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# WOCAP Steering Committee

March 12, 2025

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- 1 Welcome + Roll call (5 minutes)
- 2 Town Hall recap (5 minutes)
- 3 New Business (20 minutes)
- 4 STEP - Tree Planting and Stewardship (50)
- 5 Open Forum (15 min)



**Recap**

# End-of-year celebration!

- 5 years of progress
- 100+ attendees
- 3 inspiring speakers

Davida Herzl  
Paul Cort  
Veronica Eddy



**New Business**

# Looking forward through 2025

- WOEIP now leading WOCAP as District focuses on other AB 617 communities
- Continue to support strategies based on 5-year progress
- Funding for 2 years

# Informational Presentation Caltrans 580 Truck Study

**March 19**

10:00 am

BAAQMD office:  
375 Beale Street

**Livestream:**

[bit.ly/baaqmd-meetings](https://bit.ly/baaqmd-meetings)

Hosted by  
Policy, Grants, and Technology  
Committee at the Air District

- How would removing the truck ban on I-580 affect safety, efficiency, reliability, and traffic speed along the I-880 and I-580 corridors?
- How would this change impact public health equity for nearby communities?





# Listening Session

## Equitable Building Electrification

**March 28**

10:30 – 12:30 pm

**RSVP for zoom link:**  
[bit.ly/lcea-listening](https://bit.ly/lcea-listening)

Hosted by  
Local Clean Energy Alliance  
(LCEA)

**Join the Conversation**

**Listening Session on  
Equitable Building Electrification!**

**When:** March 28, 2025  
**Where:** Zoom Virtual Meeting  
**Time:** 10:30am-12:30pm

**Overview:** The Local Clean Energy Alliance (LCEA), in partnership with the Building Energy Equity & Power Coalition (BEEP), invites Bay Area community residents to participate in an open group discussion.


**Goals of Discussion:** CPUC seeks direct input from community members on key issues affecting them.


**Possible Topics:**


- What is Electrification & Decarbonization?
- Who is the CPUC & how can they help with current challenges?
- What are the programs available for residents?

**Your voice is essential in shaping an equitable and sustainable energy future.**

If you are interested in participating, please get in touch with **Hernando Sanchez**.  
Contact info: [Hernando@localcleanenergy.org](mailto:Hernando@localcleanenergy.org) (510) 295-5485  
RSVP by Link: <https://forms.gle/URsi7xuRGNiqtuoQ9>  
or the QR Code Here!

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# **STEP: Creating healthier, more accessible streets in West Oakland**

Making our streets healthier & more beautiful

# Agenda

- What is the STEP program?
- Understanding the STEP components
  - Truck management
  - Sidewalk improvements
  - Tree planting
  - High-traffic corridor showcase
  - Green canopy stewardship
- Discussion/Q&A
- How *you* can promote the program!





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FOUNDATION**



**hyphae** design laboratory

West Oakland STEP – the Sustainable Transportation Equity Project – funding is provided by the **California Climate Investments program** from CARB's Low Carbon Transportation program

# West Oakland Sustainable Transportation Equity Project (STEP)

\$10.5M grant • Ends Q1 2026 • Grant manager: OakDOT

**Truck  
Management**

**Sidewalks &  
greening**

**Bike hub**

**Transit**

## *Implementing Organizations*

OakDOT  
WOEIP

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Oakland Parks  
& Recreation Foundation  
(OPRF)  
Hyphae Design Lab

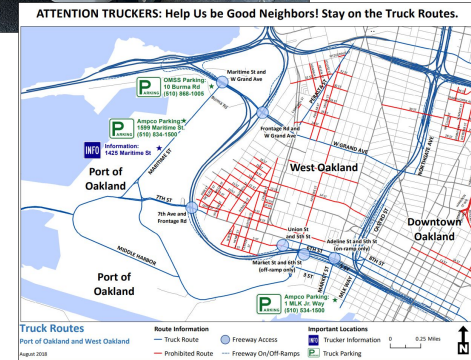
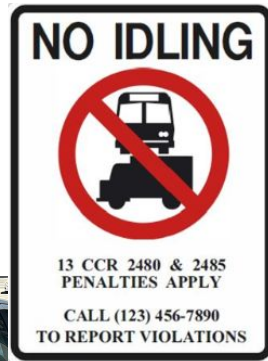
Crucible

