



American Planning Association  
**Sustainable Communities Division**

## **FY 2022-23 Work Plan**

### **Vision**

Empowered planners creating sustainable, resilient, and equitable communities.

### **Mission**

The Sustainable Communities Division provides resources, information, and best practices to support planners in creating sustainable, resilient, and equitable communities. Through its forums for dialogue, collaboration, advocacy and professional development, the SCD engages planners in innovatively addressing the evolving ecological, social, and economic factors that shape our communities.

### **Priority Objectives**

#### **1. PEOPLE**

- a. Actively engage and empower our membership
- b. Increase and diversify our volunteer base
- c. Mentor students and emerging professionals to create new leaders

#### **2. EDUCATION**

- a. Build on, expand and diversify SCD's educational offerings
- b. Spur action by providing relevant content to address timely issues
- c. Maximize the channels through which we communicate

#### **3. LEADERSHIP**

- a. Elevate our resilience and climate action leadership
- b. Interweave equity into all programs and initiatives

#### **4. PARTNERSHIP**

- a. Foster partnerships with outside organizations and other divisions to amplify outreach and influence

**OVERVIEW:** *The SCD Work Plan for FY 2022-23 features continued:*

- *Educational and professional development programming for professionals at all planning career stages,*
- *Support for strategic partnerships, membership engagement, and student and emerging professionals,*
- *Commitment to the Climate Champions Program and associated tool development,*
- *Involvement in leadership and policymaking activity with APA National, and*
- *Yearly support for collaboration, learning and networking at the APA National Planning Conference.*

***New This Year:*** *The Division will prioritize **integration of equity considerations into all programming and operations**, and exercise leadership towards fostering diversity in the sustainability planning field as well as cultivating an in-house volunteer role dedicated to directing these various activities.*

*Having invested some surplus funds into educational opportunities for members during FY22, SCD will now **direct special project funds toward social equity initiatives in FY23** (notably to our new EDI tuition assistance and NPC attendance grants, and with our APA foundation donation). Meanwhile, we will work on increasing our budgetary capacity to meet strategic objectives ultimately through annual revenue rather than by relying on surplus. To do so, we will **revisit and refresh our practices for member and sponsor recruitment and streamline our expenses.***

## **WORK PLAN KEY**

### **Action Areas**

**A. Executive Leadership**

**B. Education**

**C. Communications**

**D. Students and Emerging Professionals**

**E. Legislative and Policy Leadership**

**F. National Planning Conference**

**G. Membership and Partnerships**

## Corresponding Annual Budget Expense Areas

<b>OP</b>	Ongoing Program
<b>NI</b>	New Initiative
<b>EC</b>	Executive Committee
<b>CMA</b>	Communications, Marketing and Administration
<b>NPC</b>	NPC and Annual Business Meeting, Reception and Awards
<b>T</b>	Travel Expenses: Elected Division Leaders
<b>EP</b>	Education & Practice
<b>LP</b>	Leadership & Policy
<b>SG</b>	Scholarships & Grants
<b>SP</b>	Strategic Plan Special Projects

	Action	Timeframe	Leadership	Climate/Equity	Goals/Objectives				Budget Expense Area
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<b>A</b>	<b>Executive Leadership</b>								
	<b>General</b>								
<b>A1</b> (OP)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Fill open EC committee roles to ensure smooth transitions and no interruptions or gaps</li> <li>▪ Foster a culture of second-in-command for all EC leadership to ensure backup and successful transition</li> </ul>	1 <sup>st</sup> Quarter	SCD Chair and EC members		1a 1b				CMA \$0
<b>A2</b> (OP)	<b>Continue to prepare an annual report and budget in accordance with APA deadlines</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Put together annual report and budget</li> <li>▪ Maintain an updated budget and budget forecast to be presented at all EC meetings</li> <li>▪ Shift underutilized funds to support strategic objectives</li> </ul>	November. Annually; monthly	Chair, Secretary-Treasurer, Cmte. Chairs	Highlight climate and equity accomplishments	1a				CMA \$0
<b>A3</b> (NI)	<b>Recruit an EC member to focus on ensuring equity in all SCD programs and operations</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Determine next steps actions steps</li> </ul>	1 <sup>st</sup> Quarter	New position	Will be used to significantly influence all of SCD's activities on equity	1a 1b	2a 2b	3b		CMA \$0
<b>A4</b> (OP)	<b>Increase sponsorship revenue and increase touch points with current sponsors.</b>	Ongoing	Secretary-Treasurer	Share climate and equity goals	1a	2a	3a 3b		CMA, EP \$0

