

# Event Write Up

## Event: WaterTalks Public Event Tree People

Date and Time	January 15, 2020 6:30 PM	Community Member Attendance	30+
Location	1525 Glenoaks blvd San Fernando, CA 91340	Sponsoring Organization	Tree People

### **Summary:**

On January 15, 2020 Tree People of Los Angeles, hosted their water talks event at 1525 Glenoaks Blvd, San Fernando. The focus was on educating the community to be advocates for water on their own behalf. Pizza and drinks were provided. The meeting attendees were part of a neighborhood watch for the San Fernando area and they were very engaged. Over thirty community members attended the event.

Toolkits provided by Tree people were utilized to follow along with the power point presentation that took place. Stephen from Tree People Los Angeles did a great job asking water questions at the beginning of the meeting, then utilizing the WaterTalks power point toolkit to answer these questions. Questions such as "Why is water important?", "What are water challenges?" These questions guided the presentation into a meaningful discussion about water. Topics such as drainage, flooding, health, and wild fires were discussed. Another topic of discussion was Tree Peoples' Calles Verdes Tree Planting program, its success and its current plans. Interactive posters provided by Tree People aided in engaging the community as to where they would like to see trees planted throughout the San Fernando community. In sum the WaterTalks event was a success and the community members left with a more informative and empowered outlook on their water.

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