

Bayview Hunters Point Environmental Justice Response Task Force

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Participants: Dalila Adolfo (Greenaction), Sabrina Hall (BVHP Mothers and Fathers Committee and Greenaction), Karen Crespo Triveño (Greenaction), Nancy- BCPP, Eric Bissinger (CARB), Renay Jenkins (BVHP Mothers and Fathers Committee, Greenaction), Janice Hunter (Greenaction), Gabriel True (Outer Richmond), Leotis Martin (Greenaction and BVHP Mothers and Fathers Committee), Eric Brooks, Jin Zhu, Morgan Capilla (US EPA), Shweta Tatkar (BCPP), hp-nues, Gloria Barry, Charles (BVHP Community Member), Johnny Martin (BVHP Community Member), Rebecca E. Skinner, RManion (SFE)

AGENDA

5:00 Welcome

5:10 Community Announcements and Resources Exchange

5:25 IVAN Complaints

5:40 "Paths to Prevention" by Nancy Buermeyer (Breast Cancer Prevention Partners)

6:05 IVAN discussion

- Agenda Committee
- Problem Solving

6:55 Next Meeting Dates, Times, and Location

7:00 Meeting Adjourned

MINUTES:

Welcome:

Dalila: Does anyone have any community announcements or resource exchange?

Leotis: hello Dalila

Charles: Did you all like the shirts?

Leotis: How you doing Dalila

Dalila: i'm doing well

Sabrina: Community Meeting Regarding Testing & Toxics In Bayview
<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82093062737> , September 21st at 7PM

Dalila: Does anyone else have a community announcement or resource? Health? Housing, environment, COVID-19, fires?

Eric Brooks: I'm working with the housing rights committee in Bayview, they recently told me that there was a Bayview Hunters Point chapter for housing rights. We're fighting to protect residents from evictions, residents only need to pay 25% of rent. If they want to connect to it then I can put information in the chat

Dalila: Awesome, it's been a while, last time we met was before the BVHP We Can't Breathe Protest so I was wondering if people wanted to speak about their experience?

Sabrina: I really thought the event was a success, it was nice meeting 1000 grandmothers, youth vs. Apocalypse, they had a very powerful speaker, it's a shame that we weren't able to do a car caravan but we can do it in the future.

Gloria: I'm going to put my email in the chat, I saw some strange stuff

Dalila: Me and Agustin Angel who is a coworker, went out there for an air monitoring tour for the youth, I remember that there was more activity out there than I expected. Whenever the next time I go, I'll shoot you an email. I saw a food truck which was strange

Rebecca: The city department of emergency noticed that they opened cooling areas for better air quality in locations like Chinatown, it was really helpful in the 2018 time

Gloria: my concern was that there wasn't much outreach to homeless community members

Rebecca: I remember having to look through the list rather than it being publicized well.

Eric Brooks: I put the housing committee information in the chat so if you're having issues please reach out

Sabrina: is the committee located in Bayview?

Eric Brooks: I was confused about that because in a recent meeting I thought they mentioned Bayview as a location but I've never heard of it until recently

Sabrina: Interesting, yeah we all need to figure out where they're located

Eric Brooks: I'll ask more about it the next time I talk, your confusion is my confusion as well, I'm guessing there's not enough organizing around it. Definitely contact the committee if you're having

trouble paying rent please feel free to reach out.

*Dalila: Alright I'm going to move ahead with IVAN Complaints. Intersection of 3rd street and evans is one of the city's most heavily polluted, entryway to India Basin *reads description of the second Ivan Complaint that was filed about the construction site*, third complaint *reads about the CCSF construction site*. I was wondering if BAAQMD is on this call so they speak about this or if any other government agency is here to speak to this.*

Sabrina: This is Sabrian, to speak a little to this, I see this while I'm driving, I'm not there enough to know if they're doing water control, I'm not there, some days are super hot, some days are windy,

Dalila: I do see that BAAQMD has documented this but I can go by there and check to see if it's uncovered and no one is working, maybe Leotis because you're really good at seeing if people are watering down a construction site, if those things aren't happening then it should be documented and reported to BAAQMD. Any other comments about the three complaints we had this month?

Sabrina: I'm curious about the wires, I need more information about the description

Dalila: I do not have contact information, from the description it's hard to know if there's hard wires on the floor because that's a hazard whether they're low like you said. I'll respond with those questions so we can follow up more. Any other comments or suggestions? No?

