

Event: San Gabriel Valley Listening Sessions

IRWM Region	Greater LA County	Date and Time	11/12/2020 6:00:00 PM
Community Engagement Partner	Active SGV	Location	Virtual for San Gabriel Valley
Event Facilitator Contact	David Diaz	Community Attendance	10
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Description:

ActiveSGV hosted a Zoom meeting titled ActiveSGV Social - Your Water Wishing Well on November 12, 2020 from 6-7pm. Discussion questions covered in the meeting included things folks liked about their community, community needs, water-related issues of greatest concern, concerns about drinking water quality, top three most pressing community concerns, and water service provider.

Questions / Comments:

Community strengths shared were spread across many communities: Arcadia: street trees for shade to make walking and biking comfortable. Temple City: community healthy hiking challenge. DTLA: car-free friendly. Sun Valley: close hiking trails. South Pasadena: small town feel, easy to get to DTLA. El Sereno: hills and landscape. NE San Fernando Valley: mountains. Baldwin Park: new Green Party Mayor.

Community needs include the following:

- DTLA needs shade trees to make walking more comfortable.
- Temple City lacks designated walking and bike paths and connectivity between cities.
- El Monte: Resident lives in a mobile home where the city has been cutting down trees. Home gardeners would like water capturing solutions and rain barrels. El Monte mobile home community needs trees and greenery to improve the air quality and create space for children to play safely. Homelessness is a growing issue in El Monte. Find new ways to make affordable housing. Build parks and housing units.
- Baldwin Park is park poor. There is a lot of green space in schools that cannot be accessed by the general public. There should be better coordination between the school district and city to open green space up to the public after school hours. Why were trees cut down in the process of building a bike lane? trees would make the bike lane more comfortable to use.

Water-related issues of greatest concern included: 1. Access to water for recreation and ceremony. 2. Trees 3. Flooding. 4. Pollution.

Photo (flyer):

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WaterTalks is a public program designed to generate and increase community involvement in planning a sustainable water future for California. Its goal is to explore the strengths and opportunities of 128 communities in Los Angeles and Ventura counties facing ongoing economic and environmental distress, and to gather input to prioritize and recommend water-related projects based on issues of greatest concern.

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What are the three things your community needs the most?

¿Cuáles son las tres cosas que más necesita su comunidad?

What water-related issues are of greatest concern in your community?

¿Qué problemas relacionados con el agua son de mayor preocupación en su comunidad?

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