



# 20 ENVIRONMENTAL JUSTICE 24 SCORECARD



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*Regenerate CA Coalition's energy justice tour in Wilmington and Long Beach (credit: Gissela Chavez, CBE).*

## **12th Annual Environmental Justice Scorecard**

The past year of legislation saw massive victories for environmental justice communities: we defended our rights to healthy neighborhoods through oil and gas setbacks, codified local governments' authority to restrict oil and gas pollution, and accelerated the cleanup of idle oil wells. The California Environmental Justice Alliance (CEJA) is proud of the tireless advocacy from our communities that led to these wins, and we're looking to pass even more exciting legislation in 2025.

But, following the disastrous results of the presidential election, a truth has become abundantly clear: we need to do better. Once again, California is called to stand as a leader of progressive resistance. Moderate reform is not the path forward. In order to truly protect our communities against the rising tide of fascism, we need a transformative change in policies powered by community-led solutions. We need to boldly invest our time, our resources, and our capital in the neighborhoods that have suffered the most from generations of negligence and toxic pollution.

CEJA urges California lawmakers to connect with environmental justice communities: meet with our leaders, tour our homes, and understand that right now, perhaps more than ever, lives are on the line. The time for "business as usual" is over. California can inspire the nation again, but we have to do it together. Meet us at the table.

*Photos from front cover (clockwise from top): CEJA staff and community members in front of the Capitol Building at Congreso 2024 (credit: Brooke Anderson Photography); CEJA staff walking to workshops at Congreso 2024 (credit: Brooke Anderson Photography); Organizers from CAUSE at their toxic tour in Santa Maria (credit: Michelle Ambriz); PODER contingent at the 'No to APEC' march in San Francisco (credit: Reina Tello); Guadalupe PODER leader and Promotora leads activities at outreach table for the Excelsior Neighborhood 'Sunday Streets' (credit: Vita Hewitt).*

## Top of the Class

CEJA is excited to celebrate the two legislators who earned 100% or above on our scorecard.



**Asm Tasha Boerner**  
Assembly District 77  
(San Diego)



**Asm Alex Lee**  
Assembly District 24  
(Santa Clara)

## Honorable Mentions

CEJA is also pleased to recognize the legislators who continued to champion our issues by crafting community aligned amendments as committee chairs, bringing their leadership to key issues, and authoring our priority bill.



**Asm Isaac G. Bryan**  
Assembly District 55  
(Los Angeles)



**Sen Lena Gonzalez**  
Senate District 33  
(Los Angeles)



**Asm Al Muratsuchi**  
Assembly District 66  
(Los Angeles)

### **CEJA unequivocally supports a ceasefire in Gaza.**

We stand with the California legislators who have publicly called for a ceasefire, including:

Assemblymember Matt Haney  
Assemblymember Alex Lee  
Assemblymember Liz Ortega  
Senator Aisha Wahab



Former PSR National Board Member Erica Frank, MD, MPH, FACPM, traveled across the US doing GOTV work and joined PSR-LA at the LA Climate Strike in September (credit: PSR-LA).

## Scorecard Methodology

Our 2024 Environmental Justice Scorecard evaluates votes taken on bills as that move through the entire legislative process. In the 2024 legislative cycle, CEJA supported eight bills and opposed two that fit this criteria. Of the eight bills we supported (AB 218, AB 1118, AB 1864, AB 1866, AB 2685, AB 2847, AB 3233, SB 1187), seven were signed into law. Unfortunately, of the bills we opposed (AB 98, SB 1420), both were signed into law.

For each scored bill, we developed a single score for each legislator representing the percentage of votes that they cast on that bill on the floor in support of CEJA's favored position. We do not score votes or opinions in committee. Each legislator's total score is the average of their score on each distinct bill. If a legislator was not able to vote on a bill, or in the rare instance in which a legislator had an excused absence during every vote on the bill, that bill does not count toward their overall average.

CEJA's scorecard aims to comprehensively and fairly evaluate each California legislator's performance on environmental justice issues. However, votes alone cannot capture the entirety of a lawmaker's impact on the environmental justice movement.

With that in mind, we include Community Points in our evaluation.

CEJA and each of our 10 member and partner organizations can award up to three points to legislators who significantly worked to advance CEJA's priorities by upholding our Principles of Environmental Justice. Each point can add a percentage to each legislator's score. Some examples of ways in which legislators have demonstrated their commitment to these principles include participating in environmental justice- focused community tours, engaging in respectful dialogue with environmental justice community leaders, including environmental justice resident testimonies alongside scientific research, and attending tours to deepen their understanding of community issues.

