

# Environment

Strategies	Community Change	2020 Goal
Increase resident knowledge of environmental issues and meaningful engagement in decision-making.	<i>(Overarching strategies that impact all changes)</i>	South Kern has a safe and healthy environment with clean air, water, and land.
Support resident-led and community-based efforts to identify, monitor, report, and address environmental issues or hazards.		
Support residents, partners, and decision-makers in advocating for policies and practices that will make our environment cleaner and safer.		
Provide technical assistance to public agencies.		
Work with residents and local government to develop and implement land-use/transportation plans that promote environmental friendly forms of transportation.	Residents and decision-makers are supported in developing and implementing equitable land-use/transportation policies.	
Identify and assist with securing funding to improve local infrastructure and increase equitable development.		
Monitor the use and impacts of public investments to inform advocacy.		
Decrease local pesticide contamination through expansion of buffer zones and increased enforcement/monitoring.	Air quality is improved through reducing air pollution from local pollution sources.	
Support changes to local and regional food systems that will decrease air pollution and pesticide use.		
Work with local public utilities to improve water infrastructure both interim and long-term.	Communities and residents have safe drinkable water.	
Monitor water quality to address and prevent contamination.		