# **Elevating Equity Investments**

Capital Planning Committee Information Presentation
December 14, 2020



Inspire, Connect, Play!

## City Charter, after 2016 Proposition B

# **Section 16.107(a)**

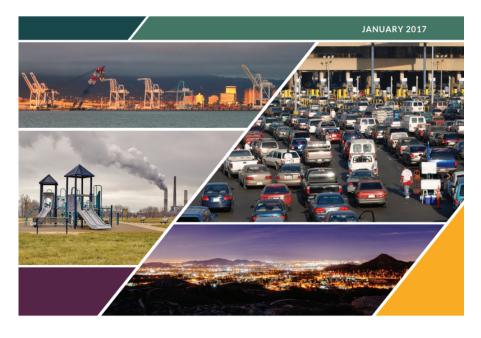
The Department embraces socio-economic and geographic equity as a guiding principle and commits to expending the funds across its open space and recreational programs to provide park and recreational access to all of San Francisco's diverse neighborhoods and communities.

# Section 16.107(4)(h)

- (1) the department shall develop ... a set of <u>equity metrics</u> to be used to establish a baseline of existing Recreation and Park services and resources in <u>low-income</u> <u>neighborhoods and disadvantaged communities</u>, <u>compared to</u> services and resources available to the <u>City as a whole</u>.
- (2) the <u>Strategic Plan</u> shall include an equity analysis, and strategies to mitigate any equity deficiencies identified ...
- (3) the <u>Capital Expenditure Plan</u> shall include an equity analysis of RecPark Capital expenditures, using the equity metrics adopted ... include strategies to mitigate any equity deficiencies ...
- (4) the <u>Operational Plan</u> shall include an equity analysis of RecPark Services and Resources, using the <u>equity metrics</u> adopted ...

### **CalEnviroScreen Data**







Matthew Rodriquez
Secretary, California Environmental Protection Agency

#### **RPD Disadvantaged Characteristics**

#### **Sensitive Population Indicators**

- Asthma
- 2. Cardiovascular Disease
- 3. Low Birth Weight
- 4. Age (youth and seniors)
- 5. Non-White

#### **Socioeconomic Factors**

- 1. Linguistic Isolation
- 2. Poverty
- 3. Unemployment
- 4. Educational Attainment
- 5. Housing Burden

#### 10 characteristics, equally weighted





### CalEnviroScreen Data in SF

Census Tracts ranked with cumulative rate of:

Age

(most youth & seniors)

