

Partners for Places Project Lessons Report

Project Name: Equitable, Community-Driven Climate Justice Planning in Harris County

• Year Complete: 2024

• Local Government: Harris County, TX

• Local Foundation: Jacob and Terese Hershey Foundation

Project Purpose

Climate justice planning in Harris County aimed to co-create local, implementable solutions with frontline residents who have been most impacted by climate hazards and disasters.

Key Lessons Learned

- 1. Buy-in from local government leadership is essential to allow community engagement to organically take shape.
- 2. Invest and integrate digestible and vibrant art into the community engagement process and community meetings.
- 3. True partnership amongst all parties requires regular check-ins and shared decision-making power.

Additional Information and Resources

Learn more about Harris County's Climate Justice Framework here.