

Social & Economic Justice Commission-2012 Work Plan

2011-Social and Economic Commission Accomplishments:

- Recommendation for Living Wage.
- Recommendation to abolish the Death Penalty. Presentation by GRIP and the Faith Community.
- Healthy and Sustainable Food Policy-Distribution of info Senior Center, low income residents and elementary schools. Presentation by the Food Bank, SEJC article on Hunger in the Albany Patch.
- Ban on Second Hand Smoke on Solano Avenue which included bars and restaurants. Resolution passed.
- Citizens United Decision ban on corporate personhood. Resolution opposing corporate personhood.

2012 Projects/Events/Programs in progress

- Healthy and Sustainable Food Policy-community gardens.
- Affordable Housing – Homeless, Special populations e.g. Albany Bulb, City of Albany at large.
- Economic Impact-analysis income levels of Albany Residents (at risk, low income, middle, etc.)
- Community Policing/police community relations.

Planning and Policies

- Research, education and statements on the above.
- Sub Committee on Homelessness

Topics to Continually Evaluate

- Visibility. Interface with the community.
- Community Participation in SEJC meetings.
- Referral items to Commissions and the City Council.
- SEJC SUPPORT BY THE CITY COUNCIL. Staff support at SEJC meetings.