote independence for transition of foster youth.	
	Support programs and services that promote family reunification and decrease child poverty through the stabilization of household income for both custodial and no-custodial parents.	
	Support policies that protect family reunification.	
Older Adults	Support policies and funding for enhanced coordination of services for older adults, including those with disabilities, to promote independent living, protect against financial and physical abuse, and safeguard against neglect and exploitation, isolation, and discrimination. Support funding and programs that allow older adults and individuals with disabilities to live at home.	State/Federal
Individuals with Disabilities	Support policies, funding, and programs that preserve, support, coordinate and expand services, opportunities and independence for individuals with disabilities.	State/Federal
	Protect against financial and physical abuse, including abuse or extreme conservatorship, and provide appropriate training to law enforcement.	

	Preserve and support the Americans with Disabilities Act and protect civil rights and discrimination.	
Boys and Men of Color and Fathers	Support policies and funding that focus on addressing critical challenges, risk factors and inequities affecting boys and men of color.  Support funding and legislation for violence prevention approaches that are trauma informed and address Adverse Childhood Experiences.  Invest in opportunities to improve resiliency, self-sufficiency, and other long-term outcomes.  Support and promote initiatives that create father-friendly practices that encourage increased male involvement in the intellectual, emotional, social, and financial well-being of children and families.	State/Federal
	Service Delivery	
Safety Net Programs and Supportive Services	Restore, protect, and fund critical safety net benefits and supportive services that increase flexibility, remove barriers to participation, expand programs that work, and simplify/streamline processes and systems to ensure access to public benefits, including for individuals regardless of immigration status, refugees, and asylees.	State/Federal
	Encourage cooperative, multi-jurisdictional, public and private interagency collaboration for funding, planning, and provision of locally identified, linguistically and culturally appropriate services.	
Foster Youth	Expand and build support services and improve systems change under Title IV-E.  Loosen barriers to reimbursement eligibility under Medi-Cal Administrative Activity Claiming.  Promote policies and legislation that eliminate the resource limits on income supports and benefits given directly to youth such as matched savings accounts, Supplemental Security Income (SSI), and CalFresh.	State/Federal
Veterans Services	Support programs and funding that assist veterans in accessing benefits, housing, and stable employment.  Increase funding for the County Veterans Services Offices (CSVOs).	State/Federal
Emergency Preparedness and Response	Support providing program flexibility and access to public assistance benefits and services, including emergency cash, food, housing, and quality child care, and trauma-related behavioral health services to vulnerable populations during an emergency.	State/Federal

Support providing emergency child care assistance to all essential worker families.

Support equal access to and funding for distance learning for all children and youth.

Support developing a public infrastructure that supports individuals with access and functional needs in emergency planning.

## 10X GOAL: CRIME FREE COUNTY

**Crime Free County:** Implement robust criminal justice strategies that lead to a crime free county through responsive and innovative community engagement while providing effective support for victims and reentry populations.<sup>1</sup>

Issue	Summary/Action Item	State/Federal
	Community Safety	
Race & Equity	Support policies and increased funding that seek to reduce racial and ethnic disparity, inequity, and violence in the County regardless of immigration status.	State/Federal
Expansive Behavioral Health	Increase funding for, and access to, mental health and substance use disorder treatment services, in and out of incarceration, including promoting ways to divert those with mental health issues out of the criminal justice system.  Support actions to reduce the affects of toxic stress, trauma, and adverse childhood experiences.	State/Federal
Cannabis	Improve licensing requirements to allow a larger role for local jurisdictions.  Reduce public safety threats such as those associated with cannabis usage and the cash nature of the industry.  Support funding to research the impacts of cannabis legalization and usage.	State/Federal
Market Place Equity	Support the inspection of commercial weight and measuring devices and point of sale devices for accuracy and respond to price gouging complaints.	State
	Victims Support	
Victims of Crime	Increase funding to expand services to all victims of crime, especially violent crime, to strengthen the process for seeking and securing restitution, and to aggressively collect restitution.  Prioritize victim safety and create avenues to streamline access to reporting and legal process information.	State/Federal
Access to Courts	Support policies that increase accessibility for court-related services to vulnerable populations including at-risk youth, foster youth, individuals regardless of immigration status, individuals with disabilities, those with behavioral health needs, survivors of gender-based and other forms of violence and/or abuse, and older adults.	State/Federal

