**PROJECT OVERVIEW**

*Imagine: Public Spaces* was conceived and planned in partnership between Imagine Creative Services and the City of San Diego Planning Department. The purpose of the project was to develop and implement new means of public outreach and engagement to inform and gather input for the upcoming Build Better SD initiative. Three historically underserved communities of San Diego were selected for engagement: City Heights, Southeast San Diego, and South San Diego. A series of events were planned in each of these communities to create new channels of communication between the City and residents. In addition to the events, a variety of other creative strategies, including a poster campaign, family and friend interviews, storytelling and poetry, an online survey, and a video documentary were implemented to expand the impact of the outreach and increase engagement in the initiative process.
NOTE: See end of document for links to referenced content and samples of digital design files.

2 Feb 2022

Location: Hoover High School
Group: 11th grade, Social Justice Academy, American Literature/ Critical Thinking and Social Change
Number of participants: 22
Deliverables
• 90-minute workshop- education, creative community cultivation, City of San Diego Planning Department visit, photo/video
• Students noted their favorite locations in City Heights
• Students generated writings to share feelings, perceptions and sensory experiences of their community
• Imagine created a Community Poem directly from above writings

4 Feb 2022

Location: Hoover High School
Group: 11th grade, Social Justice Academy, American Literature/ Critical Thinking and Social Change
Number of participants: 24
Deliverables
• 90-minute workshop- education, creative community cultivation
• Students photographed for the promotional poster
• Students shared input about the things they want to see in various public spaces in City Heights
• Students completed a homework assignment researching public spaces in other cities. They described the things they saw in other cities that they appreciated and want to see in San Diego

7 Feb 2022

Location: Morse HS
Groups: Five 9-12th grade Culinary Arts and Tourism & Hospitality classes
Number of participants: 150
Deliverables
• Five 50-minute workshops- education, creative community cultivation, City of San Diego Planning Department visit, photo/video (included on the poster and film)
• Students noted their favorite locations in Southeast San Diego
• Students shared input about the things they want to see in various public spaces in Southeast San Diego
8 Feb 2022

Location: Hoover High School
Group: 11th grade, Social Justice Academy American Literature/ Critical Thinking and Social Change
Number of participants: 20
Deliverables
• 90-minute workshop- education, creative community cultivation
• Students interviewed for the short documentary film
• Students organized ideas for how to participate in the poster campaign in their school and community
• Students edited and completed voice interviews they conducted in the community as a homework assignment

Location: San Ysidro High School
Group: 9-12th grade Theater Class
Number of participants: 33
Deliverables
• 2 hour workshop- education, creative community cultivation
• Students created and performed a community poem sharing their experience of San Ysidro community
• Students shared input about the things they want to see in various public spaces in San Ysidro

12 Feb 2022

Location: Ocean Discovery Institute
Group: City Heights Intergenerational Community Event (children- adults)
Number of participants: 20
Deliverables
• 2.5 hour workshop incl. education, creative community cultivation, City of San Diego Planning Department visit, photo/video
• Community shared input about the things they want to see in various public spaces in City Heights
• Video interviews (included in the film)

15 Feb 2022

Location: San Ysidro High
Group: 9-12th grade Theater Class
Number of participants: 33
Deliverables
• 2 hour workshop- education, creative community cultivation
• Students organized ideas for how to participate in the poster campaign in their school and community
• Students edited and completed interviews they conducted toward the development of interview theater monologues
• Students voice recorded for the short documentary voiceover (included in voiceover of the film)
• Students photographed for the poster (included in the poster)
• Students video interviewed for the short documentary film (included in the film)

24 Feb 2022

Deliverables
• Poster and postcard designs with original photos complete and requested for print.
25 Feb 2022

**Location:** San Ysidro Library  
**Group:** San Ysidro Intergenerational Community Event (All adults)  
**Number of participants:** 11  
**Deliverables**  
- 2.5 hour workshop - education, creative community cultivation, City of San Diego Planning Department visit, photo/video  
- Community shared input about the things they want to see in various public spaces in San Ysidro  
- Video interviews (included in the film)

26 Feb 2022

**Location:** Skyline Library / Southeast Community Event  
**Group:** Southeast San Diego Intergenerational Community Event (All adults)  
**Number of participants:** 20  
**Deliverables**  
- 2.5 hour workshop - education, creative community cultivation, City of San Diego Planning Department visit, photo/video  
- Community shared input about the things they want to see in various public spaces in Southeast San Diego  
- Video interviews (included in the film)

**Additional/“Behind the Scenes”**

**December–February:**  
- Original curriculum and presentation design for all Imagine Public Spaces Workshops  
- Setting up and facilitating in-school Imagine Public Spaces Workshops  
- Graphic design of print/social media materials for event promotion and to increase survey engagement  
- Training and providing Imagine team support for events and workshops  
- Providing Spanish translation in intergenerational events  
- Co-producing community events in partnership with the City of San Diego Planning department

**February:**  
- Capturing original photo and video b-roll  
- Finalize poster and postcard
Upcoming

March 1-15
- Work with a local musician from South San Diego to create original video score
- Finalize video

Additional Support outside of originally proposed scope of work:

- **March 1-30:** Poster and postcard campaign organizing support in the community and school locations, with visits to Service Clubs in the schools
- **March 15- April 15:** Instagram campaign with Imagine’s original San Diego photos to deepen survey engagement and final push in publicizing “Build Better”. (IG: @imaginebravespaces)
- **Date TBD:** Share a sampling of engagement photos
COMMUNITY INPUT