Dalila: We can go ahead with the presentation by Nancy

Nancy: Breast Cancer Prevention is a national organization we work to reduce cancer exposure

Nancy: Paths of Prevention, we started 3 years ago to create an action plan to create the best community wisdom to stop breast cancer before it starts. Breast cancer is an issue that's affected by many, 1 in 8 women get cancer in their lifetime. Black women get exposed most frequently, some of the factors will address some of those, what can we do as a society to reduce breast cancer in california? Every state has a cancer control plan, they don't often talk about how to prevent a disease to begin with, they often talk about how people should exercise more or eat healthier

Nancy: We focus on how to stop the disease before it starts: , more access to fresh produce, there's more ways that we make this more difficult than others, we focus on systemic interventions We focus through a social justice lens. Folks who live in the ground know this better than other communities. In order to put this plan together, it's a massive document, we pulled together numerous sources, labor leaders, public health folks, review of the peer reviewed science, study groups to get a deeper dive about the science, community engagement research, if you take a specific action do you get a result that you're looking for.

Nancy: We took all those pieces, put them together, finalized the plan which just came out last Tuesday. The document is huge but we do have a summary in Spanish and English. It's about 18 pages, we broke the different factors down into three different buckets that either increase or reduce the risk. Foundation to everything else, race and social inequity, front and center, not just deal with those

issues, deal with those issues across all of the different sections. Good bit of science, strong feelings of the community, number of cutting edge issues that require more issues that show what the link is to breast cancer. Those were research recommendations. There were 330+ policy interventions and 85+ research interventions. We had sound science and we wanted to put an action agenda. I'm going to go through a couple of samples to give a flavor of what we looked at. The community engagement piece- we had a lot of people working on it, go out and find which were the communities across the state, how do we address some of those issues. "Don't do anything about me without me". We held listening sessions where we went to a community, we had a partner organization who hosted us and helped us invite the right people in the room. We did probably 10 of those that were most relevant to people's day-to-day life. We presented the science and listened. What are the problems, what are solutions that you're working on or issues that you think should be worked on. We went forward to the foothills in the Sierras, relatively small ones, came to a handful of these meetings. Once we pulled all of that together, we held another gathering, a 2 day gathering where we asked 16 community leaders around the state.

Nancy: we ended up with this large action plan and interventions, what can school boards do? What can businesses do? It was a cross cut around different approaches, recommendations are complex and inter-related. Dealing with this environment influences other impacts, addresses other societal and health issues. We talk about ending racism within this plan, people don't do it just to end breast cancer, people do it to end systemic racism. While there are a lot of other interventions, there's no way to create an exhaustive list, some will be picked up by people, generate new and different ideas. We don't see it as, implementing the whole thing. We want other groups to view this and build partnerships with us so we can do more projects across the state. We're looking to fund some resources to help the community.

Nancy: In terms of place based chemical exposures, there's lots of those in bayview in terms of sewage plants, the EJ community have been working to advocate for a proper clean up, reform state oversight of DTSC air monitoring, improve water quality monitoring, regulatory decisions, incorporating community

Nancy: We also focus on reducing exposure to medical radiation, clean up current/former military industrial sites and bases, radioactive waste, require financial and logistical assistance to residents and businesses that need to relocate, company and the state should help you with resources to buy a home that wouldn't have radioactive waste, ban development on top of radioactive waste

Nancy: Occupational exposures; we want to remove PFAS from firefighting foam, establish ambient air pollution standards to protect outdoor workers, especially during wildfires, provide protection for workers cleaning up after fires, day laborers and domestic workers with few OSHA protections, we also need to make sure that day laborers are protected when they're in sites that have recently been under flames.

Nancy: Questions?

Eric Brooks: What you're doing looks strong, can you speak about breast cancer action?

Nancy: sure, people like Susan B. Coman organization, we're uninterested in the pink ribbon corporate campaign, we work closely with them with issues like fracking, we sign onto the same policy and legislation action, we just signed onto a document to Kern County. They do a lot of treatment and we mainly focus on prevention of exposure of toxic chemicals

Eric: I just popped their website into the chat if anyone is interested

Nancy: If you go to our website, cancer prevention is on the front page. We have a whole page devoted to, you can see the full report and look at all the individuals

Dalila: Are there other phones that have been identified?

