

APPLICATIONS OPEN until 9/8 for the Petaluma Equitable Climate Action Coalition

Thank you for your interest in participating in the Petaluma Equitable Climate Action Coalition! (PECAC)

Climate change has already greatly impacted our community in the last few years. The effects of climate change are not foreign to us, and as tends to be the case, communities rendered most vulnerable by racist systems bear the brunt of the impact. In order to address climate change, we must address the fact that in Petaluma 60-70% of our greenhouse gas emissions (pollution that causes climate change) come from transportation. A primary reason for this is the historical prioritization of investment in highway development over public transportation and our resulting dependence on single occupant vehicles to get around. This historical underinvestment in meeting the mobility needs of low-income and people of color has resulted in racial disparities in transportation-related burdens and benefits, often exacerbating social inequities in other areas like health and wealth.

There are many solutions we can implement right here in Petaluma, and communities most impacted by systemic inequities, transportation policies, and climate change must be at the forefront of how decisions are made about implementing these solutions equitably. This coalition is designed to give YOUR voice direct input into the City's upcoming Active Transportation Plan. Join us to reimagine the future of equitable transportation in Petaluma!

What is this?

A 6.5 month incentivized commitment from September-March to support you in uplifting the voices of our most impacted communities in providing input into how the City of Petaluma can prioritize policies, programs and resources to address mobility needs, and thus climate change, as the Active Transportation Plan gets created.

Who is eligible?

Members of the Petaluma community of ALL ages, 14+. Specifically, BIPOC (Black, Indigenous, People of Color) individuals and individuals who are historically underrepresented in decision making such as youth, seniors experiencing inequities, people with disabilities, LGBTQIA+, or people experiencing shelterlessness.

Who is an ideal participant?

- You are interested and/or concerned about the links between equity, transportation and climate change
- You have the desire to participate in local government decision making
- You have participated in community building activities and are excited to give back to the local community

What is the time commitment? (see schedule below)

- Approximately 10 hours per month (may vary monthly) for 6.5 months, September 2022-March 2023
- Ability to participate in meetings virtually and in-person on two Tuesdays a month from ~5:00-7:30p
- Flexibility to join periodic Commission (1st Wed) or City Council Meetings (1st & 3rd Mon) around 6:30p

What is the goal?

- Learn about equity principles, transportation, civic engagement, community listening and self-care
- Conduct a listening conversation(s) with members of your community about their transportation related concerns and desires, then synthesize input into a set of transportation policy recommendations for the City

What support will you receive?

- Training on core concepts, listening session support, and guidance from Equity First Consulting & Daily Acts
- Relationship building with local leaders, engaged community members and elected officials
- A stipend of \$1,800

APPLY BY SEPT 8th, 2022 - Email Kerry@dailyacts.org or Ri@dailyacts.org with questions

Meeting Schedule - Alternating In-Person at Lucchesi Community Center and Zoom Meetings (*times and method of meeting may shift slightly*)

- Tuesday, September 27 | 4-7p in person
- Tuesday, October 11 | 5-7p on Zoom
- Tuesday, October 25 | 5-7:30 in person
- Tuesday, November 8 | 5-7p on Zoom
- Tuesday, November 29 | 5-7p on Zoom
- Tuesday, December 13 | 5-7:30 in person
- Tuesday, January 10 | 5-7p on Zoom
- Tuesday, January 24 | 5-7:30 in person
- Tuesday, February 14 | 5-7p on Zoom
- Tuesday, February 28 | 5-7:30 in person
- Tuesday, March 14 | 5-7:30 in person
- Tuesday, March 28 | 5-7:00 in person