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Human Exploitation and Trafficking (H.E.A.T.)	Enhance services to victims of trafficking and sexual exploitation, especially minors, and increase community and law enforcement education and training.	State/Federal
Reduce Gun Violence	Evaluate and propose changes in the law that reduce the unsafe availability of firearms, the unlawful use of firearms, and gun violence.	State
Consumer, Environmental, and Worker Protections	Increase efforts to provide consumer, environmental, and worker protections particularly around labor trafficking. Maintain countywide focus on illegal dumping and legal environmental protections.	State/Federal
Prevent Domestic Violence and Gender-Based Violence	Support legislation and increased funding for prevention and intervention services related to domestic violence, intimate partner violence, violence against transgender persons, and violence against gender nonconforming persons. Support legislation and increased funding to expand services and programs for victims and survivors of domestic violence, intimate partner violence, and gender-based violence. Prioritize partnerships with community-based organizations to inform this work.	State/Federal
	Support actions to include cross-agency collaboration to prevent, support, and prosecute violent crimes.	
	Reentry Support	
Successful Reentry	Remove barriers to reintegration including barriers to education, employment, housing, and health and social services.  Increase rehabilitation services both for persons in-custody and those who have been released.  Allow more options to reduce court supervision periods.  Support programs designed to restore rights, including reduction,	State/Federal
	dismissal, expungement, and/or sealing of criminal records for those who have completed their criminal sentences.	
Community- Based Support for Justice Involved	Fund expansions and detailed evaluations of community programs and partnerships such as health, social services, and violence prevention that aid justice involved individuals through their rehabilitation efforts and reentry process.	State
Probation Success Rates	Support funding and policies that continue to improve probation success rates and increase public safety; reduce victimization and admission to prisons; incorporate the use of automation to enable monitoring; and focus resources on evidence-based case management through the use of risk and needs assessment tools, service referral and quality controls, and automated case management.	State/Federal

	Increase funding to support higher risk clients for redirected adults and youth.	
Early Releases	Support collaborative efforts during COVID-19 and safe transportation along with coordination with State and local entities.	State
	Support housing and other reentry services.	
	Criminal Justice Strategies	
Technology Informed Tools	Support increased funding to support increased costs associated with technological advancements in the judicial process such as body worn cameras.	State/Federal
	Support efforts to create a streamlined policy and funding model to eliminate current DNA testing backlog and prevent future backlogs. Require ALL sexual assault kits be submitted for testing in a timely expedited manner.	
	Support increased funding for the Adult, Juvenile, and Pre-trial case management system to produce data related to outcomes and statutory reporting requirements.	
Reduce Serious/Violent Crimes	Support more coordinated, regional, multi-disciplinary, and multi-agency efforts to reduce violence and crime.  Support actions that seek to prevent the underlying causes of all forms of violence.	State/Federal
Public Safety Realignment	Reduce recidivism by realigning lower-level offenders to enhance and strengthen community corrections and rehabilitation State/Federal programs aiding both incarcerated and reentry individuals on their road to healthy and successful reintegration. Incentivize evidence-based supervision strategies. Maintain realignment funding, to provide critically needed reentry and rehabilitative services and provide incentive funding to counties who innovate to reduce reliance on State and local incarceration.	State/Federal
Diversion Programs	Support proven diversion strategies such as Collaborative Courts and other programs designed to prevent adults and juveniles, from coming into the criminal justice system.  Promote restorative justice programs and policies.	State/Federal
Alternative Programs to Incarceration	Advocate for continued funding for alternative programs to incarceration.  Increase funding for rehabilitation services that are alternatives to incarceration and focus on recovery to reduce recidivism.	State
	Promote restorative justice programs and policies.	

