Justice 40 Fact Sheet

US DOT is in the process of implementing the Justice 40 Initiative created by Executive Order 14008, Tackling the Climate Crisis at Home and Abroad. Justice 40 is an all of government approach that sets a goal of 40% of the benefits of certain federal investments flowing to disadvantaged communities. It is one of many initiatives US DOT is implementing to advance equity.

What Justice 40 means for the US Department of Transportation (US DOT)

Through Justice 40, US DOT will work to increase affordable transportation options that connect Americans to good-paying jobs, fight climate change, and improve access to resources and quality of life in communities.

Prioritize Investments

Measure Impact and Improve Effectiveness

Strengthen Communities

US DOT’s ETC Explorer is designed to complement CEQ’s Climate & Economic Justice Screening Tool (CEJST). The purpose of the ETC Explorer is to provide users a deeper understanding into how a community is experiencing transportation disadvantage to help ensure that the benefits of investments are addressing the transportation related causes of disadvantage.

Transportation Insecurity: Transportation insecurity is the condition in which people are unable to regularly and reliably satisfy the travel necessary to meet the needs of daily life.

Environmental Burden: measures factors such as pollution, hazardous facility exposure, water pollution and the built environment.

Social Vulnerability: Identifies populations that are at a higher risk due to certain social conditions.

Health Vulnerability: Prevalence of health conditions such as asthma, cancer, high blood pressure, diabetes, and poor mental health

Climate and Disaster Risk Burden: Current and future risks to an area from climate and natural disasters, based on potential losses from existing hazard exposure and vulnerability.

How is US DOT incorporating Justice 40?

Throughout its programs and policies, US DOT is:

- Developing a method to calculate benefits and burdens for its programs
- Incorporating components of Justice 40 into Notices of Funding Opportunities (NOFOs), guidance, and reporting requirements
- Providing additional Technical Assistance and support to disadvantaged communities
- Conducting program evaluation and improving equitable program design

Where do I direct people who have questions about Justice 40?

Questions can be sent to - Justice 40@dot.gov

Additional Resources - http://www.transportation.gov/equity-Justice40