OakDOT (via  
ACTC grant)



# Truck Management & Outreach

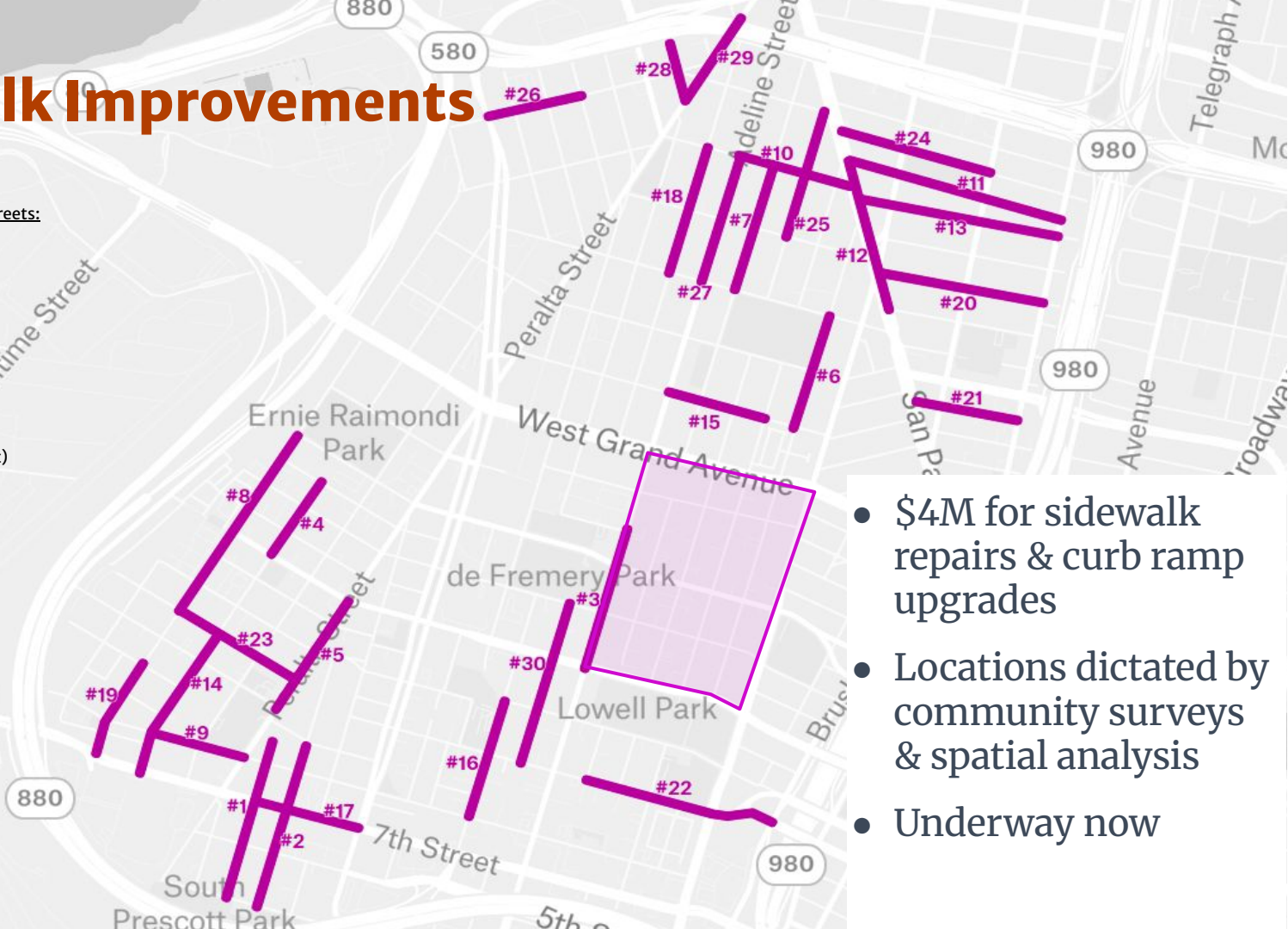
1. Route Signage
2. Driver Outreach
3. Parking Enforcement
4. Truck No Idling Signs



