

APPENDIX II: COMPARABLE INDICATORS (BY PCSD CATEGORY)**HEALTH AND THE ENVIRONMENT**

- Achievement of national goals for unhealthy behaviors
- Annual average fine particulate matter levels in air
- Average annual level of PM-10 (airborne particles)
- Average highest hourly ozone levels measured in parts per billion
- Infant deaths/low birth-weights per 1,000 live births
- Mass and frequency of combined sewer overflows
- Mass of pollutants in wastewater
- National Priorities List Sites per 1,000 sq. miles
- Number of children exposed to dangerous air
- Number of days the PSI is in the "Unhealthful" Range
- Number of good air quality days per year
- Number of hospital beds per 100,000 residents
- Percentage of children immunized by age two
- Percentage of infants born with low birth-weight
- Percentage of monitored water suitable for swimming and aquatic life
- Percentage of people with health care insurance
- Percent of pollutants removed from wastewater
- Percentage of monitored wells that exceed the health risk limit for nitrate
- Pounds of toxic chemicals released in the ground
- Physicians per 100,000 people
- Total death rate per 1,000 population

ECONOMIC PROSPERITY

- Amount of venture capital
- Average monthly over-the-counter food stamp issuances
- Average salary (adjusted for cost of living)
- Change in average home value since 1995
- Change in number of employees (5 yr)
- Change in total business establishments (5 yr)
- Construction jobs as a percent of total jobs
- Corporate R&D as share of sales
- Cost of living index
- Diversity index for metro areas
- Estimated travel & recreation oriented businesses
- Federal R&D at area universities
- Fortune 500 companies headquartered in the area
- Gross metropolitan product per worker
- Households (# and %) with incomes below the poverty level
- Housing affordability ratio
- Increase in number of jobs by sector in the region
- Labor force participation rate/people age 16-64 who are employed
- Median family income as a percentage of U.S. median family income
- Median price (3 bedroom home)
- New manufacturing jobs
- New residential and commercial construction (by county/region)/change in housing permits since 1995
- Number of area jobs
- Number of employed persons
- Number of new business starts (vs. business deaths)
- Number of new housing starts
- Occupied public housing units in the city
- Patents awarded per one million residents
- Per capita income
- Per capita retail sales
- Percent of children (or people) living in poverty
- Percent of CMSA's total retail sales in each city
- Percent of people who want to work full-time who actually work full-time
- Percentage net employment/job growth
- Percentage of employment concentrated in the top ten employers
- Percentage of people employed in area who live in the area
- Percentage of public school students receiving free-reduced lunches
- Percent of state's exports supplied by the region
- Percentage of total employment by industry
- Ratio of average regional real wages to average national real wages
- Ratio of employment growth to labor supply
- Ratio of private sector employment provided by small firms (<20 employees) vs. mid-large size firms (>20 employees)
- Recreation/Tourist related employment in lodging, restaurants, recreation services, and private campgrounds
- Regional unemployment rates
- Relative size of goods-producing and service-producing sectors
- Service sector wages relative to average private sector wages (index)
- Total annual sales per retail employee
- Vacancy rates for industrial/office space

