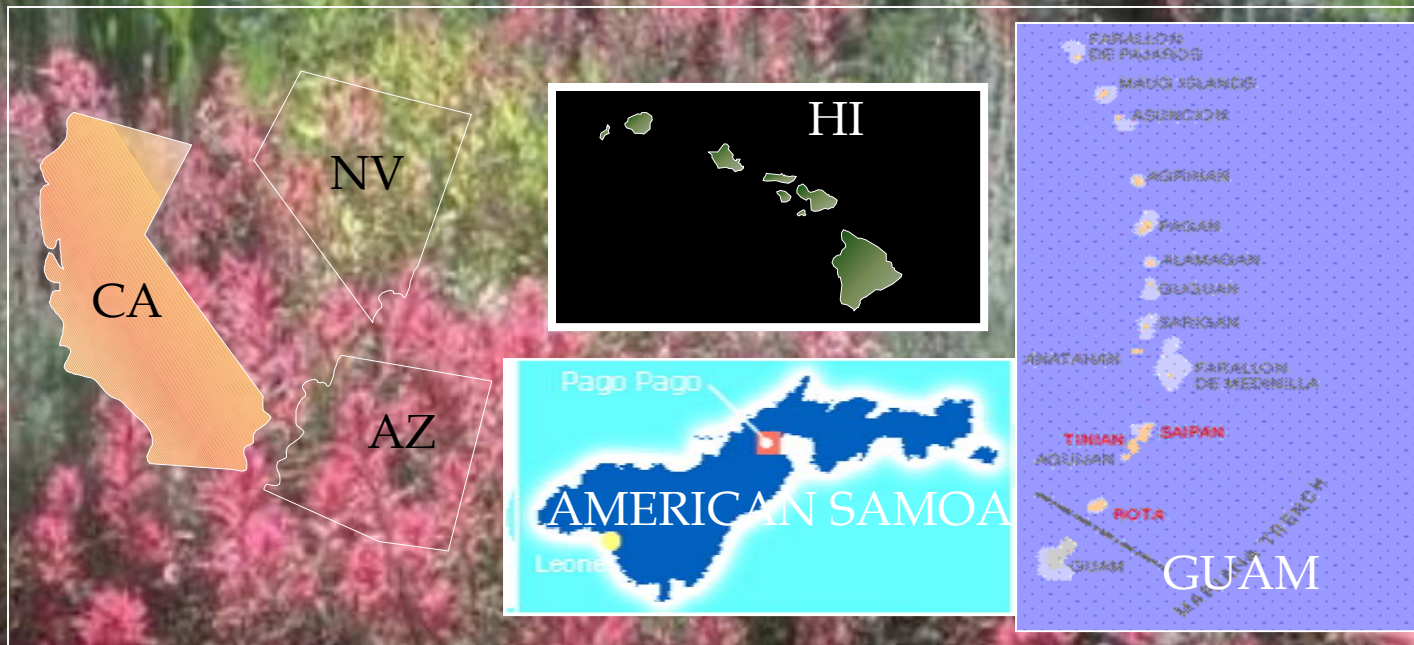


EPA Region 9's Environmental Justice Action Plan - 2003

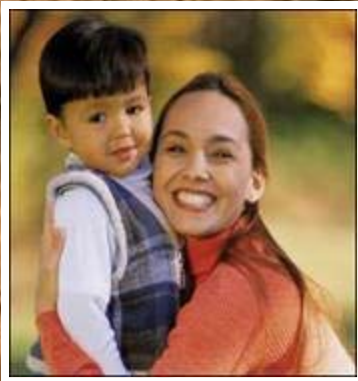


Results for Communities



Administrator's Reaffirmation of Environmental Justice

August 2001 Memo



Fair treatment of people of all races, cultures and incomes with respect to the development, implementation, enforcement of environmental laws and policies, and their meaningful involvement in the decision making processes of the government."



Regional Objectives and Priorities

- A. Systematically integrate Environmental Justice into regional U.S. EPA programs and activities**
- B. Empower communities to identify and address Environmental Justice issues**
- C. Enhance capability of states, tribal governments, industry and other non-community stakeholders to address Environmental Justice**

A. Internal Integration



Develop Region 9 EJ Policy and Guidance



Annual EJ Action Plan



**Permit Writers, Permit Reviewers,
Provide EJ Training to Key Personnel
Enforcement Staff, Inspectors, Project
Officers.**



