



San Diego Promise Zone

Healthy Communities Working Group

Thursday, July 15 | 1:00 – 2:30 PM

Via Zoom (Meeting ID: 979 7737 1015 Passcode: 486144)

Working Group Goal: To increase access to healthcare and healthy foods.

In Attendance

Access Youth Academy, Aetna, Blue Shield California, City of San Diego, City of San Diego's Economic Development Department, City of San Diego's Planning Department, County of San Diego's Health & Human Services Agency, Healthy Day Partners, Get and Grow Trees/Kate Sessions Trees, Mongol Tribe, Office of Mayor Todd Gloria, Project New Village, San Diego Co-Harvest. San Diego for Every Child, Urban Corps of San Diego County, Urban Growth, Jackie Robinson Family YMCA

Meeting Notes

Welcome, Agenda Review, and Introduction

- Culture share: what is your favorite park to visit?

Partner Announcements

- **Healthy Day Partners:** Healthy Day Partners was awarded a USDA grant and will be working with Olivewood Gardens in National City to start a garden education program. The program will hire garden teachers for 6,000 students and aims to serve as a model for school districts and school gardens.
- **City of San Diego:** The Economic Development Department is [currently hiring](#) for four positions! Application deadline is Monday, July 26. Contact Daichi Pantaleon for more information, dpantaleon@sanidiego.gov.
- **Get and Grow Trees:**
 - The Catholic Diocese of San Diego has published their Creation Care Action Plan to target climate change: <https://www.sdcatholic.org/office-for/life-peace-and-justice/care-for-creation-and-environmental-issues/dioceses-action-plan/>
- **Office of Mayor Todd Gloria:**
 - 76,000 doses of the COVID-19 vaccine were administered at Balboa Park, Petco Park, and mobile pods across the city.
 - The [Housing Stability Assistance Program](#) is still accepting applications.

- Here are [highlights of the Back to Work San Diego Budget](#).
- Here is the [Mayor's most recent press release on the recent updates on the Parks Master Plan](#).

COVID-19 Vaccine Resources & Updates

Monique Bonnie, County of San Diego's Health & Human Services Agency (HHSA)

- [Beyond the Blueprint Toolkit](#) is a free digital toolkit available to create graphics or social media messages about COVID-19.
- Effective June 15, 2021, everyone must wear a mask on public transit and in other limited settings as detailed in the California Department of Health (CDPH)'s [Face Covering Guidance](#). Masks must be worn in all indoor settings if you are not vaccinated, and people cannot be denied service for wearing a mask. Exemptions are for children under the age of 2 years and people with certain medical conditions.
- Effective June 17, 2021, the California Division of Occupational Safety and Health (Cal/OSHA) updated their [mask guidance for employees in the work place](#).
- CDPH advises delaying travel until you are fully vaccinated. If you choose not to be vaccinated, you are advised to get tested before and after travel. Here is the [CDPH's Travel Guidance](#).
- [Digital COVID-19 Vaccine Record for Californians](#) are now available.
- The HHSA is hiring for a Community Health Worker Liaison for COVID-19 and a part-time Youth Social Media Coordinator who will develop content for youth-oriented social media accounts! Email lwsd.hhsa@sdcounty.ca.gov resume and cover letter by Friday, July 23.

Complete Communities Parks Master Plan

Heidi Vonblum, City of San Diego's Planning Department

- The Planning Department is also [hiring](#) for multiple roles!
- As part of the [Complete Communities](#) initiative, the [Parks Master Plan](#) has received an overdue update.
- This [story map](#) presents images of the different parks in San Diego to illustrate the inequities of the current park system.
- The goals of the plan include acquiring 100 acres of parkland in 10 years, prioritizing equitable investments, promoting feelings of safety, safe access, and equitable park condition inventory.
- There will be a dedicated allocation of development impact fees including 80% to deficient communities with at least 50% in communities of concern.
- To set a new equitable park standard, 100 recreational value points will be allotted per 1000 people with at least 20% achieved through parkland acquisition.
- Park innovation will be in accordance with Climate Action Plan goals through expansion of park typologies, creative private-public partnerships, being responsive to new trends, the inclusion of new technologies, and placemaking on vacant lots.
- The plan includes equitable access goals, detailing how parks need to be practically accessible by walking, rolling, and biking.

- The Chollas Creek Watershed Regional Park Designation will be officially designated a watershed in this plan.
- The Citywide Park Development Impact Fee will ensure funds are spent on parks, allow for equitable park prioritization, and provide a funding source.

Sub-Groups Updates

- Active Living & Active Transportation: The current draft of the bike rack flyer was discussed in the Active Living Sub-Group. Promise Zone staff will be seeking feedback from the department and will track requests and referrals for the bike racks.
- Healthcare Agencies: Promise Zone staff had a discussion with Blue Shield of California to reengage healthcare providers by collaborating and supporting efforts of existing their working groups and networks. Blue Shield of California seeks to integrate youth mental health and the arts with a mural project. This mural project will collaborate with the Safety Working Group. Promise Zone staff are seeking mural locations within the Promise Zone. If you have any spaces to recommend, please contact Xiomalys Crespo, xcrespo@sandiego.gov.
- Urban Agriculture & Backyard Growing:
 - The Jackie Robinson YMCA identified space for the healing garden. Community input meetings will be held at the YMCA on July 23 and July 24 to ensure the garden aligns with community needs. This garden project may potentially collaborate with the Safety Working Group.
 - Slight edits have been made to the Urban Agriculture flyer, and the group suggested additional places to distribute the flyer. Next steps involve printing logistics.
 - The Skyline Hills project is still waiting to hear back from the Real Estate Assets Department. Mongol Tribe is looking into starting seed libraries as well.

Wrap Up and Adjourn

- Please leave any feedback using our [digital comment box](#).

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