EQUITY	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Crime in the central city per 100,000 residents • Estimated percentage of non-elderly population w/o health insurance coverage • Employment rate of people with disabilities who are able to work • Distribution of affordable housing • Home ownership rate disaggregated by ethnicity • Income earned by suburban residents per \$1.00 earned by central city residents • Minority and women owned firms as a percent of total • Number of city crimes per 100 suburban crimes 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Per capita income (by ethnicity and gender) • Percent of boards that are women relative to national average • Percent of population below the poverty line • Percent of population within walking distance of public transportation • Percentage of public school teachers who are African-American, American Indian, Asian-American, or Hispanic • Racial mix index • Range of median household incomes • Infant mortality rate disaggregated by ethnicity • Unemployed as a percent of total work force
CONSERVATION OF NATURE	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Acres of land per capita for a range of land uses (residential, commercial, open space, transportation, wilderness) and changes in land use • Land in federal, state and regional parks, forests and wildlife refuges • Land use (% residential, commercial, industrial, open space, vacant, etc.) • Miles of recreational trails 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Park & facility space (acres) per capita (1000 people) by district (within ¼ mile radius) • Park to land area ratio • Percent of the region which is developed • Persons per square mile • Public open space - # acres • Support for parks and recreation (\$) • Ten year change in regional household density • Total metro park acres per 1,000 population
STEWARDSHIP	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Average monthly tonnage from curbside recycling in city/pounds recycled per person per day • Landfilled solid waste – tons per year/pounds per person per day • Average ridership on city bus system • Average vehicle speed on highways (mph) • Energy usage – million mBTU's per year (total and per capita) • Gallons of water consumed per capita • Modes of transportation to work • Per capita transit ridership 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Percentage of solid waste recycled • Percent of water recycled • Recycled water use (gallons/million acre feet) • Renewable and nonrenewable energy (in BTUs) consumes per capita/percent of regional energy supplied from renewable sources within the state • Tons of solid waste generated and recycled per capita per year • Wastewater flows – million gallons per day • Water usage– gallons p/day/million acre feet p/yr
SUSTAINABLE COMMUNITIES	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Aggravated assaults per 100,000 population • Airline traffic at the metropolitan airport • Amount of food grown in state, food exports and food imports • Annual fixed-route miles traveled by bus system • Average work trip travel time • Central city as a percent of regional suburban per capita income • Change in city/county household population • Crime index per 100,000 population • Crimes per 100,000 people • DUI convictions per 100,000 population • Juvenile crime rate/apprehensions of children for violent and property crimes • Infant mortality rate (per 1,000 live births) • Local job growth relative to population growth 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Local wages as a percent of income • Median family income as a percent of median home value • Motor vehicle thefts per 100,000 population • Murders per 100,000 population • New privately owned housing units • Percent of revenue generated from local sources • Property crimes yearly per 100,000 people • Rapes per 100,000 population • Ratio of transit service km to total street km • Registered personal vehicles in County/region • Single-Parent households with children as a percent of all family households • Total dollars in public debt per capita • Motor vehicle traffic accidents per 100,000 pop • Total violent crime rate relative to state/nation • Vehicle miles traveled per capita (or per day)

<p>CIVIC ENGAGEMENT</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Large company giving per local employee • Number of governments per 100,000 population • Per capita of MSA giving to United Way • Percent of MSA population giving to United Way • Percent of population giving to charity and percent of income they give • Percentage of income tax filers who check the box to contribute \$5 to campaign financing 		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Percentage who volunteer at least 50 hrs/year to civic, community or nonprofit activities • Percentage of voting age pop. registered to vote • Ranking of the Top 50 Metropolitan areas giving to selected charities • Voter participation • Workforce employed in religious organizations per 1,000 population 	
<p>POPULATION</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Births to teenage mothers (relative to state/nation) • Dependent population (<18 and >65 years) • Percentage of all live births to mothers without 12 years of school completed 		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Percentage of all live births to unmarried mothers • Percentage of population over 65 • Persons per square mile • Teen pregnancy rate per 1,000 females age 10-17 • Total population (with annual growth/decline rate) 	
<p>INTERNATIONAL RESPONSIBILITY</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Amount of international assistance for sustainable development • Exports/transfers of cost-effective and environmentally sound technologies 		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • International passengers as percent of total (airline transportation) • Ratio of international University students • Research on global environmental problems • Value of merchandise exports from the region 	
<p>EDUCATION</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Adult literacy rate • Ave. teacher's salary in public schools • Enrollment at area community colleges • Expenditures on education per student (public) • Major cultural resources per 100,000 residents • Number of engineering graduates from local Univ. • Number of library books per capita 		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Overall expenditures on library materials per capita • Percent of 9th graders who graduate from H.S. • Percent of people with college/high school ed. • Percentage of jobs at top firms that require more than a high school diploma • Performance on ACT/SAT (by ethnicity) • Usage rates for libraries and community centers 	