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Continue the highly successful annual sponsorship program by asking sponsors to renew and recruiting new sponsors</li> <li>▪ Grow our sponsorship numbers and increase touch points with our sponsors requesting information / content on a monthly basis</li> <li>▪ Send out an automated monthly email to all sponsor contacts</li> <li>▪ Engage sponsors through an annual video call, opportunities to contribute to webinars and sustainability content development</li> <li>▪ Increase sponsorships for graduate planning programs</li> <li>▪ Solicit recommendations from existing sponsors re: additional sponsors who may share our vision and mission objectives</li> <li>▪ Develop a broader group of volunteers to reach out and solicit sponsors</li> </ul>		Com. Chair	with sponsors and get feedback					
A5 (NI)	<p><b>Consider identifying and campaigning for special project-based sponsorship/grant opportunities.</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Working in partnership the Legislative and Policy Committee and sponsors, try to identify and request potential special sponsorship monies for special, more labor intensive special projects (e.g., Nitsch’s Greenworks Lawrence street tree video)</li> </ul>	Ongoing	Secretary-Treasurer L&PC Chair	Opportunity to focus on climate and equity projects	1a 1b	2a 2b			LP, SP \$0
A6 (OP)	<p><b>Continue to hold monthly videoconference Executive Committee Meetings</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Hold a monthly EC meeting, and increase frequency as needed for special initiatives or events such as the NPC</li> <li>▪ Develop and schedule monthly meetings at the beginning of the year by the Secretary-Treasurer</li> <li>▪ Transition meeting framework to be</li> </ul>	Agenda request one week prior meeting  Agenda formulation by Chair / Secretary-	Chair  Secretary-Treasurer  Committee Chairs	Connection would have to be topic based	1a				CMA Line 12 \$1,300

