

# Skyglow Final Project

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#### Our Project & Target Audience

#### A brochure to be distributed to voting members of the public

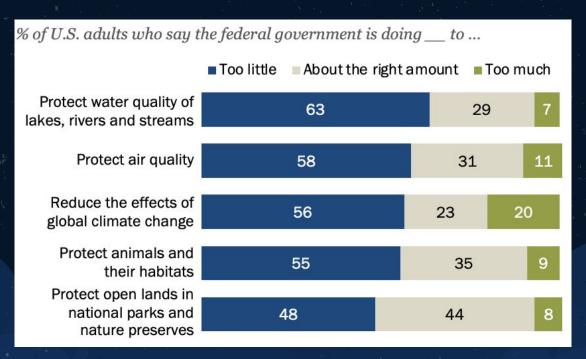
- Spread awareness of current and potential future legislation regarding light pollution
- Inform readers of the negative effects of light pollution
- Urge readers to take action in their daily lives
- Convince readers of the importance of anti-light pollution legislation

As a Local Government Official, our main goal is for our constituents to advocate and vote in favor of future anti-light pollution legislation!

### Why A Brochure?

- Concise Information Delivery
- Visual Appeal
- Ease of Distribution
  - Can be printed en masse and distributed at local community centers
- Physical Medium
  - Accessible for people of all ages regardless of familiarity with technology

#### What do Americans Prioritize?



June 2023, Pew Research Poll on climate change laws

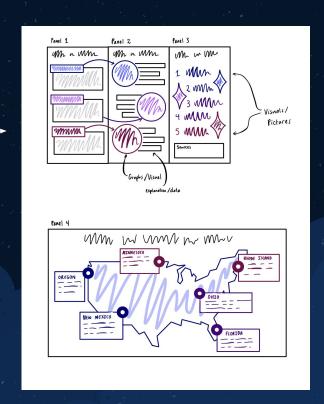
### Brochure Summary

Cover and Three Panels

#### **Overall Structure**

- Cover
- Front Side
  - Panel 1
  - Panel 2
  - Panel 3
- Back Side
  - Infographic

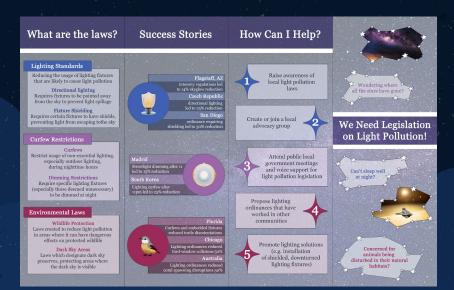
Rough mockup of brochure layout



#### **Final Design**

3 main panels and front cover

Infographic on the back



#### Success Stories Accross the United States Chicago, Il Protected migratory birds by initiating lighting ordinances, leading to a 50% decrease in birds colliding with windows San Diego, CA New lighting ordinances required outdoor lighting fixtures to be fully shielded, leading to a 30% reduction in skyglow Sanibel, Fl Enforcing a lighting curfew during Flagstaff, AZ nesting season, requiring outdoor lights to be shileded All outdoor lighting fixtures and directed away from the required to be fully shielded beach, and requiring low and curfews established intensity long wavelength lights for non-essential lighting, has decreased turtle disruption imposing limits on the amount of light emited

#### Front cover

Goal: Catch a reader's attention using photos & direct questions

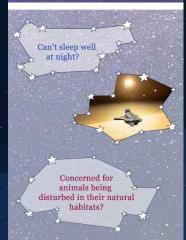
Photos evoke sympathy for wildlife affected by light pollution as well as remind readers of a clear dark sky which is being lost to light pollution.

Questions aimed directly at the readers encourage them to pick up our pamphlet as a solution is offered to many issues which they may care about, such as a animal well-being and their sleep schedules

Bold title provides a call to action, and gives readers hope that there is a solution they can be a part of

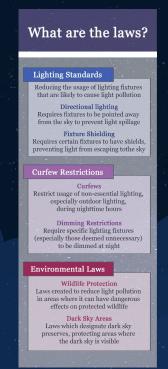


#### We Need Legislation on Light Pollution!



# Panel 1: Introducing Types of Anti-Light Pollution Legislation

- Goal: Inform readers about common types of laws that have been enacted to reduce light pollution in major cities
- Provide brief examples of the goals and reasonings behind each type of legislation
- Each type of light pollution legislation is given an associated color
  - Example legislation on the back side infographic uses these colors to help the reader identify what types of anti-light pollution legislation they are



# Panel 2: How Effective Have These Laws Been Elsewhere?

- Goal: Give the reader data which provides evidence of the success of these laws when implemented properly
- Example data corresponds to one of the types of legislation described in the first panel



# Panel 3: Why Do We Need This Legislation?

- Goal 1: Convince the reader of the necessity of this type of legislation by giving examples of the many negative effects of light pollution
- Goal 2: Provide the reader with ways to advocate for light pollution legislation in their district and community



### Panel 4 (Back Side): Legislation Across The US

- Goal: Provide examples of specific light pollution laws that have been passed across the United States, laid over a map with each law pointing to the location of the city where it has been enacted
- Specific laws chosen to represent successful initiatives that have been set forth by these communities
- Different types of laws are categorized using the types of legislation identified in the first panel
  - Readers can see examples of the different types of laws enumerated earlier in the brochure



#### Getting the Word Out

- Since our goal is to convince constituents (voting adults) to advocate and vote for anti-light pollution initiatives, we want to be able to distribute our brochures directly to the public
- Examples:
  - Libraries
  - Local Parks
  - Community Centers
  - Public Bulletins

### Overall Significance

What we learned & hopes for our project's impact

# Overall significance & personal insights

- I don't personally see these laws or the issue of light pollution discussed very often
- Hope to make it a more prevalent and widespread cause
- I am more conscious of my impact on the issue, and equipped to educate others