Nancy: Yes, there are in widespread use in the US, they're used around the world, PFAS with fires and open ended, we give the until 2028, there are a lot of alternatives, exposure is common to firefighters and water contamination

Dalila: Water contamination part blew my mind

Janice: *muffled speaking*

Dalila: You're going in and out

Janice: *muffled speaking*

Janice: Is this better? I just wanted to say thank you, it was an amazing experience, my mom passed away young from breast cancer, utilizing other treatment, this was not the case for her, not only was I interested in the science/community but I was interested from a personal standpoint. It was an eye opening experience, I'm sure Nancy can share other organizations, so thank you again.

Nancy: It was really nice working with you janice, PSLRA were involved, Sierra Streams institutes, Center for Poverty and Development, the acknowledgements include people like Janice

HP-Nunes: you mentioned environmental data, community level margin level, for regulatory purposes, I know that there are hard limitations in the case of the ability for data, How are you making use of air quality data for breast cancer prevention? How are you communicating that data to policy makers and data?

Nancy: specific chemicals, there are studies going on now trying to correlate breast cancer and air quality, we're looking forward to getting that data out, we do a lot of work about consumer products, we talk to a lot of communities, we think state agencies should be respectful of that science, even something like AB617, instead of hiring expensive consultant, then why can't they just hire people from the community to do that groundwork instead?

Rebecca Skinner: What's the role about Vitamin D?

Nancy: the evidence isn't super well developed, there are suggested studies out there between vitamin D and breast cancer then I'm going to direct you to Sharima, it's very technical but there needs to be more research about the correlation and the issue.

Eric Brooks: Now is the time to take more vitamin D

Nancy: A lot of the issues correlate to COVID, inhibit immune function which is an obvious issue, the correlation between who gets exposed and who gets COVID, black and brown folks and people who live in poor neighborhoods have been impacted most evidently

Dalila: Any other questions, comments, something that you want to look back at?

Nancy: I will also put my email in the chat in case people want to see it. I also want to thank you for allowing me to present, thank you for letting me speak to you all

Sabrina: It was a really interesting presentation, now with the effects with the contamination, the fires, we have a triple chance of benign exposed, I'm definitely going to do more research and look into your website

Nancy: Thank you Sabrian

Eric: There are chemicals, like the firefighter chemicals, there are sites both on the Navy site and Treasure Island.

Nancy: The military has not been the best at responding to these issues, once they're on the ground they won't be able to get broken down for thousands of years

Dalila: Alright, anybody else's last question or comment? Well thank you so much Nancy for presenting at Environmental Justice Task Force, keep in contact, access to the data, correlation

Nancy: Thank you all very much I appreciate it

Dalila: I want to have an IVAN discussion about how to beef up the IVAN participation, beef up the internal participation about how IVAN works, I've done little series of this throughout this year, I finally have dedicated some time with Gabriel True, thank you Gabriel, in terms of how we can break down the work. Something I wanted to bring to you all, is the proposition of the agenda committee

Dalila: We did have a group of folks that aided in coming up with an agenda, reaching out to people if they wanted to do a presentation, community updates, i would love to know, please go up in the chat if people are able to restart that. I've been on me and Janice to reach out to folks and I would love to broaden that reach and to get- it's a community own process. If you're interested please let me know

and sound off in the chat

Eric Brooks: I can help with resources in the chat from the housing rights committee, talk about all the issues you face with toxic waste, mold, etc.

Dalila reporting from Ray's comment: Would be helpful to get an idea of what the community wants to know more about, what topics, what topics can help in terms of efforts, environmental justice can be really broad, it can be housing, MTA issues, can be different things that connect to your health, so thank you Ray for that suggestion.

Dalila: COVID-19, any more suggestions in terms of presentation, people to invite, topics related to Bayview that you all would like to see?

Eric: We can invite housing rights committee here, we can have them present

Dalila: I would love to get in contact with them

Eric: I'll try to touch base with them about a presentation

Dalila: Ok

Dalila: Jin says in the chat that HRC housing may not work on public housing

Eric: I believe that they do, I was in a meeting with Nancy Pelosi's office and if they do work with it then they can work with this too

Dalila: The next meeting will be October 21 from 2-3pm. I already have a presentation from one of Abraham's colleagues from DTSC.

