



**A Safe and Strong Program to Protect Everyone**

Enrich the environment through practices of *STEP UP!*

**S**anitation, **T**eaching, **E**nvironmental Enrichment, **P**reventative actions and **U**niversal **P**olicy.

When we practice high standards of Earth Friendly Management, a healthy environment evolves.

*STEP UP!* to the plate and give the city a home run.

**S** - Sanitation

1. Trash dumpster lids should be closed at all times, and tightly fitted with a lock bar and no spillage on the ground.
2. Trash containers shall be rodent proof and checked regularly for overstuffing.
3. All public bathrooms shall be checked on a regular basis for cleanliness and sanitation.
4. Picnic only in designated areas.

**T** - Teaching

Teach [Repel](#), [Exclude](#), [Deter](#) techniques which provide alternatives to pesticides.

Encourage respect for our environment by attending and helping at Earth Day Fairs and other events.

**E** - Environmental Enrichment

1. Encourage drought resistant shade trees.
2. Develop pollinator gardens, organic fruit and vegetable gardens.
3. Bee boxes for honey.
4. A soil enrichment program including soil testing.

**P** - Prevention

1. No chemical pesticides or fertilizers shall be used on city owned property.
2. Use [Repel, Exclude, Deter](#) alternatives

**U P** - Universal Policy

Embrace *The "Precautionary Principle"*. *The principle recognizes that:*

- a) No pesticide product is free from risk or threat to human health, and
- b) Industrial producers should be required to prove that their pesticide products demonstrate an absence of risks rather than requiring that the government or the public prove that human health is being harmed.

*When we poison the wildlife and the Earth we are poisoning ourselves; nature is a united system. Pesticides are in the air that we breathe, the water that we drink and the food that we eat, and they are absorbed through our skin.*