

# **Update on Systems Transformation**

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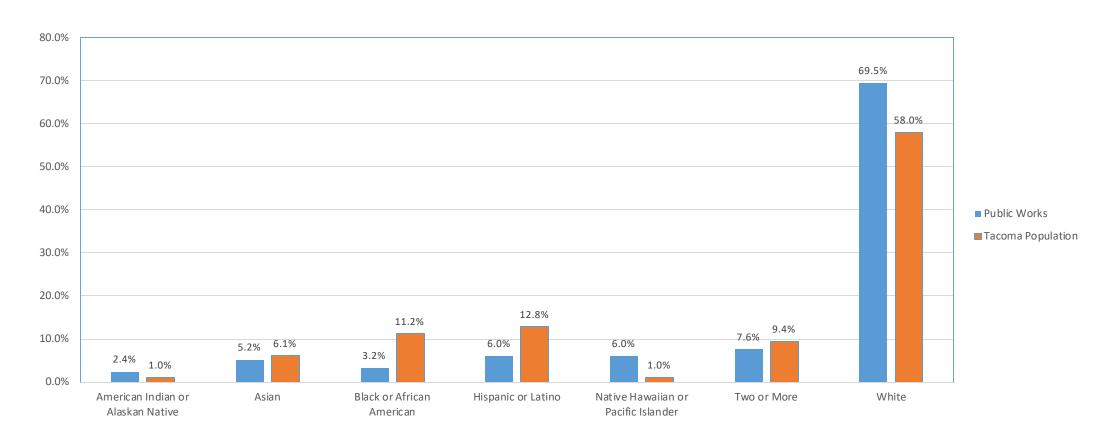
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### **Departmental Highlights**

**Public Works Department** 

## Public Works and City of Tacoma Demographics (as of 3rd Quarter 2022)





#### • • • Public Works REAP Goals

- 1. Workforce demographics reflecting the community it serves.
- 2. Equitable outreach and communications.
- 3. Equitable Service delivery and Infrastructure Investments.



#### • • Workforce Reflects the Community

- Intent: Achieve parity between the demographics of our workforce and the overall city population.
- Specific tasks include:
  - Attend job fairs that aid in attracting people of color.
  - Challenge hiring process screening criteria.
  - Challenge current candidate testing procedures.



### • • Workforce Reflects the Community

#### **Status**

- Job fairs
  - Put on hold due to the impacts of COVID.
  - Pivoted during COVID to develop a draft communications protocol and the departmental equity mission statement.
- Hiring processes
  - Street Operations Division reviewed/revised 8 positions to remove potential barriers consistent with the positions.
  - Traffic Signal and Streetlight section worked with Bates Technical College and the Tacoma Training and Employment Program (or TTEP) to create a pathway for participants to enter its apprentice program.



### • • Workforce Reflects the Community

#### Next steps:

- Creation of presentation strategy and research job fairs and opportunities for engagement with educational institutions for 2023.
- Work with PW hiring managers to implement strategy and begin to assign presentation roles for upcoming job fairs and engagement.
- Continue to refine hiring requirements and testing criteria to increase departmental trend lines for diversity in candidate pools and hires.



#### Equitable Outreach and Engagement

- Intent: Continue to build on efforts to deliver projects in an equitable manner by engaging in meaningful communications with community members.
- Specific tasks include:
  - Working with other departments in the development of an equitable engagement framework.
  - Create tools and guidelines for use with our various projects, programs, and other city-wide initiatives.
- Past example: Project Office for the Lincoln Business District Revitalization Project, multi-lingual staff.



#### • • Equitable Outreach and Engagement

#### **Status**

- Vision Zero Action Plan and REAP
  - Engagement led by community members most impacted by traffic violence.
  - Purposeful engagement events with translation services and participant compensation.
  - Creation of an external Task Force to assist with plan review.







#### • • • Equitable Service Delivery

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- Intent: Public Works needs a greater ability to overlay infrastructure information with the City's Equity Index.
- Specific tasks include:
  - Developing a central source of spatial data to better understand potential inequities of City provided programs and projects.
  - Developing tools to:
    - Reference and overlay equity related graphic information to assist in planning and allocating resources within the community.
    - Visualize inequities and adapt strategy and operations accordingly.