# Sidewalk Improvements

## Final Rank & Cross Streets:

- 01 - Henry (8th)
- 02 - Chester (8th)
- 03 - Adeline (18th)
- 04 - Willow (16th)
- 05 - Peralta (12th)
- 06 - Myrtle (26th)
- 07 - Chestnut (30th)
- 08 - Wood (15th)
- 09 - 8th (Campbell)
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- 11 - Brockhurst (West)
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- + Census Tract 4024



- \$4M for sidewalk repairs & curb ramp upgrades
- Locations dictated by community surveys & spatial analysis
- Underway now





# Planting trees across West Oakland

## Request a tree

Any resident or local business can complete the interest form to plant tree(s) in existing tree wells or street-facing yards.

## Site assessment

A member of our team will assess site eligibility and call 811 to mark underground utilities.

## Permit application

If the site is eligible, property owner chooses tree species and signs permit application and/or liability release.

## Tree planting!

OPRF leads tree planting (likely in the fall); resident or stewardship coalition members care for new trees.



**Area eligible for free trees**



***We need your help!***

Share the interest form with 5 people who live or work in West Oakland. Tell them that our team may be able to plant one or more free trees at their home or business.

**Request a free tree: [woeip.org/trees2](http://woeip.org/trees2)**



Scan the QR code above and/or email Meet Panchal ([mpanchal@woeip.org](mailto:mpanchal@woeip.org)) for more info.



# Showcase Project

*Demonstrating collaboration between community groups & the city to remove concrete and increase planting space*

Hyphae, with OPRF support, is modifying the typical sidewalk repair process:

- New tree wells
- Expanding smaller wells
- Stump removal



# Cutting new tree wells City requirements

- Within sidewalk improvement routes
- Property owner's signature on permit application
- 5.5' of passable sidewalk between property line and tree well (sidewalk width from property line to start of curb must be  $\geq 8.5'$ )
- Outside of any bus stop or disabled parking zone
- Leaves at least 5' x 5' turning space at junctions
- At least 5' from:
  - residential driveway curb cuts and parking/info signs
  - above ground street fixtures (fire hydrants, utility poles, bike racks, parking meters, etc.)
  - nearest underground utility
- At least 10' from commercial driveway curb cuts
- At least 20' from traffic signals/signs, streetlamps, and existing trees