**Tribes/Border/Pacific Islands Infrastructure
Water Infrastructure Workgroup**

A. Internal Integration



Develop and Provide Training on EJ Tools



National EJ Enforcement Initiative



Enforcement Action Council



Children's Health and Sensitive Populations



Advance EJ through Permitting Processes



Accountability Sessions with Divisions and Programs



Internal Program Evaluation



Broadly Communicate Successes

B. Empower Communities to Identify and Address Environmental Justice Issues



**Providing
Grants
to Communities**



**Providing
Technical
Assistance to
Communities**



**Enhancing Public
Participation**



**Providing Training
to Communities**



**Providing
Alternative Dispute
Resolution (ADR)
Resources**



B. Empower Communities to Identify and Address Environmental Justice Issues



**Hosting listening/
accountability
sessions,
Conferences,
and workshops**



**Visiting sites and
community
meetings**



**Enhanced
dissemination
of information
to communities
and community
advocates**



**Telling the EJ
story**





C. Enhance Capabilities of States, Tribal Governments, Industry, and other Non Community Stakeholders To Address Environmental Justice



**Funding and staffing resources to build capacity
to participate in EJ priorities**



Training for staff and training for future trainers



Assistance or tools for conducting impact analyses



Dispute resolution services



Assistance in development of EJ programs



**C. Enhance Capabilities of States,
Tribal Governments, Industry, and other
Non Community Stakeholders
To Address Environmental Justice**



Cal/EPA EJ advisory Group



**Environmental Health Tracking –
State of California**



South Phoenix Multi-media Workgroup



Federal Regional council



GEOGRAPHIC PRIORITY AREAS

AIR TOXIC PILOT STUDIES

PACIFIC ISLANDS PROGRAM

BORDER PROGRAMS

TRIBAL PROGRAM

EJ Geographic Focus Areas

Barrio Logan
San Diego, CA

Port of Lost Angeles
Wilmington, CA

Central Valley
Fresno, CA

Rillito, AZ

South Phoenix, AZ

North Richmond, CA

West Oakland, CA

Barrio Logan Demonstration Project



Multi-Stakeholder Partnership



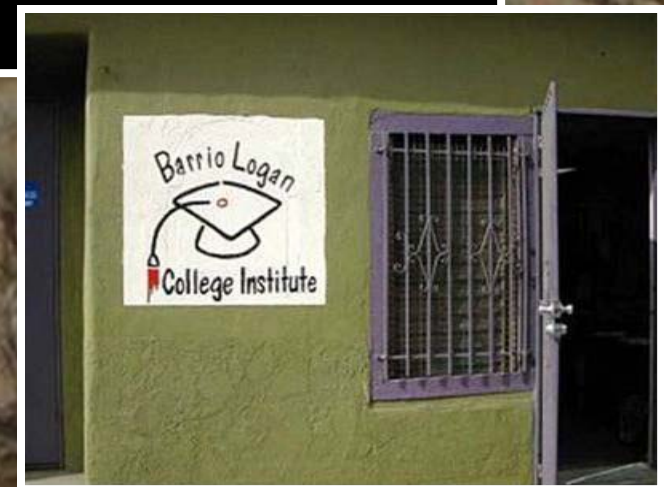
Leveraging resources - \$1.9 M HUD funding



Targeted inspections



Auto body shop compliance assistance



Incompatible land uses, such as a metal plating business located next to a private home, pose an added risk to Barrio Logan residents.



Air Toxics Pilot Study Areas

The background image shows an airport control tower in the center, with a large stadium with a white arched roof to the right. The sky is clear and blue. The text boxes are overlaid on this image.

Clark County, NV

South Phoenix, AZ

Pearl City, HI

Port of Los Angeles, CA

West Oakland, CA

Pacific Islands Program

Major environmental concerns include:



36% of the population lives below the poverty level



16% lack adequate plumbing



60% of the population lack potable water



Region 9 is conducting follow up on enforcement Actions in Guam regarding Landfill and water infrastructure

**Clean up PCB contamination in Tanapag (CNMI).
Open new fully compliant Marpi Landfill in CNMI.**



Border Programs

**EPA's US/Mexico Border activities are guided by
A series of agreements; the most recent is the Border
2012 Plan**

**Border 2012 goals address air, land, and water
Contamination, environmental stewardship, emergency
Preparedness, and reduction of exposure to pesticides**

**New structures are in place to facilitate broad-based
stakeholder involvement**



Tribal Program

EPA's presence in Indian Country

**EPA has a unique role in Indian Country,
As reflected in our Agency Indian Policy,
Executive Orders, Statutes, and treaties**

11% of Region 9 Land is Indian Country

**EPA directly implements federal regulatory
Programs on 99% of Indian lands**

**EPA Region 9 currently manages 400
Active grants to tribes, totaling \$ 83 M**

What's Ahead for EJ

Cumulative Risk Evaluations and Risk Reduction

Results through Multi-Stakeholder Collaborative Partnerships

Measurable Results

Leveraging Resources

Capacity Building

Enhanced Communication

Telling the complete EJ story

Accountability