	<p>coordination/issues based with focused discussion</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Optimize use of the task management system by Exec. Cmte. and committee chairs</li> <li>Create a succession plan for committees by recruiting co-chairs or assistance for chairs</li> </ul>	<p>Treasurer</p> <p>Agenda out Friday before meeting</p>						
<b>A7</b> (NI)	<p><b>Continue to enhance the virtual interactive annual business meeting.</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Hosting the required annual business meeting to discuss annual budget and work program.</li> <li>Make it more interactive.</li> <li>Include recording and posting for post-event viewing.</li> </ul>	<p>Once yearly</p>	<p>Chair Elect or Past Chair, whichever is applicable</p> <p>Exec. Lead.</p>	<p>Connection would have to be topic based</p>	1a	2a 2b 2c		<p>CMA Line 19 \$100</p>
<b>A8</b> (NP)	<p><b>Continue to formalize the process to nominate division members for FAICP recognition</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The FAICP nomination process runs on two-year cycles; next applications due Oct. 2023</li> <li>The purpose would be to strengthen our depth and success of nominating new FAICP applicants from our division membership</li> <li>Develop an FAICP nomination policy / guideline to help determine who will we expend efforts to nominate; one requirement would be to participate as future nomination mentors</li> <li>Coordinate a group of past division-approved FAICP members to help identify nominees and mentor applicants</li> </ul>	<p>Sub-group organized Jan. of every other year</p> <p>Internal nominations by Mar.</p> <p>Submission to APA Oct.</p>	<p>Chair or Past Chair</p>	<p>Consider / prioritize nominations which fit within our climate / equity focus</p>	1a 1b	2c		<p>SG Line 39 \$0</p>
<b>A9</b> (OP)	<p><b>Develop An EC sub-group to guide elections.</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Foster a culture where the two elected positions are grooming for their replacements during their tenure.</li> <li>Identify and reach out to potential candidates for election as Chair and Secretary/Treasurer</li> <li>Call for nominations to the membership in accordance with APA's election cycle; must alert to the 4-year commitment</li> </ul>	<p>Initiated by Chair every year as per APA election cycle</p>	<p>Chair, Secretary-Treasurer, Pasts</p> <p>Comm. Chair</p>		1a			<p>CMA \$0</p>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Stagger Chair and Secretary-Elect elections so that the positions are filed on alternate years, to assure continuity of leadership; this will require an election cycle every year</li> <li>Develop a sub-committee of EC leadership to review nominations and select top two candidates</li> <li>Candidates cannot serve on the election committee</li> </ul>								
<b>A10</b> (OP)	<p><b>Proactively identify and submit for the annual Divisions Council Awards cycle.</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Discuss and submit entries for DC annual awards no later than Oct. EC meeting</li> <li>Determine a minimum of two potential award-winning entries</li> <li>Coordinate w/ Cmte. Chairs to draft applications</li> </ul>	<p>Identify awards opportunities Oct. annually Dec. submittal</p>	<p>Chair Cmte. Chairs drafting</p>						CMA, LP \$0
<b>A11</b> (NP)	<p><b>Coordinate with the EC / Legislative &amp; Policy Committee to identify potential granted funded needs</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Dependent on revenue and funds available, offer grants for special initiatives/projects, especially those that focus on climate change and/or equitable communities</li> <li>Consider reaching out to sponsors to see if there are vision/mission-related content/tools they could develop</li> </ul>	<p>As part of the annual report / annual work program development process</p>	<p>Chair Secretary-Treasurer L&amp;PC Chair</p>	<p>Consider / prioritize initiatives which fit within SCD climate / equity focus</p>	1a 1b	2a 2b	3a	4a	<p>SG Line s 34, 36, 38 \$3,300</p>
<b>A12</b> (OP)	<p><b>Continue to offer travel stipends/grants for ensuring active volunteering excellence</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Proactively identify volunteers from the EC with need, and who should be acknowledged for an outstanding year of volunteering excellence</li> <li>Continue to offer annual meeting travel reimbursement to the Division Chair or Secretary Treasurer, as needed</li> </ul>	<p>Prior to early registration</p>	<p>Division Chair / Secretary-Treasurer</p>		1a 1b 1c				<p>SG Lines 22, 30 \$2,900</p>

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<b>B</b>	<b>Education</b>								
<b>B1</b> (OP)	<b>General</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Orient and coordinate with new co-chair or assistant to this committee</li> </ul>	In progress	SCD Chair and Education Chair		1 b				CMA \$0
<b>B2</b> (OP)	<b>Continue and expand our outstanding annual Excellence in Sustainability Awards.</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Examine awards categories to see how to integrate climate change and equity criteria</li> <li>Develop an advertisement action plan to increase notification of awards, including to allied professionals</li> <li>Continue to acknowledge award winners through individual and a combined awards video; awards video can be cross-presented at the annual NPC reception and in post-reception social media posts, e-bulletin, website, etc.</li> <li>Refine application requirements to better receive content for placing into future award videos</li> </ul>	2023 awards cycle	Education Chair	Potentially add criteria regarding effect on climate change and equity considerations	1a	2a 2b 2c	3a 3b	4a	NPC Lines 16, 17, 20 and 21 \$4,250
<b>B3</b> (OP)	<b>Continue and expand our online webinar program.</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Develop a list of potential topics and target outreach for 1 division webinar every other month</li> <li>Consider developing a set schedule of opportunities (e.g., the 3<sup>rd</sup> Friday of each month)</li> <li>Coordinate with division sponsors re: potentially presenting a SCD vision-related webinar (and not a marketing pitch) during a session</li> </ul>	Schedule by Dec. 2022; start targeting outreach by Jan. 2023 for 2023 webinar series	Education Chair w/ support from Communications, Secretary-Treasurer, CC leadership, the CM credit subgroup, and division sponsors	Target at least half of our webinars to focus on climate change and/or equity	1a 1 b 1c	2a 2b 2c	3a 3b	4a	CMA, EP Lines 11, 12, and 24 \$2,850

