Welcome! We will start shortly.

Urban Forest Plan Implementation Working Group Informational Session

Agenda

1. City staff introductions
2. Review of UFP goals, key implementation actions, and implementation progress
3. Review of UFPIWG role, proposed community guidelines, expectations, application process, and timeline
4. Q&A
5. Wrap up, next steps

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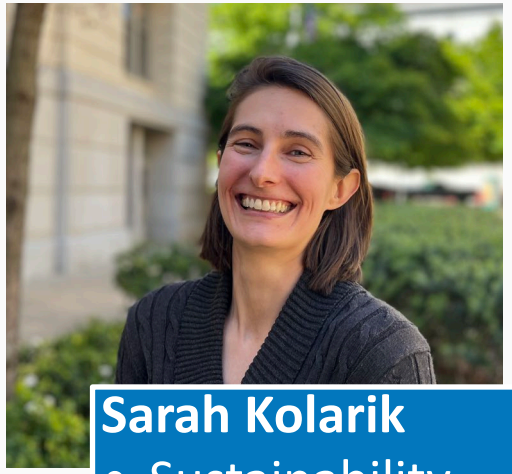
Urban Forest Plan Implementation Working Group

Informational Session

Staff Introductions
Climate Action and Sustainability Team



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- Sustainability Analyst



Minaya Valentine
- CivicSpark Fellow

Key City of Sacramento Staff



- Department of Public Works
  - Urban Forestry
  - Mobility and Sustainability*
  - Transportation
- Department of Youth, Parks, and Community Enrichment (YPCE)
- Department of Utilities
- Community Development Department

Agenda



1. SUFP goals, implementation actions, and progress
2. SUFP IWG introduction, guidelines, and expectations
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Sacramento Urban Forest Plan Recap

Sacramento Urban Forest Plan (SUFP)

The City's primary planning tool for **the protection, expansion, maintenance, sustainability, and enhancement of Sacramento's urban forest.**



The City of Sacramento encompasses 99.7 square miles.

As of 2018, 19 square miles (19.1%) were shaded by tree canopy.



35% canopy goal by 2045



The CAAP identifies 25% canopy by 2030 and 35% canopy by 2045 as the target canopy cover for Sacramento.



To reach the 35% canopy goal by 2045, an estimated **540,000 additional trees** need to be planted—about 25,000 per year—while maintaining existing canopy levels.

Key Recommendations



Plan for Trees



City of Trees for All



Protect Trees



Invest in Canopy

Policy and Program Framework



17 Implementation Strategies & 53 Actions



SUFP Implementation Progress

Since June 2025:



City has planted 1,555 trees



Collaboration with Sacramento County



Streets for People Active Transportation Plan



Street Design Standards Amendment



Tree Planting Requirements in Housing

SUFP Implementation Working Group Overview

Urban Forest Plan Implementation Working Group

- The Working Group will serve as a **collaborative forum** where community members and City staff work together to advance implementation of the Sacramento Urban Forest Plan.

- Working Group members are encouraged to bring their unique experiences, skills, and community connections to discussions and activities.

- Decisions related to administration, meeting logistics, City policies, programs, projects, and budgets remain the responsibility of the City and will be made through established City processes.

Membership and Expectations

- The Working Group will have no more than 30 members at a given time, including up to 10 City staff and 20 members of the public.
    - Public members will be selected to create a diverse and representative group that reflects the Sacramento community and tree care-holders. Considerations may include technical expertise, geographic representation, organization affiliation, and lived experience.
- Members will serve a 2-year term and must reapply every 2 years.
- Working Group members will not receive compensation for their participation.

Membership*

- Sacramento residents from across the City
- Community-based organizations
- Neighborhood leaders
- Environmental advocates
- Business representatives
- Industry professionals
- Agency partners
- Technical experts
- Youth (must be 16 with parent/guardian permission)

*This list is non-exhaustive, and we encourage applications from folks with a wide range of perspectives, lived experiences, personal passions, professional backgrounds, and technical expertise to apply and help shape the future of our urban forest.

Member Responsibilities

- Expected to attend meetings, quarterly or as-needed.
- Expected to come to meetings prepared to participate fully, including reviewing any materials distributed in advance.
- Members who can no longer actively participate in the Working Group must inform the City.

Q&A

Next Steps

- Member application will be open TODAY - Dec 31.
- Sign up for the UFP newsletter to stay up to date.
- The first UFPIWG meeting will take place early 2027.

UFP IWG Application:

Thanks!

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UFP IWG Application: