

Alameda County — South Hayward Parish

Plan Bay Area Community-Based Outreach

Outreach area:

Hayward/Union City, California

Outreach description:

Outreach in April and May 2011 through city leadership trainings, a community fair, the food pantry at the day labor center, and one community meeting on May 23, 2011

Participants: 167

(Note: Not everyone voted in all segments of the outreach.)

Priority Transportation Investment Strategies

Participants were given 21 options for investing future transportation funding and asked to select their top six priorities.

Rank	Strategy
1	Expand commuter rail services (BART, Caltrain, etc.)
2	More transit service to connect housing and jobs
3	Invest more transportation funds to support cities that build new housing near transit that is affordable for Bay Area residents with limited income
4	Add more bike paths/bike lanes
5	Expand express bus and local bus services
6	Widen freeways paid for with existing sources of funds

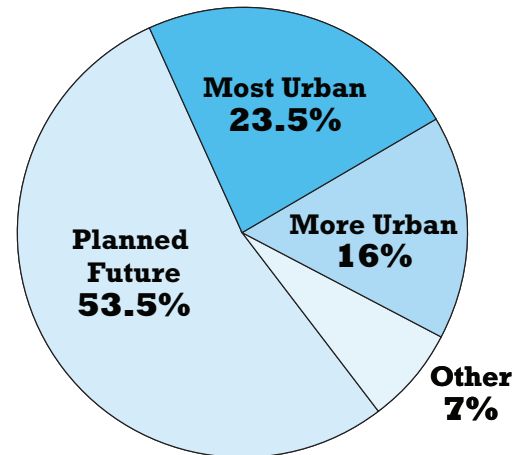
Priority Policy Initiatives

Participants were given six options for new policies that could be adopted (at the local, regional, state or federal level) and asked to select their top three.

Rank	Initiative
1	Economic strategies (e.g., development strategies to protect existing jobs, create new jobs, or preserve warehouse/industrial sites)
2	New requirements for employers (e.g. allow employees to work from home one day per week; allow employees to pay for transit with pre-tax dollars, etc.)
3	Electric vehicles (e.g., subsidize the purchase/ lease of electric vehicles and hybrids; increase availability of electric vehicle chargers)

How will we grow?

Participants were asked to choose a preferred scenario for future growth, with "Planned Future" (labeled "current Plans") reflecting adopted MTC and ABAG plans, and "More Urban" and "Most Urban" applying increasingly higher concentrations of housing and development.



Comments

Participants who took the survey were asked what one thing in their neighborhood (and in the Bay Area) they would like to see changed, and what one thing they would most like to keep. Some participants also submitted general comments on a separate comment card. Below are the most common responses and comments in no particular order.

- Maintain the current diversity and sense of community in South Alameda County
- Protect and expand open space in the form of public parks, recreation areas
- Maintain neighborhood safety; decrease crime, violence and drug culture
- Create a more pedestrian/bike-friendly community
- Streamline connection process between transportation systems
- Improve the frequency and reliability of bus service
- Expand affordable housing options
- Improve local job opportunities
- Improve streets and fix potholes
- Create locally-run shuttles to provide access to basic necessities in the community
- Organize more "Spare the Air" days

**PLAN BAY AREA — SPRING 2011 COMMUNITY-BASED OUTREACH COMMENTS
SOUTH HAYWARD PARISH — HAYWARD/UNION CITY**

Below are all comments received in response to the following two-part question.

QUESTION 4a

What is the one thing in your neighborhood or community that you would most like to keep ? What one thing in the Bay Area would you like to keep ?

COMMENT

Hope redevelopment agencies in this area would focus funds to improve traffic rather than displace lower income communities into non-existence or forced into homelessness. It happens too often (Speak Newark).

Keep free mobility and less gas emissions and others.

Keep community organizations, groups connecting our interests and each other.

Keep the Bay Area as clean as it is- not a lot of trash in the streets.

The former exercise path/walkway along Mission Blvd because it encourages walking.

Open spaces.

Community parks in good condition.

Easy access to SF and Oakland (museums, etc.)

Small businesses.

Bike lanes.

Law enforcement, budget cuts have taken a toll.

BART

Parks are helpful for families and children. I feel parks are very important and should be maintained.

Parks, gyms, recreation centers, libraries.

More parks.

Bus stops.

The landmark history parks.

Bay Area: keep the city transportation (BART, Muni, AC Transit).

Funding for youth/transportation.

Kennedy Park near me with several things for children to visit. For the future of the city, it's important to keep.

Open space.

Organizations that help the homeless.

Low rents.

All parks.

Recreation, parks, schools and current housing is beneficial as is and does not need to be replaced by shopping centers.

Keep schools open.

All except the camera on the stoplight section.

Food banks.

Parks and recreation for children.

The fellowship and unity.

The A's in Oakland

Parks and pools.

The playgrounds with better play yard equipment.

School services and jobs for young people.

Waste management and garbage service.

Public parks.

Keep parks and federal land out of the private sector.

Nude beaches, parades and music.

Putting money back into schools, not into new buses.