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Coordinate w/ the CCP to identify potential climate-related topics and speakers</li> <li>Coordinate w/ the Sustainability &amp; Resilience Series cmte. To collaborate on sustainability-resilience related webinars which meet APA's new CM credit guidelines</li> <li>Identify additional opportunities for co-sponsored webinars (e.g., USGBC's LEED for Cities webinars)</li> <li>Explore collaboration with APA Learn to offer revenue generating webinars</li> <li>Continue to participate in offering at least one annual webinar to the Planner Webcast Series managed by the Ohio Chapter of APA</li> </ul>								
<b>B4</b> (NI)	<p><b>Continue to hold an annual virtual Sustainable Communities Symposium or Mini-Conference</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Hold an annual virtual ½ to 1-day Sustainable Communities Symposium</li> <li>Provide presentations for use by other chapters and divisions</li> <li>Ensure that website and contact information for SCD is on each webinar</li> </ul>	2 <sup>nd</sup> Quarter	Expand sub-cmte as needed to support	Target at least half of our webinars to focus on climate change and/or equity		2a 2b 2c	3a 3b	4a	CMA, EP \$0

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<b>C</b>	<b>Communications</b>								
<b>C1</b> (OP)	<p><b>General</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Identify and add the appropriate direct division email addresses (e.g., communications@apascd.com; webinars@apascd.com, etc.)</li> <li>Broadcast our division vision, mission,</li> </ul>	Ongoing	Communications Chair and sub-group	Reinforces climate and equity messages					CMA Line 11 \$1,400



	<p>initiatives, and publications (e.g., Climate Change Policy Guide, social equity statement, etc.) through all division media</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Expand volunteer base to support capacity</li> </ul>								
<b>C2</b> (NI)	<p><b>Continue to foster a dynamic SCD website.</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Complete all elements of new website</li> <li>Advertise new website to members</li> <li>Continually maintain website so that content is fresh and relevant</li> </ul>	1 <sup>st</sup> Quarter	Communications Chair; support by all EC leadership	Offers an opportunity to house our climate-related repository of information		2b 2c	3a		CMA Line 12 \$1,300
<b>C3</b> (OP)	<p><b>Continue to refine and refresh SCD e-bulletin to expand relevancy and readership</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Continue to publish a bi-weekly informative e-bulletin</li> <li>Identify opportunities to engage the membership in developing and posting original content on vision-related topics</li> <li>Advertise SCD social events, happy hours, calls for Op-eds and blog posts</li> <li>Coordinate w/ Student &amp; Emerging Professional Chairs to identify potential SEP content</li> </ul>	Ongoing	Communications Chair and sub-group	Focus more content that furthers climate change and equity goals	1a 1 b	2b 2c	3a	4 a	CMA Line 11 \$1,400
<b>C4</b> (OP)	<p><b>Periodically update template “Welcome to SCD” welcome letter and target new membership monthly.</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Give new members an immediate touch point to the division and point them to all of our more frequent forms of communication (e-bulletin, social media, website, etc.)</li> <li>Continue to separately welcome new students and regular members, coordinating with the Membership and Student &amp; Emerging Professionals Cmtes</li> </ul>	Ongoing monthly	Communications Chair and sub-group, Membership Cmte, S&EP Cmte	Include information about our focus on climate change and equity	1a	2a 2b 2c		4 a	CMA Line 11 \$1,400