CITY HEIGHTS
Community Input Spreadsheets
https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1vrOSvwDDy1bYSC16Asgr6RHfyfbhe0XO7rd5Iwela8/edit?usp=sharing

Hoover HS Community Poem
https://docs.google.com/document/d/186PPaFqynsH-qeKCPF7x-FtJoisNIuMMBY5EiMk6-fQ/edit?usp=sharing

Hoover HS Community Interviews
https://docs.google.com/document/d/1x7G6JeQzI5UDfT8FsyRihYffQRN8RdQu-0tnqhXwE8/edit?usp=sharing

SOUTHEAST SAN DIEGO
Community Input Spreadsheets
https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1OJu8A20L1XiK2uu0iBmi2sevy2vTh24UO1-f0zsUo/edit?usp=sharing

SOUTH SAN DIEGO/SAN YSIDRO
Community Input Spreadsheets
https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1XRpKF4i788toSWDOpDn0lBFMB4lxb8QM4TZLminA/edit?usp=sharing

San Ysidro HS Community Poems
https://docs.google.com/document/d/1UIFw_Et2Y5iv06YM_uh20maxd2Sz4HhorrFbFw0gk/edit?usp=sharing

San Ysidro HS Community Interviews
https://docs.google.com/document/d/18nnTzyheUD_VTyNVEeG0JdymL_JiTlN6XM7LCJbalWo/edit?usp=sharing
The City of San Diego is asking YOU—CITY HEIGHTS—to *IMAGINE*...

Parks, plazas, streets, and sidewalks where you walk, bike, drive, and interact with others.

**You and your family are invited** to share ideas through creative theatre-based activities, community brainstorms, and writing prompts. Your work will be documented through video interviews and photos to highlight your voices and shared directly with City planners to shape new policies that help meet the needs of your community.

**Join us!** All participants will receive goodie bags and light refreshments and snacks will be provided.

**When:** Saturday, Feb 12, 2022, 9:30am-12:00pm

**Where:** Ocean Discovery Institute
4255 Thorn St, San Diego, CA 92105 ([map](#))

**Street Parking** available along Thorn or Van Dyke.
**Entrance** located on Thorn Street.

**Safety Protocol:** All participants must wear masks. COVID screening upon arrival.

*This will be an indoor and outdoor workshop and is most appropriate for ages 10+, but all are welcome.*

[Click here to RSVP](#) or use the QR link.
La Ciudad de San Diego te invita a TI—CITY HEIGHTS—a que IMAGINES...

Parques, plazas, calles y banquetas donde caminar, andar en bicicleta, manejar e interactuar con otros.

Tú y tu familia están invitados a compartir ideas a través de actividades creativas basadas en el teatro, ideas colectivas y escritos. Tu trabajo será documentado a través de entrevistas grabadas en video y fotos para alzar tu voz y la voz de tu comunidad. Las grabaciones se compartirán directamente con los planificadores de la ciudad para crear nuevas regulaciones y servicios que ayuden a satisfacer las necesidades de tu comunidad.

¡Únete! Todos los participantes recibirán bolsas de obsequios, al igual que se proporcionarán comidas y bebidas.

Cuándo: Sábado 12 de febrero de 2022, de 9:30am a 12:00pm
Dónde: Instituto Ocean Discovery
4255 Thorn St, San Diego, CA 92105 (map)
Estacionamiento disponible a lo largo de la calle Thorn o Van Dyke.
Entrada ubicada en Thorn Street.
Protocolo de seguridad: Todos los participantes deberán usar tapabocas. Escaneo de COVID en la entrada.

Este taller tendrá lugar dentro de las instalaciones y al aire libre. La edad apropiada es para mayores de 10 años, pero todos son bienvenidos.

Haga clic aquí para confirmar su asistencia o use el enlace QR.
The City of San Diego is asking YOU—SOUTHEAST SAN DIEGO—to IMAGINE...

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When: Saturday, Feb. 26, 9:30am-12pm

Where: Skyline Hills Library
7900 Paradise Valley Rd, San Diego, CA 92139 (map)

Parking Access library parking lot from Paradise Valley Rd. or S. Meadowbrook Dr.

Safety Protocol Please refer to latest City regulations prior to attending event.

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Cuándo: Sábado 26 de febrero de 2022, de 9:30am a 12:00pm

Dónde: Skyline Hills Library
7900 Paradise Valley Rd, San Diego, CA 92139 (map)

Estacionamiento: Acceda al estacionamiento de la biblioteca desde Paradise Valley Road o S. Meadowbrook Drive.

Protocolo de seguridad: Consulte las normas más recientes de la Ciudad antes de asistir al evento.

Este taller tendrá lugar dentro de las instalaciones y al aire libre. La edad apropiada es para mayores de 10 años, pero todos son bienvenidos.

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When: Friday, Feb. 25, 9:30am-12pm
Where: San Ysidro Library
4235 Beyer Blvd, San Ysidro, CA 92173 (map)

Parking Access library parking lot from Beyer Boulevard.

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Cuándo: Viernes 25 de febrero de 2022, de 9:30am a 12:00pm
Dónde: San Ysidro Library
4235 Beyer Blvd, San Ysidro, CA 92173 (map)
Estacionamiento: Acceda al estacionamiento de la biblioteca desde Beyer Boulevard.
Protocolo de seguridad: Consulte las normas más recientes de la Ciudad antes de asistir al evento.

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