### • • Equitable Service Delivery



#### **Status**

- Initiated an inventory of asset data.
- Completed a State Title VI audit and systems update 85% complete.
- City-wide Addressing Project Complete.
  - Partnered with Planning Development Services and Information Technology Departments to capture over 20,000 missing addresses.
- Positioning ourselves to take advantage of the SAP Now! project to completely revamp our asset management capabilities.



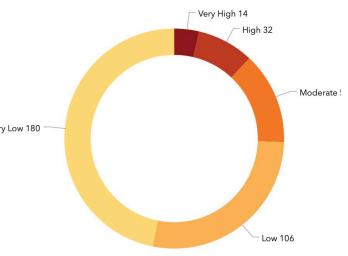
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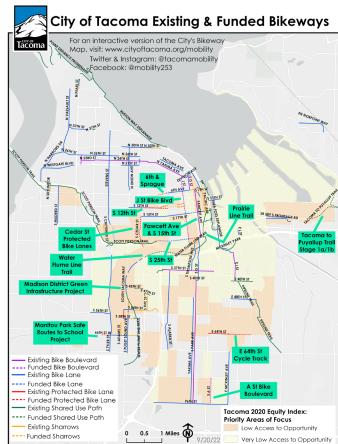
#### **Status**

- 75% of the City's high-risk transportation network is located in low & very low opportunity zones.
- The active transportation team prioritizes projects based on safety, equity & connectivity to begin to address these disparities
  - but more work is needed.

#### Fatal & Serious Injury Crashes by Equity Index Areas



Vision Zero Data Dashboard: cityoftacoma.org/visionzero





#### Departmental Look Forward



- Goal 1: Finalize the departmental Equity Mission Statement and Communications Protocol.
- Goal 2: Work with other departments to finalize the Equitable Engagement Framework.
- Goal 3: Continue working on the ability to overlay all of our asset information against the city's equity index.





## **City Manager Update**



- TPD Released a video segment for the public on <u>How do we</u> <u>recruit officers to TPD</u> via Talks with the Chief series to respond to ongoing concerns around TPD staff capacity. 10/13
- OMB Held budget town halls for community engagement in the biennial budget process. 10/24, 10/27, 11/01
- HR Performed an Employee Survey to inform the department and organization-wide action plans.. 10/13
- OEPS Hosted Tacoma Climate Leadership Cohort to educate frontline community members about the intersection of climate change and critical topics concerning our community. 11/04 -11/06

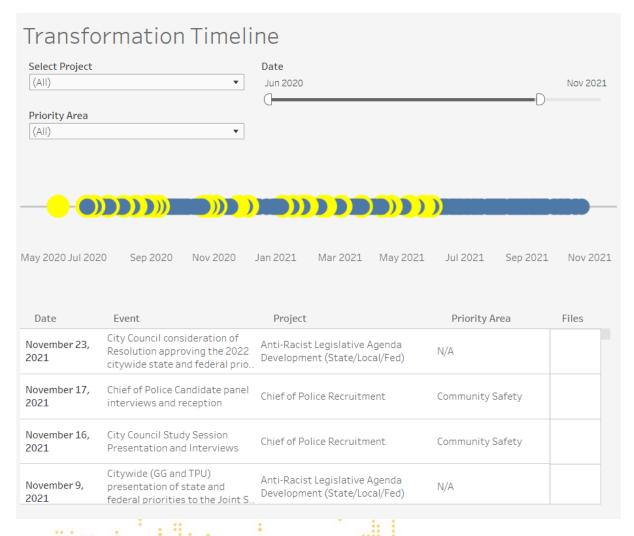


## **Community Engagements**

- TPU Apprenticeship Expo will be taking place on 11/15 from 4:00-7:00 pm in the Tacoma Public Utilities Auditorium and online. Participants must register at <u>cityoftacoma.org/jobs.</u>
- TFD Informational Sessions will host its final session 11/09 from 5:30 7:00 pm in a hybrid format. Participants must register at <a href="mailto:cityoftacoma.org/jobs.">cityoftacoma.org/jobs.</a>
- Departments and offices hosted nearly 50 students today for Student Government Day.



## Transformation Timeline & History



- <a href="https://cityoftacoma.org/transform">https://cityoftacoma.org/transform</a>
- Timeline of transformation activities since passing Resolution 40622:
  - Filter by:
    - · Council Priority Area
    - Selected Projects
    - Time period
  - Click on the file icons to see related documents and meeting recordings





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