Pretrial Services	Support policy for permanent funding to continue use of a validated risk-based pretrial assessment tool, focusing on positive and strength-based services to determine a client's eligibility for release pre-arraignment, while also addressing the safety needs of the community.	State
	Juvenile Justice	
Division of Juvenile Justice Realignment	As a result of SB 823, support full funding for the transition of justice involved youth from the Division of Juvenile Justice to local communities, to include a youth continuum of services that are trauma responsive and culturally informed.	State
Youth Empowerment and Juvenile Delinquency Prevention	Increased funding for stronger intervention and prevention programs for all youth including those who are victims of trafficking or sexual exploitation.	State
Youth Violence Prevention and Education Programs	Funding for collaborative violence prevention, education programs, and/or counseling programs for youth who are at-risk of or have been involved in crime.	State
	Emergency Management	
Emergency Preparedness and Response	Support funding for emergency preparedness and management prioritizing inclusion of vulnerable individuals including persons with underlying health conditions, seniors and those with disabilities. Support state agency capacity for tracking and providing guidance on emergency conditions increasing in frequency such as fires, smoke, heat, and power shut-off.	State/Federal

# 10X GOAL: HEALTHCARE FOR ALL

**Healthcare for All:** Pursue policies and programs that ensure healthcare for all with a focus on providing preventive and supportive services to vulnerable populations.

Issue	Summary/Action Item	State/Federal
	Behavioral Health	
CARE Court	Support full funding for CARE Court, the Governor's initiative to	State
	house and provide supportive services to individuals suffering from	
	untreated mental health and substance use disorders.	
Substance Use	Support funding for local substance use outreach, education, and	Sate/Federal
Prevention	prevention programs for cannabis, alcohol, and other substances.	
	Support funding and policies that promote the full spectrum of harm	
	reduction approaches, increase access to opioid overdose reversal	
	treatments, and expand medication-assisted treatment strategies.	

	Support funding and policies to prevent impaired driving.	
	Support funding to study the health impacts of cannabis use.	
Behavioral Health Services	Support proposals to improve access to, and funding for, mental health and substance use services for all populations.	State/Federal
	Support the development of a statewide behavioral health delivery system that adequately funds comprehensive services, supports certified peer and family support models, and tailors services for unique populations, including older adults, LGBTQ+, individuals with disabilities, immigrant populations, justice involved individuals, and reentry populations.	
	Support policies and funding necessary to fully implement mobile crisis services.	
	Support flexible funding to holistically serve people with behavioral health needs who are experiencing homelessness.	
	Support increased funding and flexibility for Counties to provide prevention and treatment services for serious mental illness and substance use disorder.	
	Ensure newly mandated County responsibilities are adequately funded and oppose the diversion of existing funds.	
	Support proposals that promote the integration of health, housing, mental health, and substance abuse treatment.	
	Support mental health parity.	
	Support policies that ease restrictions on providing clinically indicated inpatient mental health services, including changes to the federal IMD exclusion provisions.	
Behavioral Health Workforce	Increase funding to build a competent behavioral health workforce, including peer specialists, that is reflective of the County's cultural and linguistic diversity to meet the demands of existing and emerging behavioral health needs.	State/Federal

	Public Health	
Tobacco Prevention	Support policies and funding that mitigate the health impacts of tobacco including health equity, language access, and cultural competency standards in all tobacco control agencies, programs, processes, and educational outreach.	State/Federal
Public Health Infrastructure	Support policies and long-term, sustainable funding for a robust public health infrastructure that supports counties in performing essential public health functions through investments in workforce, information systems, and quality improvement.  Support robust federal and state public health infrastructures that provide coordination and technical assistance to local health departments.	State/Federal
Public Health	Increase non-categorical funding to local agencies to plan for, assess, and respond to emerging and urgent public health needs and respond to public health emergencies.  Support broad-based public health including reducing, preventing, and controlling the spread of communicable diseases, encouraging immunization expanding vaccine access, preventing health care associated infections and antibiotic resistance, ensuring adequate resources for public health laboratories and services, and adequate funding for pandemic response and local preparedness programs. Support policies and funding to reduce health disparities, reduce disease-based stigma, and promote culturally competent outreach, education, data collection, and treatment.	State/Federal
Violence Prevention	Support policies and funding that implement trauma-informed violence interventions.  Support investments in public health strategies within communities most impacted by violence.	State/Federal
Infectious and Communicable Disease	Support policies and funding that allow for increased and flexible funding for infectious disease prevention and control.	State/Federal
	Healthy Community	
Health Equity	Support funding and initiatives to address the social, environmental, generational, and economic conditions that impact health outcomes, racial/ethnic and disability health disparities, and other inequities that are due to the social determinants of health and structural racism.  Support the consistent collection and analysis of disaggregated race and ethnicity data and ensure adequate funding and technical	State/Federal