<p><b>C5</b> (NI)</p>	<p><b>Periodically update SCD's Social Media Posting Guidelines identifying the division's expectations for third-party posting on SCD's social media platforms.</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Increase the member participation in SCD's social media platforms, but provide a mechanism to remove users which do not comply with our minimum requirements for division-related content</li> <li>▪ Regularly post requests for member participation in SCD's social media platforms provided it meets SCD's Social Media Posting Guidelines</li> <li>▪ Regularly monitor SCD social media platforms to ensure third-party compliance with SCD's Social Media Posting Guidelines</li> </ul>	<p>Ongoing</p>	<p>Communication Chair; Social Media Volunteer</p>	<p>Focus more content that furthers climate change and equity goals</p>	<p>1a 1 b</p>	<p>2b 2c</p>		<p>4 a</p>	<p>CMA \$0</p>
<p><b>C6</b> (NI)</p>	<p><b>Expand SCD's social media presence targeting vision-relevant content.</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Assure volunteer position assigned to regularly post and/or create events on SCD's social media platforms in order to build our constituency</li> <li>▪ Coordinate w/ CCs to have them post vision-related content to our social media accounts (this is a requirement in their new minimum requirements)</li> <li>▪ Target division sponsors to post division-relevant content to our social media accounts</li> <li>▪ Recommend that all EC leadership pass along one social media post each month. Track and report on social media engagement during monthly EC calls</li> </ul>	<p>Ongoing</p>	<p>Communication Chair; Social Media Volunteer; membership</p>	<p>Focus more content that furthers climate change and equity goals</p>	<p>1a 1 b</p>	<p>2b 2c</p>		<p>4 a</p>	<p>CMA \$0</p>

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<b>D</b>	<b>Students and Emerging Professionals</b>								
<b>D1</b> (NI)	<b>General</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Ensure there are always at least 2 co-chairs for this committee, 1 student and 1 emerging professional</li> <li>Expand committee as needed for capacity</li> </ul>	Committee			1a 1b 1c				CMA \$0
<b>D2</b> (OP)	<b>Develop a quarterly lunchtime (or evening) professional speaker series</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Identifying a minimum of four sustainability-related professionals who would do a ½ hour webinar presentation about their sustainability-related job, what they do, how they got there, what skills they need, etc.</li> <li>Student Leader to coordinate and moderate the sessions. Participants would ask questions of the professional.</li> <li>Student Leader to follow up the speaker series/happy hour with a brief professional highlight for the e-bulletin.</li> </ul>	Feb. 1, May 1, Aug. 1, Oct. 1	Student Leader	2 of the 4 quarterly professional speakers could be working directly on climate action; addressing equity could be asked of all professional speakers	1a 1b 1c	2a 2b 2c	3a 3b		EP No budget should be needed, but small gift card (\$50) / thank you card might be considered
<b>D3</b> (OP)	<b>Coordinate a student happy hour with each university sponsor (currently at two).</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Include university participation, yet broadly advertise to all of SCD's student membership.</li> <li>Introduce the division; answer questions; solicit volunteers</li> </ul>	Fall; in coordination with both university programs	Student Leader		1a 1b 1c			4a	CMA \$0
<b>D4</b> (OP)	<b>Develop and administer conference grants to remove barriers to attending the NPC and other partner organization conferences.</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Broadly advertise student scholarships to remove a financial barrier for attending the NPC</li> </ul>	Initiated in Dec.; awarded in Jan. prior to early registration deadline for NPC	Emerging Professionals Leader	A potential application question could relate to how they plan to address climate change and/or equity in their careers. Lottery for member	1a 1c		3a		SG Line 32 \$200