**Asthma** 

Cardiovascular

**Low Birth Weight** 

Non-white

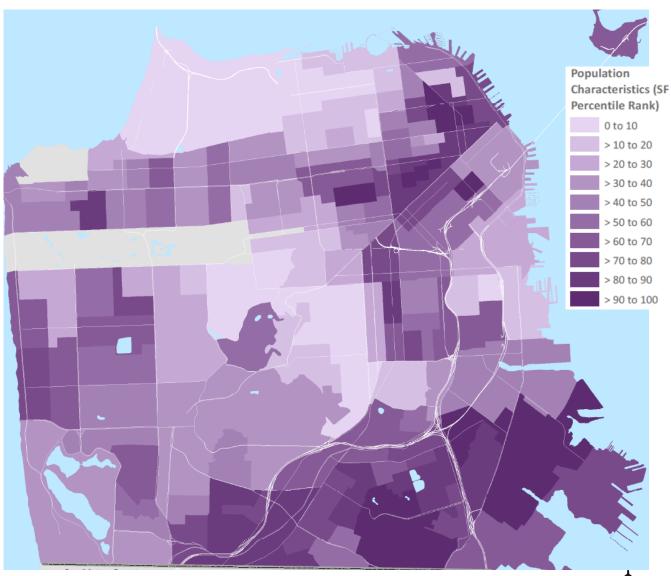
**Education Level** 

**Linguistic Isolation** 

**Poverty** 

Unemployment

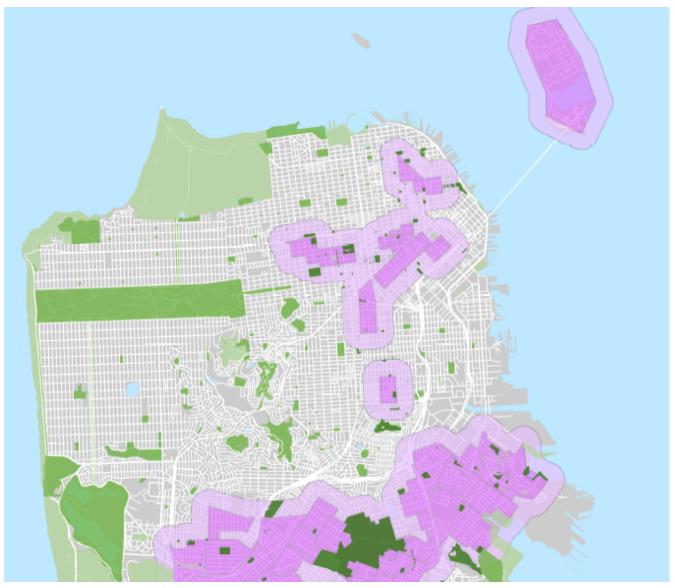
**Housing Burden** 







### CalEnviroScreen Data in SF



Census tracts with the

highest 20%
of Cal-EPA's CES
3.0 Population
Characteristics,
compared to
the City as a
whole,
and designated
as Equity Zones



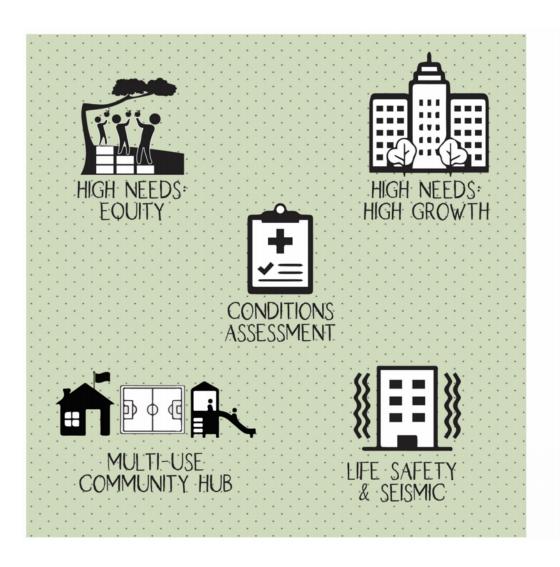


# **RPD Equity Metrics 2020**

Demographics		<b>Equity Zone</b>	Non Equity Zone	City as a Whole
	Population <sup>1</sup>	178,000	712,000	890,000
	% Population	20%	80%	100%
Metrics				
Park Access	Number of Parks	89	130	219
	% of Parks	41%	59%	100%
	Park Acreage <sup>2</sup>	671	2,603	3,274
	% of Park Acreage	20%	80%	100%
Safety	SFPD Incidents <sup>3</sup> within 500' of Parks/1,000 people	28,067	21,774	49,841
	% of Incidents within 500' of Parks	56%	44%	100%
Maintenance	Park Evaluation Scores <sup>4</sup>	92.4%	91.6%	91.6%
	Maintenance and repair requests completed <sup>5</sup>	95.4%	96.2%	96%
Investment	Capital Investment <sup>6</sup> /1,000 people	\$244,756	\$17,450	\$62,911
	% of Capital Investment	78%	22%	100%
Volunteers	Recreation Volunteers Hours 7/1,000 people	131	33	52
	Park Volunteers Hours/acre	55	19	26
	% of Total Volunteer hours	46%	54%	100%
Recreation	% of Recreational Resources	40%	60%	100%
	% of all Children's Play Areas	46%	54%	100%
	% of Dog Play Areas	22%	78%	100%
	% of Scholarships <sup>9</sup>	69%	31%	100%
Kids & Nature	Outdoor Recreation <sup>10</sup> registrants 18 and under	1,610	5,331	6,941
		23%	77%	100%