While voting records compose the overwhelming weight of the scores, we hope that Community Points serve as a reminder that when it comes to environmental justice, a legislator's job begins, but does not end, with casting votes — and must include proactive partnership with environmental justice organizations and communities.

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*Photos (top to bottom): CAUSE's Unidos 805 coalition to build grassroots power in the Central Coast (credit: Jay Chotirmal); Lion Dancers perform at APEN's 30th Anniversary Night Market Celebration (credit: Ryan Sin); CEJA staff co-facilitated tenant education workshops in Loma Linda with its historic policy win, the Solar on Multifamily Affordable Housing Program (credit: CEJA); staff and community members lobby with legislators during Congreso 2024 (credit: Brooke Anderson Photography).*



Assemblymember	Grade	Score	Comm. Points	Support								Oppose	
				AB 218	AB 1864	AB 1866	AB 2684	AB 3233	SB 674	SB 1118	SB 1187	AB 98	SB 1420
Dawn Addis (AD-30)	A	92	0	#	#^	#	#	#^	#	#	#	X	#
Cecilia Aguiar-Curry (AD-04)	C	75	0	#	*	#	#	#	#	#	#	X	X
Juan Alanis (AD-22)	F	45	0	X	*	X	#	X	X	#	#	#	X
David Alvarez (AD-80)	D	66	0	#^	#	*	*	*	#	#	#	X	X
Joaquin Arambula (AD-31)	A	90	0	#	#	#	#	#	#	#	#	#	X
Jasmeet Bains (AD-35)	F	45	0	#	*	X	#	X	X	#	#	X	X
Rebecca Bauer-Kahan (AD-16)	B	80	0	#	#	#	#	#	#	#	#	X	X
Steve Bennett (AD-38)	B	82	0	#^	#	#	#^	#	#	#	#	X	X
Marc Berman (AD-23)	A	90	0	#	#	#	#	#	#	#	#	X	#
Tasha Boerner (AD-77)	A	101	0	#	#	#	#^	#	#	#	#	#	#
Mia Bonta (AD-18)	B	81	0	#^	#	#	#	#	#	#	#	X	X
Isaac Bryan (AD-55)	B	87	6	#	#	#	#^	#	#	#	#	X	X
Lisa Calderon (AD-56)	B	86	0	EA	#	#	#^	X	#	#	#	EA	EA
Juan Carrillo (AD-39)	F	54	0	#	*	*	#	*	X	#	#	X	X
Wendy Carrillo (AD-52)	B	80	0	#	#	#	#	#	#	#	#	X	X
Sabrina Cervantes (AD-58)	F	29	0	#	X	X	X	#	EA	EA	EA	X	X
Phillip Chen (AD-59)	F	30	0	X	X	X	#	X	X	#	#	X	X
Damon Connolly (AD-12)	A	94	2	#^	#^	#	#	#	#	#	#	X	#
Megan Dahle (AD-01)	F	20	0	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	#	#	X
Laurie Davies (AD-74)	F	45	0	X	*	X	#	X	X	#	#	#	X
Diane Dixon (AD-72)	F	30	0	X	X	X	X	X	X	#	#	#	X
Bill Essayli (AD-63)	F	20	0	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	#	#	X
Heath Flora (AD-09)	F	35	0	X	*	X	X	X	X	#	#	#	X
Mike Fong (AD-49)	B	81	0	#^	#	#	#	#	#	#	#	X	X
Vince Fong (AD-32)~	F	0	0		X	X	X	X					
Laura Friedman (AD-44)	A	91	0	#	#	#^	#	#	#^	#	#	X	#
Jesse Gabriel (AD-46)	A	91	0	#	#	#	#	#	#	#	#	X	#
James Gallagher (AD-03)	F	30	0	X	X	X	X	X	X	#	#	#	X
Eduardo Garcia (AD-36)	B	80	0	#	#	#	#	#	#	#	#	X	X
Mike Gipson (AD-65)	F	50	0	#	#	X	#	X	X	#	#	X	X
Timothy Grayson (AD-15)	C	70	0	#	#	*	#	*	#	#	#	X	X
Matt Haney (AD-17)	B	80	0	#	#	#	#	#	#	#	#	X	X
Gregg Hart (AD-37)	A	92	1	#	#	#^	#	#	#	#	#	X	#
Chris Holden (AD-41)	B	80	0	#	#	#	#	#	#	#	#	X	X
Josh Hoover (AD-07)	F	35	0	X	*	X	X	X	X	#	#	#	X
Jacqui Irwin (AD-42)	B	80	0	#	#	#	#	#	#	#	#	X	X
Corey Jackson (AD-60)	A	92	1	#^	#	#	#	#	#	#	#	X	#
Reginald Byron Jones-Sawyer (AD-57)	C	78	0	#	#	#	#	#	EA	#	#	X	X
Ash Kalra (AD-25)	A	91	0	#	#^	#	#	#	#	#	#	X	#
Tom Lackey (AD-34)	F	20	0	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	#	#	X