				grants.					
<b>D5</b> (OP)	<b>Administer an annual student / emerging professionals membership survey.</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Identify programming and needs for the upcoming academic year</li> <li>Solicit new volunteers including a new volunteer leader</li> <li>Partner w/ sponsoring universities to disseminate survey</li> </ul>	Administer at the end of Sept.	Student & Emerging Professional Leaders		1a 1b 1c	2c		4a	CMA \$0
<b>D6</b> (OP)	<b>Coordinate a student and emerging professionals Coffee Meet &amp; Greet (or other engagement) at NPC.</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Work w/ Communications to broadly advertise prior to the NPC early registration deadline and leading up to conference</li> </ul>	Plan during Fall; advertise by early Jan.	Student & Emerging Professional Leaders		1a 1b 1c	2c			CMA \$0
<b>D7</b> (NI)	<b>Administer a survey to SCD employers/working professionals to identify sustainability-related career opportunities, minimum qualifications, and preferred new graduate attributes.</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>This includes a broadly advertised survey to employers/working professionals in SCDs network followed by the development of a student-targeted white paper to help them better prepare for graduation.</li> </ul>	Summer	Student & Emerging Professional Leaders in coordination w/ Communication s Chair		1c	2a 2b 2c	3b	4a	CMA \$0
<b>D8</b> (NI)	<b>Establish and administer a 1-year mentoring program for students and emerging professionals</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Host a call for mentors and mentees</li> <li>Match up mentors with mentees</li> <li>Host a kick-off meeting to set expectations</li> <li>Host a lessons learned discussion at the end</li> </ul>	1 <sup>st</sup> Quarter	Student & Emerging Professional Leaders in coordination w/EC (?)	Communicate our focus on climate and equity	1a 1c	2c		4a	CMA \$0

<b>D9</b>	<b>Support equity, diversity and inclusion in the</b>	1 <sup>st</sup> and 2 <sup>nd</sup>	Student &	Support EDI	1c	2a	3b		LP
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(NI)	<p><b>sustainability planning field.</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Establish and administer a renewable, 1-year tuition assistance grant supporting EDI in professional education</li> <li>Continue to support the APA Foundations scholarship fund with an annual donation</li> <li>Offer an NPC attendance grant, and possibly a travel stipend, to one of more EDI-qualifying SCD members; develop screening process.</li> <li>Consider sponsoring EC individual membership to targeted, demographically-based divisions to expand network</li> </ul>	Quarters	Emerging Professional Leaders in coordination w/EC						Lines 34, 36, 38 \$3,300
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<b>E</b>	<b>Legislative and Policy Leadership</b>								
<b>E1</b> (OP)	<p><b>General</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Discuss renaming this committee to Policy Leadership Committee.</li> <li>Examine need to recruit a co-chair.</li> </ul>								LP \$0
<b>E2</b> (OP)	<p><b>Support the Climate Champions Program</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Promote champions program to expand to all 50 states/chapters</li> <li>Expand and hold accountable new requirements to be a champion, including participation in a monthly meeting, posting mission-related content to SCD's social media platforms, hosting collaborative regional roundtable discussions, developing one piece of content annually, submitting a conference proposal, contributing to SCD climate-policy research and policy initiatives</li> <li>Champion Chair(s) to participate in monthly Exec. Cmte. meeting and facilitate the Champions' monthly meeting.</li> </ul>	<p>Monthly meetings</p> <p>Quarterly roundtable regional discussions</p> <p>Conference activities</p>	Champions Program Chair(s)	This entire framework promotes our climate objectives and should target focus on ensuring climate equity outcomes	1a 1b	2a 2b 2c	3a 3b	4a	LP Line 28 \$3,000