School funding

Open spaces.

Ferry services.

I would most like to keep the strong sense of community and pride.

Parks and areas that seem safe and clean.

Keep community events and diversity.

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COMMENT

Architecture and landscapes.

Trees for shade.

Spare the Air days.

Keep current bus stops.

BART, bus, cheap bus fare.

After-school programs.

Neighborhood- the nice, quiet neighborhood feeling that we have.

Community activities for good causes, like Relay for Life

The BART is perfect.

Access to park areas that are very close.

Jobs - without a way to make a living, the Bay Area will decline like other major cities have in the USA.

City parks and natural resources.

Many people who live in Hayward benefit from all the aid and community outreach.

Bike lanes are important because many Hayward residents use bikes as their only mode of transportation. Having

How people help one another.

Marina in Pittsburg, scenic roads and local parks.

Bus service.

Keep the transportation options we have. Don't take any options away.

I want to keep the fact that we are very diverse and we respect each other.

Parks and trees.

Everything is close in proximity. Right balance of commerce and residential area.

Everything that exists. Diversity and cultures.

Keep everything very clean, maintain very clean. No more pollution.

AC Transit plu locations.

Reasonable housing.

Keep the city clean.

Keep the old buildings.

Mural artwork.

The landscape and sense of community.

Tranquility and peace.

Nearby stores.

Bus transit and local stores.

Clean streets.

The privacy of each property.

Transportation.

Parks and conservation.

Maintain clean and recycle.

Keep bike lanes.

Parks and recreation.

Diversity.

Parks.

Neighborhood watch.

Natural beauty.

More affordable housing.

Parks for children and school activities.

Libraries and schools.

Keep the community workers that help the people.

BART, Caltrain, capitol corridor.

The convenience of having easy access to stores, BART, roads and freeways.

That there not be drug addiction.

Clean and recycle.

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COMMENT

Surveillance.

Cleanliness.

Green parks.

Shape of community.

Keep the lights correct so it doesn't cause that much traffic.

Public transportation at a reasonable price. BART and bus routes.

Parks.

Parks, trees, sports fields.

Parks and schools.

Parks for kids and help centers.

Libraries.

Green areas. More insider places for our kids to play sports like Mark Jimenez Recreation Center.

AC transit- increase routes.

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QUESTION 4b

What is the one thing in your neighborhood or community that you would most like to **change** ? What one thing in the Bay Area would you like to **change** ?

COMMENT

Do not replace individually-owned properties into gated communities. It disenfranchises a group of people who cannot defend themselves legally.

Hayward needs better transportation for individuals to get to work, stores, parks, etc.

Better connectivity between transportation types, AC transit, BART, ferries.

Better access to transportation for low-income individuals.

Stop the crime, violence, graffiti. Need more lighting in our streets.

Put utility and phone lines underground.

Spend less money on freeways improvements, more on BART, bus, light rail.

To change the buses to the old way because it was better.

The steady elimination of bus service. Stop expanding freeways and increase public access to transportation. Instead of "beautifying" Mission Blvd, build a light rail system through E. 19. That would be progress.

There should be more gathering like this to let the community know what's going on.

More affordable housing and public transit.

More bus service. Number of potholes in street and freeways.

Long bus routes which consist of more than one transfer. Certain trips should be made without stops to cut travel time.

More activities.

More lanes for traffic reduction.

Transportation- can it be like New York where most people have no need for personal cars.

There is a lot of work going on Mission, it has been going on for months now and causing extreme back-up, maybe having a faster time at which it should be done.

Community solidarity through focusing on downtown.

Make roads smoother. Have more lanes in freeway (92).

Fix the roads better.

More local affordable housing in the Bay Area in neighborhoods; more jobs.

Reduce transportation prices.

Many of the buses I take only run once an hour and stop early. More frequency and later hours. Empty lots that I think should be used for something like community gardens to bring people together.

Affordable mass transit, modeled after Wash, DC Metro. \$5 all day except during rush hour.

Stop littering and graffiti. Take pride, keep clean.

Need more jobs for the people.

Gang violence.

Create more jobs so people don't have to leave, use tax revenue to improve schools and police services.

People you try to help out steal your money. Stop hookers at Islander Hotel.

Stop funding projects that are not beneficial to the community. For instance, we have enough shopping centers. What we need is to preserve what we've got.

Put more speed bumps and better lighting in my neighborhood.

Bay Area: fix the streets and pot holes

Make it safer for kids.

The camera on a stop light at an intersection.

Public transportation more accessible. More BART police.

Stop the use of funding to build on to shopping center. Use funding toward educational opportunities.

Continue safe and healthy communities.

I would like to see a full-service truck stop in either West Oakland or Hayward to relieve congestion along the I-80/I-880 corridor and allow truckers a safe and regulated space to park.

Parks and pools.

Clean up the drug traffic in East Oakland. More respect from law enforcement for seniors.

More bus lines.