Eric: I'll email you and we can put together a team on that

Dalila: Is there anything else that I can do or committees that I should reach out to

Sabrina: African American communities are bombarded with hair supplies, especially to black women, and how more hair supplies chemicals cause a higher risk in terms of exposure to breast cancer. San Francisco Department of public health, different cancers, I wonder if we should regulate the beauty supplies in our neighborhood

Dalila: Absolutely, I'm super picky on what goes on my head, documentaries that go on my head, products that are directed to African American women have way more chemicals. There are a lot of better products that have come out recently, but they're expensive. From personal experience, things on the shelf now can be way more expensive

Sabrina: We need to look into it for sure, it's on the website, that's all I wanted to say

Nancy: We run a campaign for safe cosmetics, for personal products and cosmetics and the impact on women of color and black women, products that had the greatest number of chemicals which was part of a hair straightening product that's targeted to younger girls of color. There's a lot of bills that are in the process of potentially being passed, one issue is Mercury in skin creams, beauty standards, another bill that requires companies to disclose what it means when a product says "fragrance", there's a lot going on with cosmetics. Feel free to check out our website, there's a lot of resources. There's also a campaign against Johnson and Johnson against the talc that's been contaminated. They increased the marketing to white women but now it's being targeted to women of color. Now it's been promoted to countries overseas.

Dalila: What is the name on the bill on the governor's desk?

Nancy: there's two, toxic free cosmetics act, cosmetic and personal care product, chemicals and fragrance and flavor ingredient right to know act

Eric: I just put nancy's website as well

Dalila: I would encourage folks to reach out the EU standards for cosmetics, the bill to ban cosmetics is laughable

Eric: another interesting factor on this, if people live in district 10 to get natural and organic tattoos, are they being sold anywhere in district 10

Sabrina: you are correct eric, it's a hair dessert and food dessert

Dalila: Products aren't regulated at all

Sabrina: Yeah *laughs*

Eric: you can also save the chat to have all of the links and resources. You'll notice that once you save the chat we can save the folder

Nancy: One of my colleagues can definitely come in and do a presentation about it

Dalila: I'm totally interested, not to speak for community

Sabrina: I am too

Dalila: The last week of August, first week of September, complaints were on file and weren't investigated until I got back, at some point we had multiple people who could look at the complaint alerts from IVAN to respond, then that would be great

Dalila: Is anyone interested in becoming a problem-solving person, you can also email me

Dalila: I need someone to help in case I go on vacation in the future, collective process, at this point I would say an hour, with training

Hp-Nunes: does the investigator process mean ..?

Dalila: Water contamination, may look toxic, strange color, etc. I would have to go on the IVAN website, read through the complaint post it on the IVAN website, write to that person that its under investigation please lookback for updates, we don't really have point person per agency as we would like, which i would like, ideally we would contact a person like from the water boards, another agency, hopefully I would get an update about the investigation, and then go from there on how it's supposed to work. It's flexible in terms of your comfort level

Hp-Nunes: is there an update on the air monitoring network?

Dalila: We are still looking for an air monitoring technician, I have two candidates, once that happens, before that happens, I'm hoping to get that up by the end of the month which is super exciting. We originally had our steering committee, we had our workshop, unfortunately with COVID, some of these institutions have been hard to get a hold of, a few have been under construction, we're pivoting a little bit, looking towards residents who can work with air monitoring. Anthony Khalil is looking at Hunters View apartment where Leotis lives, right now it would be great for an alternative for the southeast health clinic, they're going under construction which is a year and something from now. We're looking at anybody who lives on the side of 3rd that the southeast community lives on, not necessarily where the community lives on, north or south of that. We should have been deployed by the end of the month. That is the goal. Yeah.

Any other questions, comments, things like that?

Alright well, this meeting is adjourned. I will have these notes and last meeting's notes on there as well. I apologize for the delay in the notes from the last meeting, I was working on transcribing the recording.

Renay: I really enjoyed the presentation, learned a lot of new information. We're looking forward to doing a caravan when the air quality gets better here in the Bayview.

Dalila: Our next meeting is on October 21st, 2PM-4PM. Thank you Eric, I forgot that zoom is requiring passwords for meetings starting next month. That will be on the flyer and the email, if you can't access feel free to get in contact with me via email

Sabrina: Thanks everyone

Nancy: Thank you everyone

Everyone: bye!

