

RECLAIMING OUR COMMUNITY: POLLUTERS FUERA!



Homes for All of Us: Housing Action Package 2.0 – SUPPORT WITH AMENDMENTS

For generations, Logan residents have breathed some of the most polluted air in CA. Air pollution causes cancer and damages our lungs, making conditions like asthma worse. The City of San Diego has a long history of racist rules that allowed businesses to release dangerous fumes right next to homes, schools, and doctor's offices in this primarily Mexican-American community.

Racism & Pollution:

- Racist laws from the 1950s to the 1970s led to the rezoning of Barrio Logan, a residential low-income community of color, into an industrial area. This meant that polluting businesses could operate next to homes and schools.
- Residents live near major pollution sources, like the Port of San Diego's Tenth Avenue Marine Terminal, shipyards, San Diego Naval Stations, the I-5 freeway, the Coronado Bridge, and the BNSF railyard.
- These polluters attract thousands of diesel-emitting trucks a month.
- Residents in Logan breathe more diesel pollution than 90% of communities in CA.



Cancer, Lung Damage, and More:

- Children in Logan have more than double the rate of asthma emergency room visits than San Diego County as a whole.
- Logan's rate of asthma-related hospital visits is higher than 95% of census tracts throughout the state.
- According to EPA's National Air Toxics Assessment, residents in the Portside area (including Logan) have a higher risk of developing cancer from air toxins than 93% of the nation.



REVERSE THE LEGACY OF RACISM:

The City of San Diego has the opportunity to change racist policies with the Homes for All of Us: Housing Action Package (HAP) 2.0. Currently, HAP 2.0 is requiring certain types of toxic polluters to move out of the community within 15 years. EHC and Logan residents are asking City Council to strengthen HAP 2.0 with the following changes:

1. Stop All Polluters, Not Just Some:

- ☹️ City Proposal: In HAP 2.0, the City identifies "harmful-uses" as certain types of polluting businesses that the City will no longer allow to be built near homes. These "harmful-uses" are junk yards, wrecking and dismantling of motor vehicles, heavy industrial operations, and recycling plants. However, HAP 2.0 allows all other types of polluting businesses to stay open in our neighborhood forever.
- 😊 Our Ask: Expand the "harmful use" label from these limited categories to include ALL business that pollute our neighborhood, such as warehouses, auto repair and/or body shops, and welding.

2. Keep Polluters 1,000 Away from Community:

- ☹️ City Proposal: In HAP 2.0 the City proposes stopping "harmful-uses" from operating 50 ft. away from homes. That isn't enough protection from their toxic emissions. It also leaves schools, parks, and medical offices vulnerable to pollution.
- 😊 Our Ask: Polluters need to be at least 1,000 feet away from not just homes, but schools, parks, and medical facilities to limit the risk of cancer and prevent damage to our lungs and body.

3. Removing Polluters is Urgent:

- ☹️ City Proposal: The City proposes making polluting businesses that are currently in Logan move in 15 years.
- 😊 Our Ask: Make current polluting businesses move out of Barrio Logan after 7 years, instead of 15 years. Logan residents should not have to wait 15 years to breathe cleaner air. A child born today would breathe the highest levels of diesel pollution in the state until they are a teenager.

**Polluters have no place next to
homes, schools, and parks!**

Polluters No! Housing Si!

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