QUESTION 4b
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COMMENT
Rent control. More housing for elderly.
Bus, AC trans.
The smoking laws. More places for kids to do things.
I can't ride my bike on the 92 East so I have to make a long detour to get to Safeway. Major bunk.
Repair road that in really needed.
Sidewalks in Castro Valley. No incarceration of nonviolence offenders.
More attention to global warming.
One thing I would change in my neighborhood is more safety for the younger children (i.e.- crossing guards).
In Alameda County I would like to help build self-sustainability for the less fortunate.
Streets need to be maintained clean and new lighting in dark and unprotected areas.
I would like to change our ghetto stereotype. The thing I would change in the Bay Area is to be more eco-friendly.
How long it takes to get around Hayward on the AC transit.
Easier ways to get to various locations with no car.
Bay Area: freeways congestion, working on streets during commute hours.
More bike paths/possibly bike to work days.
The violence and crimes and drugs increase more parks and things for children to do. Lower rent prices.
Bigger bus stop signs so that bus drivers can see potential passengers.
When purchasing new buses, consider smaller buses for use during off-commute hours.
We need more low income housing for low income families.
Make homeless housing, jobs, transportation available.
I would like to see a cleaner and more safe community areas in the Alameda County area.
Make all buses run later into the evening.
Community: being passed over for new attractions.
Schools in Hayward have such large numbers of students in their classes, that teaching is much more limited than before. We need to prioritize funding for education and healthcare. More programs (extra-curricular) for at-risk students.
More buses running to and from the BART/university would be a great help. Parks are torn down and there is little place of recreation in the community.
I might bus to work if there was a direct bus from the Fairway Park area to 92.
Economic development (For jobs)
Continued safety. I don't want to live in the Wild West or like Mexico today.
Make BART more accessible and affordable. More public transport/maybe more light rail systems. Encourage bike safe road development.
More incentives for public to take public transportation.
Better schools teach more about life. Stop crime and more outlets for our kids.
Transit expansion.
More bike lanes and sidewalks. Widen major roads and fill potholes.
Potholes in my local roads.
Convenient ways to get through the tolls- not FasTrak.
Public transportation needs to be comfortable, safe and fast.
Widen lanes.
More money toward schools.
More bike lanes should be added in order to encourage bikers to use the street. The sidewalks became full between pedestrians and bike lanes. Too many potholes.
Street paving, fill potholes.
White lines and yellow lines refreshed (e.g. Industrial Parkway)
Improved safety in Hayward.
Improved public transportation, frequency of service. Improved cleanliness of public transportation. Improve Tennyson Road area.
Transportation via cars.
More frequent bus service and repair all the pavement.
Extend BART service from Fremont to San Jose.

QUESTION 4b

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COMMENT

Better and more accurate bus schedules to and from the Hayward (downtown BART) location.

The disregard of esthetics of neighborhoods and business roadways.

The amount of development of open space adjacent to established neighborhoods (Hillside Development especially).

Safety.

Traffic situation.

I don't condone the redevelopment of shopping centers/buildings that would cause gentrification or closing of public schools. Having more homeless would essentially lower the economy and education is key as well.

High gas prices.

Increase bus routes, also having them more often on schedule helps with pedestrians and bikers.

Potholes.

Some trees.

Get rid of all drug addicts and gangs.

Don't allow single passenger vehicles in HOV lanes.

Change the idea that taking mass transit is for second class status.

The Bay Area is not biker friendly. Make more bike roads or widen. This would encourage others to bike.

Unsafe streets. Violence.

Let there be more safety so that there's not a lot of vandalism.

Violence would be the main thing.

I live on an open long street. I can't really say anything is ok.

I would like to see more greenways. Less violent neighborhood.

Violence in the streets.

More AC transit busses.

Decrease public transportation fares.

What I'd like to change about my neighborhood is to have more use of public transportation at better cost.

Add sidewalks.

More community centers/programs (free) for high school students.

Fix potholes the correct way.

More sidewalks and pedestrian paths.

Cost of living.

Roads and lights.

Violence- put more sub-stations.

More options to get to work.

Traffic.

Reduce crime and fix the freeways.

Violence. No drugs.

Public transit

Trimming empty lots

I would change the lack of respect for the people in the community.

Increase low-cost, no-cost transportation options for seniors.

That the city have more responsibility regarding maintenance, appearance and cleanliness in South Hayward.

More cleanliness on the streets.

Public transportation at a better cost.

Drug addiction.

There should be more police on the streets that have stop signs. When we take our children to school, we have to stop so the cars can go by and it should be the other way around. They should have to stop so that we can cross.

More green space/vegetation.

Keep our city clean.

Ease of access. Cost.

How fast they are working on Mission Blvd.

More people involved in helping troubled youth in the Bay Area.

More jobs available.

QUESTION 4b

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COMMENT

Food and banking services more evenly distributed around communities.

Streets and front lawns cleaner.

Saving water devices/gardens.

Street safety.

More safe bike lanes and pedestrian lanes.

Outlets for youth (sports leagues, after school programs)

Safer roads

More recreation parks for kids and more help with childcare.

Emphasize carless living.

Local city-run bus shuttles that loop neighborhoods and give people access to shopping and services. Low cost or free.