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Dear esteemed stakeholder,

We hope you had a good beginning of the year! Thank you for your continued support and feedback as we move forward in the arena of climate and health as it pertains to our Maricopa County community. This letter is intended to give you an update on the progress following the previously held (May 2017) Bridging Climate Change and Public Health (BCCPH) meeting. The participant feedback from this meeting was evaluated and culminated into a smaller BCCPH strategic planning workgroup. The BCCPH workgroup consisted of representatives from entities that were mentioned to have extensive partnerships and projects relating to climate and health during the last meeting. As a result of this smaller workgroup, we have drafted a five-year countywide Climate and Health Strategic Plan with five strategic directions.

We will be hosting a webinar series in order to present further details on the strategic directions and we would love for you to join us in these discussions. **Please see dates and times mentioned in the list below.** Detailed information about webinars will be forthcoming. We look forward to your participation in helping us to review and finalize this strategic plan. Please feel free to contact us for further information at climateandhealth@mail.maricopa.gov.

- Building Community Awareness through a Strategic and Targeted Communication Plan (**February 8, 2018 at 10:00am**)
- Fostering Environmental Action for a Healthier Community (**February 23, 2018 9:30am**)
- Coordinating Research and Collaborative Efforts to Catalyze Change (**February 16, 2018 at 1:00pm**)
- Promoting Public Education about Climate and Health (**February 28, 2018 time TBD**)
- Celebrating Success and Champions (**update will be provided at each webinar**)

Kind Regards,

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