	assistance to local jurisdictions.	
	assistance to local jurisdictions.	
	Support health navigators to improve access to health services and support.	
Gender Affirming Health	Ensure access to affordable, appropriate health care for transgender and gender nonconforming persons.	State/Federal
Support for Survivors	Support funding for accessible supportive services, including physical, mental, and health care for survivors of all forms of abuse and violence.	
Older Adults	Coordinate an integrated system of care to preserve, support, and expand programs and policies that promote healthy aging and aging-in-place.	State/Federal
	Support policies and programs that support the Master Plan on Aging and CalAIM.	
	Provide adequate support for medically frail individuals, including access to medical respite, wraparound services, and hospice services.	
Supporting Climate- Vulnerable Communities	Support polices and funding for local governments, communities, and businesses to prepare and adapt to climate change impacts such as wildfire, heat, and sea level rise, flood displacement, and infectious disease, while building resilient communities and targeting the most climate-vulnerable communities.	State/Federal
	Ensure special focus and equitable solutions for most vulnerable communities and their meaningful participation in the decision-making process.	
	Support development and use of integrated mapping and condition- sensing tools to identify the most climate-vulnerable communities.	
Emergency Medical Services	Support adequate funding for Local Emergency Medical Services Agencies (LEMSA) and legislation or regulatory measures that preserve County and LEMSA governing authority and medical control of the EMS systems, and safeguard against system fragmentation and patient safety issues. Promote policies that support innovation and flexibility for LEMSAs to serve their populations.	State
Healthy Education	Promote healthy school and early care and education environments by addressing physical, mental, and environmental health wellness.	State/Federal

Community Health Centers	Support legislation and funding that preserves and increases funding for both public and non-profit community health centers.	State/Federal
	Environmental Health	
Climate Change Mitigation	Support equitable policies to regulate greenhouse gases as pollutants in ways that also maximize health and environmental co-benefits, to develop robust carbon markets, and to provide funding to local governments to combat climate change, reduce toxins on impacted communities and support green workforce development.  Support Paris Climate Agreement's strategies and goals.  Aggressively develop renewable energy targets to keep fossil fuels "in the ground" including the development of utility-scaled solar	State/Federal
	projects and other alternative energy sources.	
Natural Resource and Public Health Protection	Support policies and regulatory structures and local funding that protect public lands and natural ecosystems from exploitation to ensure the public's health and access to clean air, water, and land for all communities.	State/Federal
Environmental Justice	Support policies and regulatory actions that reduce environmental health disparities impacting communities of color and vulnerable populations, provide safeguards against climate change, environmental hazards and related health threats, and address structural and systemic barriers to environmental justice.	State/Federal
Safe and Healthy Housing	Develop new energy and water-efficient, all electric housing with electrified end uses (e.g., heating, cooking), resilient to climate-related impacts (e.g., heat, wildfire, flooding) and located at safe distances from environmental impacts that harm the public and workers' health and quality of life.	State/Federal
Emerging Public and Environmental Health	Support policies and funding to enforce State laws and regulatory authority in the areas of food safety, toxic substances, vector control, waste management, green chemistry, lead, air and water quality, environmental contaminants, and other emerging threats to the public's health.	State
Productive Environment	Promote and protect local agricultural production to ensure a viable agricultural economy, protect working landscapes that provide well-being and natural resources to the community.	State/Federal
	Health Care Safety Net	
Health Care Safety Net	Support policies and funding to promote a robust health care safety net that offers high-quality medical, dental, behavioral, preventive, aging, and disability health care services for people of all ages and regardless of immigration status. Support efforts to increase safety net provider reimbursement rates. Promote development of a highly-	State/Federal

