



In August 2011, the U.S. General Services Administration (GSA) joined 15 Departments and Agencies in signing a Memorandum of Understanding on Environmental Justice. Since then, GSA published its first-ever Environmental Justice Strategy in February 2012, identifying key areas that GSA would focus on in subsequent years.

I am pleased to publish this year's progress report, which sets out not only the accomplishments of fiscal year 2015, but also highlights current priorities and initiatives that support the principles of environmental justice. Section IX of the report highlights the Environmental Justice Interagency Working Group's accomplishments and the path forward over the next 3-year period.

In this year's report, GSA is excited to report its recent launch of a nationwide Economic Catalyst Initiative to better align the Federal Government's building, leasing, and relocation plans with the economic development goals of local communities, while also improving outcomes for GSA's partner Federal agencies. GSA launched the initiative on a three-city tour to Detroit, Michigan; Cambridge, Massachusetts; and Charlotte, North Carolina. I met with elected officials and local stakeholders to highlight GSA's projects in each of the three cities that will serve as economic catalysts.

This year's report highlights the broad reach of GSA's programs and activities, and the agency's influence in so many areas government-wide. I encourage you to share your feedback regarding the report with us at ejstrategy@gsa.gov.

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