### **RPD Bond Selection Criteria**



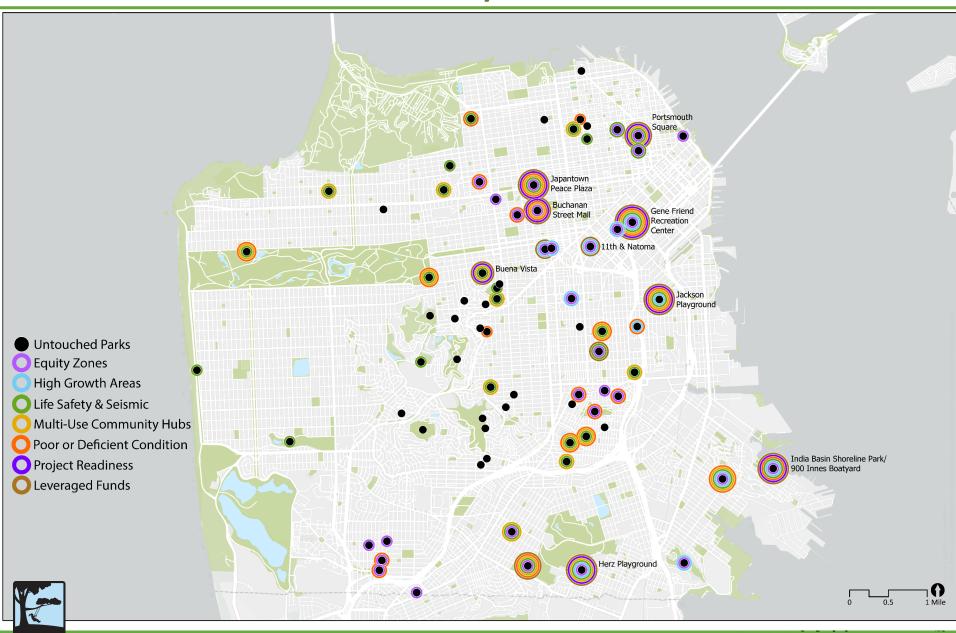








# **RPD Bond Selection Criteria - Analysis**



# **2020 Bond Program**

Investment Priorities			\$239M
NAMED PROJECTS	101	PROGRAMS	136
Buchanan Street Mall	2	Citywide Parks	18
Gene Friend Rec Center	30	Recovery Parks (Priorities include Crocker Amazon, Buena Vista, Jackson, Richmond Senior Park, South Sunset & Chinatown)	86
Herz Playground/Sunnydale HOPE SF	10	Sustainability	14
India Basin	29	Playgrounds	9
Japantown Peace Plaza	25	Community Opportunity Fund	6
Contingency – Projects	5	Trails	1
		Community Gardens	0.6
ADMINISTRATION	2	Contingency - Programs	1.4

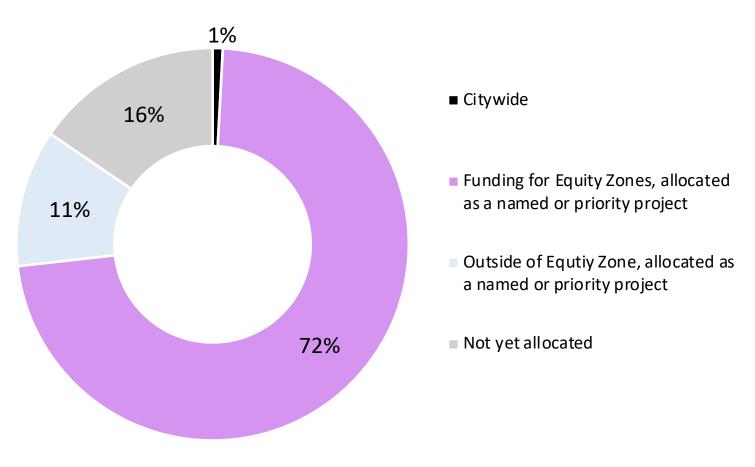
**Projects in Equity Zones (Bold)** 





# **2020 Bond Program – Equity Analysis**

### **2020 Bond Allocation in Equity Zones**







## **Beyond the Charter**



San Francisco Recreation and Parks offers free dynamic, engaging and culturally-relevant recreation programming to youth under 18 living in shelters, foster care, public housing, or in housing developments assisted by the City through the Mayor's Office of Housing & Community Development (MOHCD). Through a combination of onsite and hyper-local programs, coupled with extensive outreach, Regulty increases access to and participation in our existing programs and scholarships.

#### **Budget and Funding**

Requity is funded by the City's Soda Tax (2016), which imposes a one-cent-per-fluid-ounce excise tax on the initial distribution within San Francisco of sugar-sweetened beverages, syrups, and powders, to be spent on improving public health. In May 2020, Mayor London Breed added a new category for funding that includes outreach, scholarships and equity in recreation.

FY 2019-20 Budget: \$2 million, including staffing, scholarships, and other programming costs





### **Lessons Learned & Best Practice**

- Incorporated feedback from CalEPA to be more specific/relevant for SF
- Maintain dynamic information with continued feedback from community
- Continue to refine data and metrics
  - Incorporate new data sources
  - Identify nuances of need in EZs
  - Streamline reporting for capital investments in internal databases
- Work on Equitable Development Plan for India Basin
  - Strategies that will strengthen existing communities; workforce development, youth opportunities, enhanced neighborhood connectivity; environmental justice & arts/culture
  - Create template for future projects
- Continue working on elevating equitable outcomes within the Department as well as within Equity Zones



**RPD Summer Camp Sign** 



New Mobile Book Lending @ Requity Site