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Chairs develop an annual schedule to solicit the above specified information from the Champions and coordinate w/ Communications and other committees to disseminate</li> <li>Continue to foster a partnership with GPI and the SSN to extend the reach of this program, develop necessary tools with funding partnership of other division or chapter partners</li> </ul>								
E3 (OP)	<p><b>Continue to take a lead role in APA Climate Policy Initiatives</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Disseminate the Climate Change PAS Report and APA Climate Change Policy Guide</li> <li>Sustainability/Resilience CM Credit</li> <li>Nature-based solutions Peer to Peer Network (can be related to climate priority focus)</li> <li>Smart Cities &amp; Sustainability (can be tied to climate priority focus), Planning 2050, etc..</li> </ul>								LP Line 29 \$200
E4 (NI)	<p><b>Formalize the long-standing strategic partnership with APA's Smart Cities Interest Group (SCIG) to continue to promote how smart cities and technology will help to advance our core focus on creating sustainable, resilient, and equitable communities.</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Maintain a position on SCD's Exec. Cmte. for the Chair (or key liaison) of the SCIG</li> <li>SCIG Chair to participate in the monthly Exec. Ctme. meeting and facilitate the SCIG monthly meeting.</li> <li>Incorporate all of the SCIG's administrative back-end functions into SCD's framework, including Mailchimp, website, social media, surveys, webinars, etc.</li> <li>Lead the efforts to update APA's KnowledgeBase on Smart Cities</li> <li>Support the Student Design Competition with a grant</li> </ul>	Outreach to division membership to promote partnership, announce the SCIG Action Plan, and recruit new IG members	Smart Cities Chair	Request that the SCIG create opportunities to target a climate and equity focus and content to help promote SCD's core policy initiatives	1a 1b 1c	2a 2b 2c	3a 3b	4a	CMA, LP \$0





<b>F1</b> (OP)	<b>General</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Finalize all NPC event details with enough time for advertising in all APA materials prior to early registration</li> <li>▪ Develop a calendar of all SCD activities during NPC</li> </ul>	January 2023			1a 1 b	2b 2c	3a	4a	NPC \$0
<b>F2</b> (OP)	<b>Continue to prioritize an excellent annual event at NPC while maximizing partnership and sponsorships to manage cost and promote collaboration</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Organize the annual SCD event, reception and awards ceremony in partnership with other divisions and chapters to share costs and responsibilities</li> <li>▪ Attempt to recruit one student representative to support NPC student events and outreach</li> <li>▪ Coordinate with Awards committee re: the programming (i.e., video compilation) for the awards presentation</li> <li>▪ Continue to prioritize a great party and networking event; consider additional opportunities to make the event more interactive (could be an opportunity to incorporate focus on our core issues: climate change and equity)</li> </ul>	Start planning following year's NPC by Jul. 1; recruit volunteers from membership  Finalize details by end of Sept.	New NPC Chair; student volunteer  Communications Chair  Awards Chair	Potential integration via video content	1a 1 b 1c	2a 2b 2c	3a 3b	4a	NPC Line 15, 16, 18 \$14,300
<b>F3</b> (OP)	<b>Establish a process to recruit and select division-endorsed sessions at the NPC</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Work with Communications to recruit vision/mission-related sessions prior to and during the APA open application period. This involves sending out information and requests to the membership and sponsors</li> <li>▪ Identify a small group of volunteers to vote on</li> </ul>	Recruit endorsed sessions prior to and during session submittal period	NPC Chair	Calls for endorsed sessions could include a request for sessions related to climate and	1a 1 b	2a 2b 2c	3a 3b	4a	NPC \$0

