Sample Worksheet: Cooling Our Communities – BRAINSTORM

Potential cooling strategies

Brainstorm a range of strategies that would cool communities. There are no bad ideas in brainstorming!

Approaches could include policy or plan amendments/updates, engineering/technical solutions, or neighborhood efforts. Strategies could be at the scale of a single development, a neighborhood, or all unincorporated areas.

As a group, pick **two** of the strategy ideas to develop further and share with the group. Use one blue worksheet per idea.

What is the cooling strategy idea?

How will this idea contribute to cooling? What are any co-benefits? *Co-benefit area may include health, environment, cost reduction, equity, or quality of life.*

What are the potential barriers? What affects feasibility? *Consider technical, economic, infrastructure, and political factors.*

What would it take to implement this idea in Alameda County? How would it happen? Would it be represented in policies or plans? (If so, you may want to note specific documents.)

How could you scale this idea or maximize impact? *Possibilities include expanding a pilot, expanding uptake or participation, and sharing the model.*

WHO can make this idea happen? Who could support or help? *Consider potential partners broadly: within and outside the County, in public and private sectors, and community stakeholders.*