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Alex Lee (AD-24)	A	101	0	#^	#	#	#	#	#	#	#	#	#
Evan Low (AD-26)	B	80	0	#	#	#	#	#	#	#	#	#	X
Josh Lowenthal (AD-69)	B	81	0	#	#	#	#	#	#	#^	#	#	X
Brian Maienschein (AD-76)	A	90	0	#	#	#	#	#	#	#	#	#	X
Devon Mathis (AD-33)	F	33	0	X	X	X	X	X	EA	#	#	#	X
Kevin McCarty (AD-06)	B	81	0	#^	#	#	#	#	#	#	#	#	X
Tina McKinnor (AD-61)	B	80	0	#	#	#	#	#	#	#	#	#	X
Al Muratsuchi (AD-66)	A	92	0	#^	#	#	#	#	#	#^	#	#	X
Stephanie Nguyen (AD-10)	D	60	0	#	#	X	#	X	X	#	#	#	X
Liz Ortega (AD-20)	N/A	N/A	0	^	EA	EA	EA	EA	#	EA	EA	EA	EA
Blanca Pacheco (AD-64)	C	70	0	#	*	*	#	X	#	#	#	#	X
Diane Papan (AD-21)	A	90	0	#	#	#	#	#	#	#	#	#	X
Jim Patterson (AD-08)	F	30	0	X	X	X	X	X	X	#	#	#	X
Joe Patterson (AD-05)	F	35	0	X	X	X	*	X	X	#	#	#	X
Gail Pellerin (AD-28)	B	80	0	#	#	#	#	#	#	#	#	#	X
Cottie Petrie-Norris (AD-73)	A	91	0	#^	#	#	#	#	#	#	#	#	X
Sharon Quirk-Silva (AD-67)	F	56	0	#^	#	*	#	X	X	#	#	#	X
James Ramos (AD-45)	F	56	0	#^	*	X	#	X	X	#	#	#	X
Anthony Rendon (AD-62)	A	94	0	#	#	#	#	*	EA	#	#	#	#
Eloise Gómez Reyes (AD-50)	A	91	2	#	#	#	#	#	#	#	#	#	X
Luz Rivas (AD-43)	A	90	0	#	#	#	#	#	#	#	#	#	X
Robert Rivas (AD-29)	B	81	0	#	#	#	#	#	#	#	#	#	X
Freddie Rodriguez (AD-53)	D	61	0	#	*	*	#^	X	X	#	#	#	X
Blanca Rubio (AD-48)	F	55	0	#	*	X	#	X	X	#	#	#	X
Kate Sanchez (AD-71)	F	40	0	X	X	X	#	X	X	#	#	#	X
Miguel Santiago (AD-54)	B	80	0	#	#	#	#	#	#	#	#	#	X
Pilar Schiavo (AD-40)	C	70	0	X	#	#	#	#	#	#	#	#	X
Esmeralda Soria (AD-27)	F	50	0	X	*	*	#	X	X	#	#	#	X
Tri Ta (AD-70)	F	30	0	X	X	X	X	X	X	#	#	#	X
Phil Ting (AD-19)	A	90	0	#	#	#	#	#	#	#	#	#	X
Avelino Valencia (AD-68)	F	56	0	#^	*	#	#	X	X	#	#	#	X
Carlos Villapudua (AD-13)	D	60	0	#	X	X	#	X	X	#	#	#	#
Marie Waldron (AD-75)	F	44	0	X	X	X	#	X	EA	#	#	#	X
Greg Wallis (AD-47)	F	45	0	X	*	X	#	X	X	#	#	#	X
Chris Ward (AD-78)	A	91	0	#^	#	#	#	#	#	#	#	#	X
Akilah Weber (AD-79)	C	79	0	#^	#	#	#	#	EA	#	#	#	X
Buffy Wicks (AD-14)	B	81	0	#	#	#	#	#	#^	#	#	#	X
Lori Wilson (AD-11)	B	81	0	#^	#	#	#	X	#	#	#	#	X
Jim Wood (AD-02)	B	80	0	#	#	#	#	#	#	#	#	#	X
Rick Chavez Zbur (AD-51)	B	80	0	#^	#	#	#	#	#	#	#	#	X