	skilled, local health workforce. Ensure resources are adequate, adaptive, locally relevant, and linguistically and culturally appropriate.	
	Support policies and funding to promote a robust healthcare safety net that offers high-quality medical, dental, behavioral, preventive, aging, and disability health care services and maintains the Children's Health Insurance Program (CHIP).	
	Support efforts to increase safety net provider reimbursement rates. Promote workforce development to address the needs of an aging population.	
	Ensure resources are adequate, adaptive, locally relevant, and linguistically and culturally appropriate.	
Access to Healthcare	Oppose the repeal or destabilization of the Affordable Care Act and other actions that adversely impact health care access, quality, or affordability.  Support policies and funding to increase equitable access to healthcare for all Alameda County residents, regardless of socioeconomic or immigration status.	Federal
	Preventive Health Care	
Pregnancy, Maternal and Early Child Health	Support increased funding for pregnancy, maternal and early child health including through Title V Maternal and Child Health Services Block Grant and local access to Title XIX funding. Support expansion of comprehensive perinatal services for all Medi-Cal eligible women and birthing persons two years post-partum.  Support funding to address racial/ethnic disparities, particularly African-American infant and pregnancy maternal mortality rates. Expand access to doula and midwifery carePromote the initiation of	State/Federal
	prolonged breast feeding.	
	Support increased funding for pregnancy, maternal and early child health through the Title V Maternal and Child Health Services Block Grant and local access to Title XIX funding.	
	Support full implementation of comprehensive perinatal services for all Medi-Cal eligible women and pregnant persons.	
	Support funding to address racial/ethnic disparities, particularly African American infant and pregnancy maternal mortality rates. Promote the initiation of prolonged breast feeding.	

Reproductive Health	Promote comprehensive sex education inclusive of all sexual orientations.  Ensure access to comprehensive and low-cost reproductive health services, including family planning and abortion services and preventative health.  Support full funding of the Title X Family Planning Program, and provision of accurate information for all gender identities and sexual orientations.	State/Federal
Screening and Prevention	Support policies and funding for chronic and infectious disease prevention, comprehensive screening and detection, outreach and education, treatment, and ongoing disease management programs, and integration and coordination of providers and community partners  Support screening for mental health.	State/Federal
	Integrated Healthcare	
Quality Care Infrastructure	Incentivize and support innovative opportunities to improve and enhance an integrated health care delivery infrastructure that promotes collective, coordinated services for individuals, children, and families. Ensure adequate funding to Counties to implement CalAIM and leverage/bolster infrastructure developed through Whole Person Care.	State/Federal
California Children's Services (CCS)	Support continued funding for CCS as a system of care in counties not transitioning to the Whole Child Model.  Support policies and funding that maintain CCS standards and quality case management alongside CalAIM implementation and ensure that any changes to CCS proceed in the best interest of the child served and minimize gaps in service. Support technical assistance for sustained coordination across County CCS programs and Medi-Cal managed care plans.	State

# 10X GOAL: ACCESSIBLE INFRASTRUCTURE

Accessible Infrastructure: Implement smart, accessible, and adaptive public infrastructure that enables the deployment of future technologies while optimizing the returns on investments of existing infrastructure.

Issue	Summary/Action Item	State/Federal
13540	Accessibility and Mobility	State/Teacial
Public Transit	Support funding to increase the accessibility, safety, reliability, and affordability of public transit options, including the reauthorization of federal funds and the flexibility of Transport Mobility Management.	State/Federal
Regional Transportation	Secure increased funding for clean sustainable and health-protective transit and bicycle/pedestrian infrastructure to maintain air quality improvements.	State/Federal
Universal Access to Internet	Increase funding and support policies that secure universal internet access throughout the County and continuity of service during emergencies.	State/Federal
Equitable Public Engagement	Reduce barriers to more meaningful participation by small community-based organizations in local government projects and processes, such as those relating to environmental justice, through their consultation, involvement, and collaboration from the start, which can help shape these projects and processes and better reach equity goals.	State
	Safety and Security	
Regional Communication	Enforce and fund regional communications plans, equipment, training, and services.	State/Federal
Wireless in Emergencies	Support policies that direct wireless service providers to provide reliable wireless communications during emergencies and disasters.	State/Federal
Neighborhood Resilience Hubs	Secure funding to enhance existing community-serving and community-managed facilities (e.g., community centers, recreation centers, youth centers, senior centers, faith-based institutions) to better support all residents during emergency events (regardless of immigration status) without need for immediate government intervention, including through coordinating multilingual communications and distributing resources (e.g., drinking water, food, economic, and emergency assistance) and by increasing adaptive capacity prior to emergencies. One important enhancement is resilient clean energy for uninterrupted power supply to support cooling and air filtration systems.	State/Federal
Public Safety Power Shutoffs and Energy Resilience	Secure funding to reimburse local governments for increased costs incurred as a result of public safety power shutoffs, including provision of emergency backup power and disruption of services and operations. Secure funding for resilient clean energy for	State/Federal