	<p>which sessions meet SCD's mission/vision and level of quality to endorse</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Develop a SCD Endorsed Logo and informational slide (marketing our division) which should be requested to be placed as part of the opening announcements of the session.</li> <li>Divide up the volunteers to have participation at each session</li> <li>Work with Communications to advertise the endorsed sessions during early registration, just prior to the conference, and daily during the conference</li> </ul>	Review and select sessions in accordance with APA schedule		equity					
F4 (NI)	<p><b>Expand our digital presence at NPC.</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Expand our real-time (and post) reach/influence regarding SCD functions, sessions, and events during NPC.</li> <li>Recruit a suitable individual from our membership to volunteer to create a photographic and video record of SCD activities at the conference</li> <li>Coordinate directly with Communications for posting and/or livestreaming</li> <li>Pull together post-conference 1-2 minute video compilation</li> </ul>	<p>Identify person Quarter 1 or 2</p> <p>During all SCD events at NPC</p>	New NPC Chair	Interviews of people at events could involve questions related to climate and equity	1a 1 b	2a 2b 2c			NPC \$0
F5 (NI)	<p><b>Utilize SCD's annual business meeting to foster division-focused interactive future leader development.</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Plan a topic-focused interactive discussion with both professionals and students.</li> <li>Have presentation on a topic and then small group facilitated discussions and report outs. Could be cross purposed to engage students rather than the coffee meet and greet.</li> <li>Collaborate with other divisions with similar purposes (e.g., ENRE) or to engage a targeted division to further flesh out a specific topic</li> </ul>	<p>Schedule annual business meeting to secure room</p> <p>Cross advertise at an interactive facilitated discussion</p>	<p>New NPC Chair; student volunteer</p> <p>Legislative and Policy Chair</p>	Interactive small group discussions could be related to climate / equity	1a 1 b	2a 2b 2c	3a 3b	4a	NPC \$0

	(e.g., invite Housing Division to brainstorm on what changes are needed to housing to respond to the climate crisis								
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Summarize results from conference and compile and disseminate to our membership</li> </ul>								

	Action	Timeframe	Leadership	Climate/ Equity	Goals/Objectives				Budget Expense Area
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<b>G</b>	<b>Membership and Partnerships</b>								
<b>G1 (OP)</b>	<b>General</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Expand the Membership committee as needed to grow and diversify our membership</li> </ul>	Ongoing	EC Chair, Membership Chair	Communicate our focus on climate and equity	1b		3a 3b	4a	CMA \$0
<b>G2 (OP)</b>	<b>Recruit new SCD members</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Think “outside the box” and coordinate with EDI efforts to attract new members, increase membership dues revenue</li> <li>Hold a bi-annual “call for members” through our communications channels</li> <li>Identify co-recruitment opportunities with other divisions and chapters</li> <li>Identify opportunities to recruit from graduate planning programs</li> <li>Host a quarterly “Coffee with SCD” zoom call for members to provide updates and get input</li> </ul>	Quarterly	SCD Chair, M&P Chair, CC	Communicate our focus on climate and equity	1a 1b 1c		4a	CMA \$0	
<b>G3 (OP)</b>	<b>Conduct annual member survey</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Develop and solicit input from our memberships</li> <li>Work collaboratively the Communications Chair and EC subcommittee Chairs to solicit annual and periodic input from our memberships (dues paying, students, e-bulletin subscribers, special events, etc.)</li> </ul>	Annual	M&P Chair, CC	Integrate survey questions about climate and equity			4a	CMA \$0	

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Analyze all membership surveys and trends from year to year.</li> </ul>								
<b>G4</b> (NI)	<p><b>Volunteer Coordination</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Create a list of volunteer opportunities</li> <li>▪ Call for volunteers through our communication channels on an as-needed basis</li> <li>▪ Explore developing a volunteer handbook</li> </ul>	Monthly	Chair, M&P chair, CC	Communicate our focus on climate and equity				4a	CMA \$0
<b>G5</b> (OP)	<p><b>Partnerships</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Establish or reinforce partnerships with like-minded organizations especially those focused on climate change <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ USGBC, EcoDistricts, ACCO, Council on Open Building, Living Futures, AIA Team on Climate Action, Others?</li> </ul> </li> <li>• Establish strategic partnerships with groups focused on equity and racial justice including the Planning and the Black Community Division</li> <li>• Partner with other APA divisions and Chapters <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Invite a guest from other divisions and chapters to join EC monthly calls during the last 10-15 minutes to make connections and share info</li> <li>○ Co-sponsor each other's groups and programs</li> <li>○ Consider sponsoring EC individual membership to targeted, demographically-based divisions to expand network</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	Monthly	M&P Chair	Communicate our focus on climate and equity				4a	CMA, LP \$0