



BETH ALTSHULER, MCP, MPH, CPH

EPIDEMIOLOGIST/URBAN PLANNER

Beth Altshuler focuses on community food security, social and health equity, active transportation, and state and local environmental policy. With broad experience working in public agencies, planning and policy consulting, and as an academic researcher, she provides expertise in parks and recreation, transportation, public health, sustainability, and strategic planning. Beth has extensive experience in designing and implementing innovative community involvement and visioning programs as well as qualitative (focus groups, stakeholder interviews, etc.) and quantitative (statistics and GIS) analysis skills. At the forefront of the healthy communities discipline for ten years, Beth is committed to creating livable places, reducing health disparities, and engaging residents in the future of their communities.

EDUCATION

University of California, Berkeley
Master of City and Regional Planning, 2010

University of California, Berkeley
Master of Public Health, 2010

Cornell University, Ithaca, NY
Bachelor of Arts, Sociology, 2003

AFFILIATIONS & CERTIFICATIONS

Chair, American Public Health Association,
Environment Section, Built Environment
Topic Committee.

Member. Healthy Places Coalition, American
Planning Association, Planners' Network,
East Bay Bicycle Coalition, Walk Oakland
Bike Oakland

Certified in Public Health. National Board of
Public Health Examiners.

EXPERIENCE

Raimi+Associates
Berkeley, CA
Epidemiologist/Urban Planner, 2010-present

Moore Iacofano Goltsman, Inc.
Berkeley, CA
Project Associate, 2005-2007

City and County of San Francisco
Public Health Department
Research Associate, 2008
Department of Public Works
SF CRUE Youth Employment Program
Program Director, 2003-2005

KEY PROJECTS

- **Delano General Plan Health and Sustainability Element (City of Delano, CA)**
Served as Deputy Project Manager. Worked closely with the city to design and facilitate a culturally relevant and accessible community engagement strategy. Mapped and analyzed community health data. Crafted the Health and Sustainability Element.
- **Santa Clara County Health Element (Santa Clara County, CA)**
Serving as Project Manager. Managing subconsultants and connections to related projects in the County. Completed community engagement, Quality of Life Survey, and Existing Conditions. Currently drafting the Health Element.
- **Community Health and Wellness Element (City of Coachella, CA)**
Served as project manager. Managed the Health Element and General Plan community engagement process. Completed an extensive existing conditions analysis, community workshops, advisory committee, outreach toolkit, and policy development.
- **Ashland and Cherryland Community Health and Wellness Element (Alameda County, CA)**
Serving as Project Manager. Managing project budget, timeline, and subconsultants. Imagining, executing, and facilitating numerous community engagement events, creating an extensive community health profile, and supporting the community survey and focus groups.
- **Monterey County Health in All Policies Initiative (Monterey County, CA Health Department)**
Serving as Project Manager. Conducting trainings on health equity and planning training for county and city staff. Advising and co-facilitating the county's Health in All Policies committee. Working with County epidemiologists on health equity indicators.
- **Village at Market Creek Cultural Village Plan (San Diego, CA)**
Served as Project Manager. Managed community engagement for the general plan and health element. Completed an extensive existing conditions analysis, community workshops, advisory committee, outreach toolkit, and policy development.

ADDITIONAL PROJECT EXPERIENCE

- Los Angeles Health Atlas and General Plan Health Element (City of Los Angeles, CA)
- Other General Plan Health Element Projects: for the Cities of Encinitas, Murrieta, Mountain View, and El Monte, CA
- International Boulevard TOD Plan and Rapid Health Impact Assessment (City of Oakland, CA)
- Community Health and Wellness General Plan Element (The California Endowment and Richmond, CA)*
- Eastern Neighborhoods Community Health Impact Assessment/Healthy Development Measurement Tool (City and County of San Francisco, CA's Department of Public Health)*
- Master Plan for Parks, Recreation, and Arts (City of Lancaster, CA)*
- West Oakland Community-Based Transportation Plan (Alameda County Transportation Improvement Authority (ACTIA), Oakland, CA)*
- Bay Area Regional Transit Connectivity Study (Bay Area Municipal Transportation Commission (MTC), Oakland, CA)*
- Strategic Planning Projects: TransForm; Santa Clara County Mental Health Services Act*; California Community College System*; Los Rios Community College District*.

SELECTED PUBLICATIONS

- *Health and California's Regional Transportation Plans: A Guidebook for creating healthier communities as Part of RTPs and Sustainable Communities Strategies.* California Department of Public Health and UCSF. (Co-Authored with TransForm), Oakland, CA. January 2012.
- *Social and Spatial Determinants of Perceived Neighborhood Safety in Richmond, CA.* UC Berkeley. Berkeley, CA. May 2010.
- *Cumulative Impacts and the California Environmental Quality Act: A Case Study of the Energy and Hydrogen Renewal Project in Richmond, CA.* and *California Local Air District CEQA Guidelines and Cumulative Impacts.* California Environmental Protection Agency (CalEPA), Office of Environmental Health Hazard Assessment (OEHHA). Cumulative Impacts and Precautionary Approaches (CIPA) Project. 2009.
- *According to Whom? Contextualizing and Framing Asthma Activity in Fresno, CA.* University of California Transportation Center, Berkeley. May 2008.
- *San Francisco Citywide Collaborative Food System Assessment* (City and County of San Francisco, CA)*
(* denotes projects where Ms. Altshuler served as key staff while at other organizations/consulting firms)

SELECTED PRESENTATIONS

- "Neighborhood Planning for Health Equity." APHA & APA Webinar. Healthy Communities: Neighborhood Planning through a Health Equity Lens. July 18, 2013.
- "Health and Equity Planning through the Lens of Community Engagement" 12th Annual New Partners for Smart Growth Conference. Kansas City, MO. February 7, 2013.
- "Promoting Public Health through the General Plan". Half-Day Training for the Western Riverside Council of Governments and Riverside County Department of Public Health. Riverside, CA. February 2012.
- "How public health professionals can add value to predicting and evaluating the health impacts of city planning projects and policies," as part of the full invited oral session: *Building health into our social and physical environment: Influencing choice, behavior, and health outcomes.* Presented at the 139th Annual American Public Health Association Meeting and Expo. Washington, D.C. October 2011.
- "Spatial, Racial and Social Determinants of Health in the San Joaquin Valley: A Survey of the Evidence," *14th Annual University of California Transportation Center Research Conference*, Santa Barbara, CA. February 2008.