

B&BCAG

Bryte & Broderick Community Action Group

October 21, 2008 Community Forum PARTICIPANT NOTES

SENIORS

- In case of suspected fraud or scam, notify Adult Protective Services
- Could City make up difference to Meals on Wheels (funds cut off by Governor)
- Develop transportation system for seniors with private companies/organizations (cabs, faith-based, bus). Maybe advanced scheduling for pickups

COMMUNITY GARDENS AND PARKS

- Need an accessible farmers market for Broderick/Bryte. Ideal site - Hobson and Bryte. Need to identify owner
- Identify City owned property for market
- Grants for funding water for gardens
- community linking farmers markets with schools
- Sustainability
- Soccer lighting
- Farmers market at San Pedro Park
- City pays for water for community gardens
- Seek a federal or state grant for: solar lighting in parks, cisterns/rain water capture systems for community gardens, seed money
- Grants for community gardens and farmers markets: Dept of Parks and Recreation, urban greening grant programs
- Nonprofit organizations likely to get seed money
- Would the City help with the water for community gardens?

BEAUTIFICATION AND UPGRADES

- School bus tours of historical and other points of interest in B&B with expert explainers at each site. Yolo Bus can provide buses
- West Sac is closest residential area to Old Sac historical area - make better use of them and appreciate our river and railroad heritage.
- Weed abatement notice more than 1 time per year
- garden club
- speed bumps
- home beautification project
- signs on posts - certain person to take down signs on Monday
- get rid of broken chain link fences

- weed abatement
- Youth service- you pick up trash and you get a bus pass
- High School community service
- Gardening contest
- tour of Victorian homes
- Need to develop plan to upgrade and beautify Sunset, Sacramento and Reed ave landscapes
- Need to plan for small community parks in the Bryte core community. Vacant property is available but may not be available shortly

TRANSPORTATION

- Plan for future Amtrak stop in Wes Sac - to connect the SF, Davis, Roseville and points south via hi speed rail. Would be economic engine for West Sac, especially B&B
- Shuttles
- Talking to Yolo Bus transit about transfers
- Publish bus maps in local papers or make schedules more available
- How to get bus stop relocated
- Need far quicker way to use 2 buses in W Sac to get to destination
- More sidewalks
- Transit plan needs to be redone
- fares are too high
- Volunteer of America Program???

SCHOOLS

- Professional/technical sponsor for high school clubs- link up adult pros with youth
- Do we have any private tech schools located in West Sac? If so, is there a way we can partner with them now to give our youth an option now?
- Some kind of representation in the Bryte and Broderick area in the new high school, like a wall mural created by local residents young and old
- Foster grandparents program
- Adult education
- Parent involvement - parent teacher home visit program, higher API
- Seniors mentoring program with youth
- Integrate history program with West Sac history
- Have tour of history
- How to get the ethnic communities involved in education
- Interested in schools preparing secondary level students for community college or university

COMMUNITY EVENTS AND QUICK FIXES

- More picnic tables in Westfield Elementary School
- Community garden
- Monthly donations for food bank
- Garden tours of homes
- Small green parks for seniors in Bryte and Broderick
- Support community picnic
- assist seniors by offering help to clean up yards, garages
- River bank cleanup
- waste pick up
- Electronic waste collection day
- park cleanup
- food drives
- garden tours
- Museum/history
- Teen center after school programs
- Community Center various events
- music/concerts
- spring picnic
- fund raiser for 2008 - not enough time to plan. Put it in the agenda for next year.
- home garden tour

CODE ENFORCEMENT

- Post on City website major problem properties and owners; status of complaint; maybe publish in paper
- Non operable cars must not be visible to public
- Recycling on Harbor Blvd twice a year
- Louise will try to have fliers delivered to rental mailboxes
- Cars parked on properties
- organizing litter pickup "Clean up Neighborhoods"

YOUNG ADULTS

- Culinary Club that does voluntary catering and gets professional mentoring and exposure at different restaurants.
- Set up flier network so youth deliver fliers to every home once a month. To distribute school, City, Neighborhood Association, and Block Association news and free-cycle (giveaway) classified. One block per youth. paid \$10 per month
- Boys and Girls club
- Newsletter (monthly) to advise of programs/activities (career skills, financial education, pre-school openings)

- More signs on street corners to advertise things, events (like they do for free trees). More people see signs that info on computers
- Have a baseball tour during school time. I think some of the families won't come on weekends. Do it a Riverbank and Yolo high schools.
- Positive police and youth interaction - basketball tournament Nov 8
- Youth soccer that is not a sponsored team with \$\$\$ - too expensive.
- West Sac Resource Coalition - need to partner
- Boys and Girls Club - need food, place for homework.
- other "club opportunity"

INJUNCTION/POLICE RELATIONS

- Have to get police out of their cars
- meet our kids
- neighborhood meetings with police
- other gangs
- how to have safe community
- check pts. drivers license/insurance
- neighborhood watch
- community oriented policing
- outreach youth workers
- role models/mentoring (Stockton model although larger community)
- Career Fair
- Employment
- Apprenticeship Programs
- Community college Voc Ed programs
- How about a Boys and Girls Club program/
- Summer and year round youth employment and training opportunities
- Provide positive alternatives for youth
- More community projects
- education/youth education
- phone calls
- language programs, classes
- Job fairs
- rewarding students
- community study/independent study
- To improve community relationship with the police
- police interacting with community kids
- 10 out of 41 field officers
- Call to speak to on-duty supervisor - not an emergency line - holds police officers accountable

- Ask officer for reason for stop — probable cause
- increase police training: cultural sensitivity training; apply rules/policies/etc fairly, justly across the board
- Increase police involvement in community: Pick program expanded at all schools; programs aimed at teens, young adults.
- Get rid of injunction - application is racist!
- Take complaints from community residents (regarding harassment - police) seriously. Don't spend money on studying "the problem". Acknowledge that there is a problem and make changes necessary
- Critical to establish positive relationship with community (all ages) - do so by being Fair, Just, Non Racist, and cease and desist all harassment. No one should be stopped for merely being brown (or suspected member of gang)
- PIC -Police Interacting Kids
- Call on duty supervisor for help in incident
- Visits from officers at several sites just to socialize and get to know community members
- Having a police presence at National Night Out in August yearly is important but all the loud sirens, red lights, etc was over-done. Neighbors told us that they were coming to our event at San Pedro Park but thought we had been "busted" so stayed home
- Block BBQ - police officers to visit and talk to the people to build relationship
- How about specific officers be assigned to a community or street so we know our officers by name