

## La Puente Community Feedback Matrix - Phase II

Comment	Method Received	Theme	Action/Comment
The Draft Environmental Justice Element should also address train noise and emissions, as they negatively impact the environment of La Puente residents.	Email	Contamination/Pollution	New policy 1.7
Policy 1.6 - I think there could be more clarification as to what improvement from freeways and railroads will do to help with environmental justice. There are studies out there that find railroads and freeways have caused a lot of contamination, especially when gas use to have lead in it.	Email	Contamination/Pollution Air Quality Collaboration	New policy 6.4 and 6.5
Also, I think the collaboration with AQMD and surrounding cities is a top priority for La Puente residents. I think that a Environmental Justice resident committee could be created by the city. This will give residents an opportunity to support the city in implementing the environmental justice policies.			
Policy 6.1 - I hope the city can find a way to facilitate frequent meetings during the year where residents can voice their opinions about environmental justice issues.			
New Policy Idea: I think the city could create a new position dedicated to environmental justice. The new position could be someone who has experience with working alongside government agencies, grant writing, and basic environmental justice research skills.			
been shut down be transformed into spaces created similarly to Peter F. Schabarum Regional Park in Rowland Heights, Legg Lake Park, Whittier Narrows Recreation Area, and Bonelli Park / Puddingstone Lake in San Dimas.	Email	Green/Open Space Water Quality Mobility Urban Agriculture Outreach and Education	Revision to Policy 5.2, 1.5, 3.1, new Policy 4.6, 4.7, 6.6
Can La Puente residents be provided with reverse osmosis water filtration systems and air purifiers for our homes?			
Improving and evolving cycling infrastructure that connect residents to major hubs. Germany has a solar covered bike path that is goals <a href="https://electrek.co/2023/05/01/europe-solar-covered-cycling-path/">https://electrek.co/2023/05/01/europe-solar-covered-cycling-path/</a>			
Host community classes at resident homes as learning opportunities for tree maintenance to prevent overgrowth/chopping trees down.			
Host community classes at resident homes to grow fruit and vegetable gardens. Then host competitions to celebrate neighbors that are growing non pesticide organic fruits and vegetables.			
Create awareness and celebrate residents that have gardens with drought tolerant resistant native plants. Involve LP paper, use the Jumbotron at parks, social media to highlight and celebrate.			
Work with neighboring agencies.	In Person Workshop	Collaboration	Addressed in Policy 1.6
Increase recreational space.	In Person Workshop	Green/Open Space	Addressed in Goal 5
Look at policy 5.3 and expand to promote green space.	In Person Workshop	Green/Open Space	New Policy 5.4
Partner with schools to identify lots for greening.	In Person Workshop	Green/Open Space	Revision to Policy 5.3
Use open space to mitigate climate impacts.	In Person Workshop	Green/Open Space	Addressed in Goal 1
Promote biodiversity while improving air quality.	In Person Workshop	Green/Open Space	Revision to Policy 1.3
Want community gardens in vacant lots.	In Person Workshop	Green/Open Space	Revision to Policy 5.2 and 5.3
Identify available lots.	In Person Workshop	Green/Open Space	Addressed in Goal 5
Leverage mixed-use land development.	In Person Workshop	Land Use	Addressed in Goal 1

Create a buffer to mitigate industrial impacts on nearby residents.	In Person Workshop	Land Use	New Policy 1.8
Education is needed on what the city can do.	In Person Workshop	Outreach and Education	Addressed in Goal 6
Help get resources to residents.	In Person Workshop	Resident Support/Resources	Addressed in Goal 7
Water quality is important.	In Person Workshop	Water Quality	New Policy 4.6
How can infrastructure help with water quality.	In Person Workshop	Water Quality	
ADA compliance is important. Don't have access to change babies with ADA issues. Playgrounds are not for all abilities. No artificial turf.	Virtual Workshop	Access	New Policy 2.4
Worried about the environment, children have asthma and air quality is important. A lot of action is needed in schools, especially with concerns to lead, plastic, and healthy food. Want better maintained parks, like Puente Park, - but want to see more liberties in schools (not over programmed). Wants more trees.	Virtual Workshop	Air Quality Contamination/Pollution Green/Open Space Collaboration	Addressed in various goals
Concerned that there is no coordination with Hacienda School, about closed schools becoming parks. Concerned there's no connection with other agencies.	Virtual Workshop	Collaboration	Addressed in Policy 1.6 and 5.3
Push to involve parents in this process by working closely with schools. Schools used to be open, and the public utilized their parks and green spaces, but now they are often closed off to the public. Is what we are proposing with Policy 5.3 realistic?	Virtual Workshop	Collaboration Green/Open Space	Addressed in Policy 5.3.
Lead is an issue - the School District is not initiating these conversations and actions. Another entity that can take leadership and protect the community is necessary.	Virtual Workshop	Contamination/Pollution	New Policy 4.8
Should address issue of lead exposure within policies.	Virtual Workshop Virtual Workshop	Contamination/Pollution Contamination/Pollution	New Policy 4.8 Revision to Methodology section of document chapter 2, Existing Environmental Conditions.
Note that other cities are contaminating LP			
Minimize use of harsh chemicals to mitigate mosquitoes	Virtual Workshop Virtual Workshop	Contamination/Pollution Food Access	Addressed in Policy 1.6, 3.1, 3.2, 3.3, and Goal 1.
No "real" farmers market in La Puente, with more fruits and veggies. Plastic a concern, along with having school foods with more fresh and healthy foods. Need natural ways to mitigate pollution. Work with other cities to address environmental issues. Affordable housing is important.		Contamination/Pollution Collaboration Housing/Homelessness	
Lead industry has ties with politicians.	Virtual Workshop Virtual Workshop	General Comment Green/Open Space	Addressed in Goal 5
The development of green spaces has taken a long time for the city to decide. Many green have been lost. The city has invested significant time and money into building the park. Will this urban greening policy come to fruition? While the park is a great addition, there are other vacant areas suitable for open space. Is establishing a community garden realistic? Developing green space may, for example, reduce parking availability for families and housing opportunities, so there is a trade-off. How quickly will progress occur?	Virtual Workshop	Green/Open Space	Addressed in Goal 3 and 5.
The police is not really doing much. We've had these ongoing concerns for years, and the city has failed to address them. We need to have an actual change, such as the creation of green spaces and increased accessibility to food			
Policy should include that all residents (minimum of 55% of residents per census tract) have access to parks.	Virtual Workshop	Green/Open Space	New Policy 5.5
Plant more trees and greenspace, especially near train tracks or high-traffic areas.	Virtual Workshop Virtual Workshop	Green/Open Space Green/Open Space	Addressed in revised Policy 1.3 Addressed in Goal 5
Limited access to parks, kids can't play because parks are closed to non-registered activities. Want to see more community gardens. Wants more trees and other ways to clean the air.		Air Quality	

