

# Environmental Health Pathway Overview



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## ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH PATHWAY

Environmental Health focuses on conditions in the environment that affect our health. Environmental factors, such as the physical living conditions, air and water quality, efficiency of waste removal, safety, and general environmental conditions play a role in determining who is most healthy. The Environmental Health Pathway addresses these determinants of health in an effort to prevent disease and create health-supportive environments where people can thrive.

## ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH PATHWAY GOAL

To create environments that promote healthy living and reduce the risk of disease, injury, and disability.

## STRATEGIES TO IMPROVE ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH

- Housing and nuisance code enforcement
- Idle-free campaigns
- Tobacco-free policies to include outdoor venues
- Recycling, composting, and tire collection
- Complete Streets
- Safe Routes to School
- Playground and Park Enhancements
- Sidewalks and Walking/Bicycling Paths
- Awareness of stormwater pollution prevention strategies
- Community education and engagement in environmental health strategies