FULL CHAT:

17:06:01 From iPhone : Janice Hunter - Greenaction
17:06:31 From Sabrina Hall : Hey Janice
17:06:39 From hp-nunes : Hi Janice
17:11:07 From Sabrina Hall : Community Meeting Regarding Testing & Toxics In Bayview
17:11:28 From Sabrina Hall : <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82093062737>
17:11:50 From Sabrina Hall : 9/21 @ 7pm
17:13:51 From Sabrina Hall :
https://sfpublicpress.org/is-this-the-bayviews-big-park-moment/?utm_content=Contact&utm_source=VerticalResponse&utm_medium=Email&utm_term=despite%20efforts%20to%20include%20the%20local%20community%20in%20the%20planning%20and%20the%20benefits%2C%20many%20are%20skeptical&utm_campaign=Luxury%20Event%20Company%20Conducts%20Homeless%20Sweep%20Ahead%20of%20Tech%20Conference
17:14:16 From Sabrina Hall : Leaotis Martin is quoted in this article :-) BVHPMFC
17:17:26 From Gloria Berry : Gloria.berry2010@gmail.com
17:20:03 From Eric Brooks : To contact Housing Rights Committee (HRCSF) to get help with tenant protection (including HUD tenant issues and Virus Crisis rent protections) and to get involved in the BVHP section of HRCSF get a hold of Brad Hirn at:
brad@hrssf.org
HRCSF website:
<http://hrssf.org>

17:52:34 From Eric Brooks : Breast Cancer Action: <http://bcaction.org>
17:52:58 From Sabrina Hall : thanks Eric
17:54:08 From Nancy - BCPP : [Ccpp.org](http://bcpp.org)
17:54:35 From Nancy - BCPP : <http://bcpp.org>
17:54:46 From Shweta Tatkar - BCPP : <http://bcpp.org>
17:54:47 From Rebecca E. Skinner : ? <https://>
18:06:21 From Rebecca E. Skinner : Thank you for your presentation !
18:06:31 From Nancy - BCPP : Nancy@bcpp.org
18:06:39 From hp-nunes : Great and insightful presentation, thank you!
18:08:08 From Sabrina Hall : thanks for the email Nancy
18:13:31 From RManion SFE : Would also be helpful to get idea of what people (residents) want to hear/know more about
18:13:48 From RManion SFE : Like tonight's presentation - great!
18:13:55 From Eric Brooks : San Francisco Virus Crisis Tenant Protections up to September 30:
<https://sfrb.org/temporary-eviction-moratorium>

California Virus Crisis Tenant Protections
after Sep 30:

<https://www.gov.ca.gov/2020/09/02/governor-newsom-announces-housing-is-key-campaign-to-inform-californians-about-states-new-tenant-and-landlord-protections>

HRCSF website & email:

<http://hrcsf.org>

brad@hrcsf.org

18:15:26 From hp-nunes : Keeping the community safe from covid.
18:15:34 From RManion SFE : Been awhile since transportation presentation and updates on MTA and 3rd street corridor
18:17:56 From Jin Zhu : One thing to consider - HRC may not work on public housing
18:18:34 From Dalila Adofo : Dalila@greenaction.org
18:18:37 From Eric Bissinger-CARB : I can arrange a presentation on CARBs SEP program: <https://ww2.arb.ca.gov/our-work/programs/supplemental-environmental-projects-seps>
18:19:19 From Jin Zhu : Great to know
18:25:38 From RManion SFE : What is the name of the ask-up bill on Gov desk
18:25:56 From RManion SFE : Name of bill on Gov desk
18:26:26 From Eric Brooks : Which bill?
18:27:26 From RManion SFE : yes
18:27:34 From Dalila Adofo : Toxic Free Cosmetics Act
18:28:00 From Dalila Adofo : Fragrance and Fragrant Chemical Right to Know Act
18:28:25 From Eric Brooks : <http://bcpp.org>
18:28:29 From Dalila Adofo : Fragrance and Flavor Ingredient Right to Know Act
18:30:19 From Nancy - BCPP :
<https://www.bcpp.org/take-action/california-demand-an-end-to-secret-chemicals-in-cosmetics/>
18:30:56 From Nancy - BCPP :
<https://www.bcpp.org/take-action/california-ban-toxic-chemicals-in-beauty-products/>
18:32:17 From Sabrina Hall : i didn't even notice you were recording :-) it's fine with me