<p>People have been coming for years to advocate for their concerns. Many individuals in the room have not had their voices heard, which underscores the importance of documenting their comments. Global warming is a reality. For example, Pasadena has trees and shade, yet our community members, especially seniors, are forced to endure extreme heat while waiting for the bus. It's imperative to prioritize the well-being of seniors. Cooling centers and winter shelters need to be proactive in their outreach efforts so that people are aware of the resources available to them.</p>	Virtual Workshop	Green/Open Space Outreach and Education	Addressed in Goal 1
<p>The lack of housing is a pressing issue. While the PROS team is making efforts, there is still much more to be done. Will tangible progress occur?</p>	Virtual Workshop	Housing/Homelessness	Addressed in "Relation to other General Plan Elements" section, particularly with intersection of the Housing Element
<p>Bus stops and parks are crucial for the homeless population, who often utilize them for restroom facilities and shelter from extreme weather conditions. There is an opportunity to increase outreach efforts to inform homeless individuals about available resources. Goal 4 "Ensure safe and sanitary housing" - how are we enforcing it while not hurting people? There are homes with multiple families residing in them, and many rely on income generated from car repairs conducted on multiple vehicles parked on the premises.</p>	Virtual Workshop	Housing/Homelessness	Revision to Policy 4.3
<p>As the overall goals, EJ Goals sound well. In our efforts to ensure street safety, we need to involve law enforcement due to issues like street racing. While La Puente does a good job with graffiti, there still remains a problem within the neighborhood. Encouraging seniors to participate is challenging – they are afraid. The 'walking strategy goal' needs to account for this.</p>	Virtual Workshop	Mobility	Addressed in Goal 1
<p>Students who have to walk home in extreme heat face significant challenges, and providing a shuttle service could greatly alleviate their discomfort and ensure their safety. It's concerning that no action has been taken in this regard. What can we do to support them?</p>	Virtual Workshop	Mobility	Revised Policy 1.2
<p>We have a traffic problem. How can we protect pedestrians? We need more infrastructure for walking. If we ask schools to allow the public to use their playground equipment and parks, are we expecting the schools to maintain them after hours? And how can we ensure the safety of these school playgrounds? What influence can we exert on the schools to open their facilities to the public? La Puente has a large agricultural community where horseback riding is common, but the roads are not safe. We need to ensure safety. How can we ensure bicycle safety?</p>	Virtual Workshop	Mobility Green/Open Space Collaboration	Revised Policy 1.2 and overall in Goal 1
<p>Transparency to youth and adults alike.</p>	Virtual Workshop	Outreach and Education	Incorporated in plan
<p>Leverage educational programs to raise awareness.</p>	Virtual Workshop	Outreach and Education	Incorporated in plan
<p>Acceptance of sex offenders in our neighborhoods is a concern. I understand that everyone should share the burden, but they are predominantly located in poor neighborhoods.</p>	Virtual Workshop	Public Safety	General comment noted.
<p>Many people in our area are involved in agriculture, and the county has intervened by requiring them to cut down trees due to mosquito issues. Despite this, some individuals still plant avocado and citrus trees and herb gardens in green spaces. However, the county often conducts spraying activities, which affects these efforts. Policy 3.1 on urban Farming can be counterproductive if county cut down fruit trees planted by community.</p>	Virtual Workshop	Urban Agriculture	Addressed in revised Policy 3.4