	uninterrupted power for government facilities that provide essential			
	services.			
Maintenance and Preservation				
Infrastructure Maintenance	Secure funding to support the County's infrastructure needs, expand capital investments vital to program and economic development including roadway rehabilitation and maintenance, and maintain the physical assets that house public programs.  Support policies, legislation, and funding that increase safety and pavement rehabilitation, including the reauthorization and stabilization of federal Highway Trust Fund and a dedicated funding source for all rural road safety projects.	State/Federal		
Water	Support policies and funding to promote water conservation,	State/Federal		
Conservation and Security	provide safe and clean drinking water for all communities, and ensure water supply continuity in a future of climate disruption.			
	Support policies to require disclosure of climate-related financial	State/Federal		
Climate Risk	risks by corporations and financial analyses of risks by the federal			
Transparency	and state government.	<u> </u>		
Defining Target Communities	Support efforts to revise the state's definition of "disadvantaged communities" (for use in disbursing cap-and-trade funding) to be	State		
for Cap-and-	more inclusive of the communities that the County and region			
Trade Investments	consider to be vulnerable and disproportionately impacted communities, for instance, by increasing its emphasis on high poverty communities and all-cause mortality as key risk factors.			
Integrated Climate Action Strategies	Support funding, policies, and technical assistance to develop a comprehensive approach and implementation strategies for the County and region to adapt to sea level rise, extreme heat, wildfire, flooding, and other impacts of climate change.  Secure increased funding to update local plans to include climate adaptation and carbon emissions reductions considerations.	State/Federal		
Adapting to Climate Change Impacts	Support establishment of a resilience bond or fund to support long-term investments in natural and built infrastructure that decrease climate risks, particularly in the most climate-vulnerable communities. Support requiring infrastructure funders to prioritize specific resilience, equity, and climate criteria.  Update standards and increase funding to upgrade residential,	State/Federal		
	commercial, and public buildings to minimize risks of wildfire smoke, power outages, and COVID-19 and other respiratory health hazards (including mold and asbestos), while using energy and water efficiently.			
Organic Waste Recycling	Support increased funding for local government implementation of SB 1383, including waste programs, compost, and mulch procurement requirements.	State		

Smart Infrastructure				
Data and Data	Support secure and meaningful data exchanges between systems	State		
Sharing	and services.			
	Support data security and privacy efforts and utilize data to better			
	provide services to County residents.			
	Oppose policies that mandate local/State agencies provide an			
	individual's information for immigration enforcement.			
Sustainable	Develop sustainable built environments that prevent, reduce, and	State/Federal		
Environment	mitigate negative environmental impacts and provide ample open			
	green space and safe thoroughfares, housing, early care and other			
	education facilities, and community businesses.			
	Support legislation and regulations that promote complete streets			
	and other transportation modes through development of bicycle,			
	pedestrian, and transit facilities.			
Upgrading	Secure resources to upgrade streetscapes, transit access,	State		
Commercial	consolidated parking, and activated open space.			
Corridors				
Regional	Consider new policies to create a more equitable jobs and housing	State		
Planning	balance.			
Adaptive Infrastructure				
Accessibility	Community and program planning should include, protect, and	State/Federal		
	support policies that promote design to ensure accessibility of			
	spaces for people of all abilities, ages, and modes of mobility.	a /=		
Climate Change	Support funding that advances use of nature-based solutions and	State/Federal		
Adaptation	green infrastructure to adapt for climate change and builds local			
Class Farm	community resilience and green workforce development.	Charle /Frade and		
Clean Energy	Support legislation and funding for: research and deployment of grid	State/Federal		
	modernization, distributed clean energy systems, and other clean			
	energy, energy efficiency, and storage technologies; local control			
	over deployment of new energy generation and distribution models;			
	adoption of building codes and incentives to retrofit existing building			
	stocks in alignment with state goals for new and existing commercial			
	building to become carbon neutral in their energy use; prioritization			
	of fuel switching from natural gas and liquid fuels to electricity; clean			
	energy workforce development; and equitable and affordable clean			
	energy access for all community members.			

Clean Transportation	Support legislation and funding for: research and deployment of clean transportation fuels, technology, and infrastructure, including electric vehicles for government fleets; local control over deployment; clean transportation workforce development; and equitable and affordable access to all community members.  Support funding to modernize and electrify medium and heavy-duty equipment and fleet vehicles.	State/Federal
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