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Marie Alvarado-Gil (SD-04)	F	30	0	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	#	#	#	X
Bob Archuleta (SD-30)	D	69	0	#	#	X	#	#	#	#	#	#	X	X
<b>Angelique Ashby (SD-08)</b>	<b>A</b>	<b>90</b>	<b>0</b>	#	#	#	#	#	#	#	#	#	#	X
Toni Atkins (SD-39)	B	81	3	#	#	#	#	#	#	EA	#	#	X	X
Josh Becker (SD-13)	B	85	0	#	#	#	#	#	#	#	#	#	X	*
Catherine Blakespear (SD-38)	B	80	0	#	#	#	#	#	#	#	#	#	X	X
Steve Bradford (SD-35)	C	70	0	#	#	#	#	X	#	#	#	#	X	X
Anna Caballero (SD-14)	C	79	0	#	#	#	#	#	#	#	#	#	X	X
Dave Cortese (SD-15)	B	80	0	#	#	#	#	#	#	#	#	#	X	X
Brian Dahle (SD-01)	F	20	0	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	#	#	X
Bill Dodd (SD-03)	D	69	0	#	#	#	X	X	#	#	#	#	#	X
María Elena Durazo (SD-26)	B	81	1	#	#	#	#	X	#	#	#	#	X	#
<b>Susan Eggman (SD-05)</b>	<b>A</b>	<b>91</b>	<b>0</b>	#	#	#	#	#	#	#	#^	#	#	X
Steve Glazer (SD-07)	C	70	0	#	#	#	X	X	#	#	#	#	#	X
<b>Lena Gonzalez (SD-33)</b>	<b>A</b>	<b>90</b>	<b>3</b>	#	#	#	#	#^	#^	#	#	#	X	*
Shannon Grove (SD-12)	F	30	0	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	#	#	#	X
Melissa Hurtado (SD-16)	F	56	0	X	#^	X	#	X	X	X	#	#	#	*
Brian Jones (SD-40)	F	20	0	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	#	#	X
John Laird (SD-17)	B	81	0	#	#	#	#	#^	#	#	#	#	X	X
Monique Limón (SD-19)	B	86	0	#	#	#^	#	#	#	#	#	#	X	*
Mike McGuire (SD-02)	B	81	0	#	#	#	#	#	#	#	#	#^	X	X
<b>Caroline Menjivar (SD-20)</b>	<b>A</b>	<b>95</b>	<b>0</b>	#	#	#	#	#	#	#	#	#	#	*
Dave Min (SD-37)	B	80	0	#	#	#	#	#	#	#	#	#	X	X
Josh Newman (SD-29)	F	59	0	#	#	X	#	X	X	X	#	#	#	X
Janet Nguyen (SD-36)	F	20	0	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	#	#	X
Roger Niello (SD-06)	F	30	0	X	#	X	X	X	X	X	X	#	#	X
Rosilicie Ochoa Bogh (SD-23)	F	20	0	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	#	#	X
<b>Steve Padilla (SD-18)</b>	<b>A</b>	<b>90</b>	<b>0</b>	#	#	#	#	#	#	#	#	#	X	#
Anthony Portantino (SD-25)	C	70	0	#	#	#	#	X	#	#	#	#	X	X
Richard Roth (SD-31)	C	70	0	#	#	#	X	X	#	#	#	#	#	X
Susan Rubio (SD-22)	B	80	0	#	#	#	#	X	#	#	#	#	#	X
Kelly Seyarto (SD-32)	F	20	0	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	#	#	X
Nancy Skinner (SD-09)	B	81	0	#	#	#	#	#	#^	#	#	#	X	X
Lola Smallwood-Cuevas (SD-28)	B	86	0	#	#	#^	#	#	#	#	#	#	X	*
Henry Stern (SD-27)	B	84	0	#	#	#	#	#^	^	#	#	#	X	*
Tom Umberg (SD-34)	C	70	0	#	#	#	#	X	#	#	#	#	X	X
Aisha Wahab (SD-10)	B	80	0	#	#	#	#	#	#	#	#	#	X	X
<b>Scott Wiener (SD-11)</b>	<b>A</b>	<b>91</b>	<b>0</b>	#	#	#	#	#^	#	#	#	#	X	#
Scott Wilk (SD-21)	D	65	0	X	#	#	X	X	#	#	#	#	#	*

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