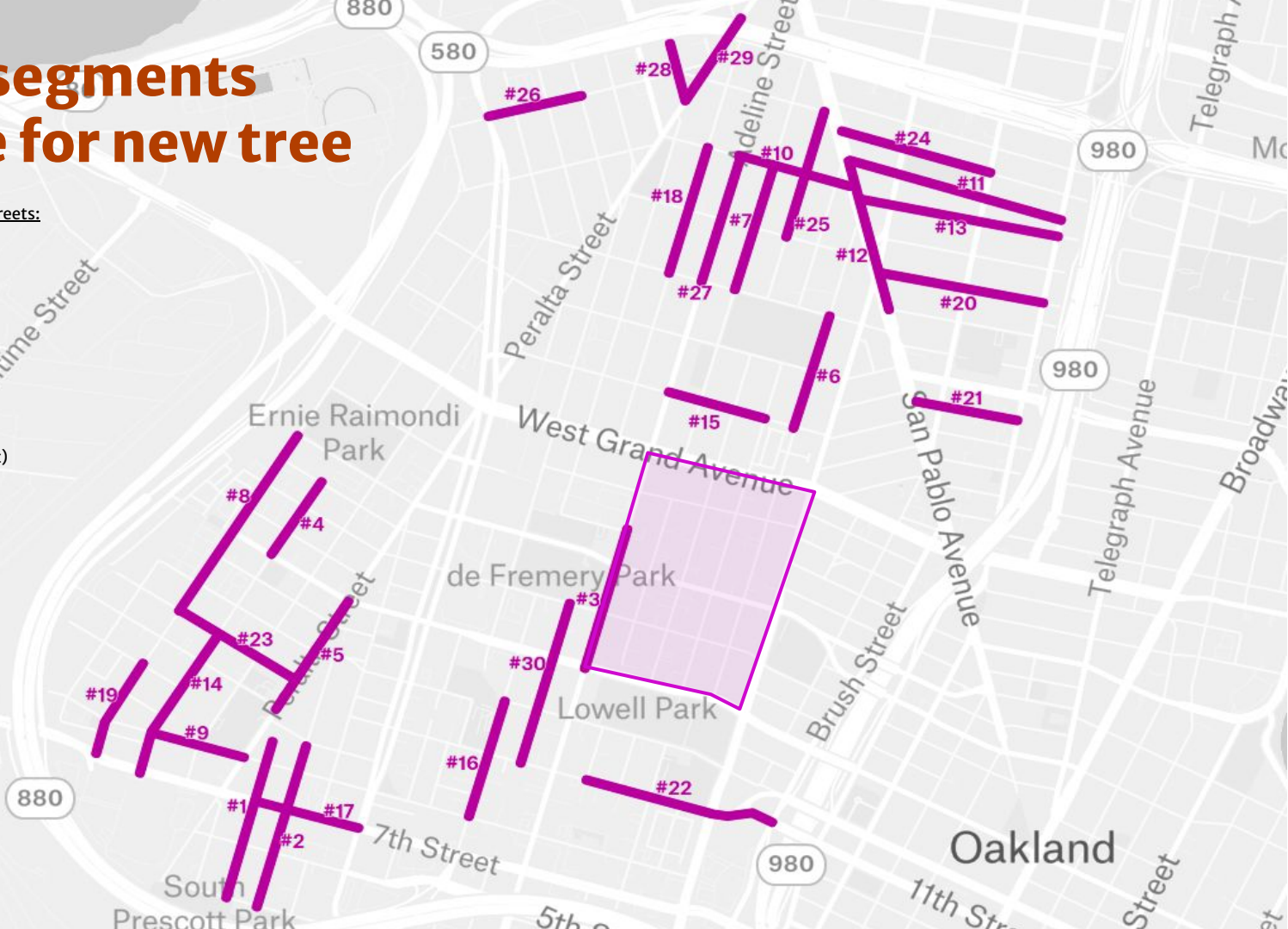


# Street segments eligible for new tree

## Walk

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# Green canopy stewardship

*Develop and pilot a long-term, community-based stewardship program for West Oakland's new tree canopy*

- Coalition-based to harness local tree expertise
- Ensure new trees survive most critical first 3 years
- Blueprint a scalable model to support Oakland's Urban Forestry Plan
- Build pride of ownership across the community
- Create a structure supporting efficiency and effectiveness for local orgs navigating urban planting



# Green canopy stewardship

*“Develop a long-term, community-based stewardship program for West Oakland urban green spaces; pilot the program.”*

We plan to convene our first Stewardship Coalition meeting with local tree care orgs and small businesses in early April.

Coalition goals may include:

- Help new tree recipients care for them if they are not able (water 5 gal/week for first 3 years during dry months)
- Create a model and community that can be scaled across Oakland as the new Urban Forestry Plan is rolled out in the coming months and years
- Help organizations and individuals navigate “red tape” when they want to plant and/or maintain more trees in urban environments



***For the Steering Committee***  
Thoughts? Ideas? Advice?

# **Next working session** for Steering Committee members

**April 2**

12:00 – 2:00 pm

WOEIP office

*Keep an eye on your email for the invitation.*



**Thank you.**



**Scan me.**



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