

## MEMO

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SUBJECT: Planners4Health California Initiative update

Per your request, this outline provides you with a brief activity overview regarding APA California's Planners4Health Initiative in the past 12 months:

- 1. On June 28, 2019, the **LA section** organized its inaugural Plan4Health convening entitled Planning for Public Health: Taking Action Through Policy & Design. You can read a recap <u>here</u>.
- 2. On July 25, 2019 the **San Diego Section** organized the event entitled Plan4Health: Integrating Planning and Public Health where we Live, Learn, Work, and Play. You can read more about it <u>here</u>.
- 3. On August 13, 2019, the Northern Section began a series of conversations with the Bay Area Regional Health Inequities Initiative on their Healthy and Resilient Homes Leadership Program.
- 4. On October 29, 2019, the Inland Empire Section organized the SB1000 Forum and Roundtable. Learn more about it <u>here</u>.
- 5. On April 1, 2020, the Northern Section kicked off a statewide conversation on Planning and Public Health in the age of COVID-19. See the webinar materials <u>here</u>. Since then, this effort has turned into a regular series of webinars addressing topics that came out of that initial conversation:
  - a. On May 6, 2020, Transportation and Public Spaces were explored. Learn more <u>here</u>.
  - b. The next webinar is scheduled for June 11, 2020 to discuss issues related to homelessness and affordable housing. Learn more <u>here</u>.
- 6. We now have a <u>steering committee</u> and we are currently focusing our energies on organizing the COVID-19 webinars.
- 7. The **Northern Section** is currently conceptualizing their next event. The members involved are also considering folding that energy into a concurrent Planners4Health Conference that could take place during the APA California Conference. Information on this will be provided on a separate cover.
- 8. WHAT'S NEEDED:
  - a. We would like to request that Planners4Health is included under the one of the existing APA California Board's portfolio--Diversity and Inclusion seems to be the best fit.
  - b. Support at the Chapter level to continue to the deliver the content and opportunities the program has to offer to all of our members.