Project Overview

- The Strategic Growth Council (SGC) is awarding DPR $1,000,000 to prepare Six Community Parks and Recreation Plans

- SGC received 110+ applications from cities and counties across California, of which only 27 are awarded funding

- DPR is the only park and recreation agency selected for the grant
Grant Objectives

- Create parks and green space
- Improve infrastructure
- Improve air and water quality
- Protect natural resources
- Promote water conservation and energy efficiency
- Help the economy
Community Parks and Recreation Plans

- Parks and recreation plans for six unincorporated communities:
  - East Los Angeles
  - East Rancho Dominguez
  - Lennox
  - Walnut Park
  - Willowbrook
  - West Athens - Westmont
Outcomes

- Park Design Concept Plans
- Land and Funding Opportunities identified
- Joint Use Opportunities and Strategies
Outcomes

- Community Park and Recreation Plans developed through a comprehensive community input process
Outcomes

- Established Relationships with Community Members and Partner Agencies
Project Team

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Creating Healthy Outdoor Environments

EAST LOS ANGELES
COMMUNITY PARKS AND RECREATION PLAN
LA Neighborhood Land Trust: Process

- The LA Neighborhood Land Trust’s community-based process enables neighbors to take control of their environment and cultivate healthier lives.

- Through grassroots efforts, residents help transform blighted vacant land into urban parks and gardens that inspire pride throughout the entire community.
Community Engagement Strategy

- Stakeholder Meetings
- Community Surveys
- Focus Groups
- Community Input Workshops
- Tabling
- Tours
- Community Outreach Fair
- Youth Engagement Activities
Existing Parks and Schools
## Existing Parks

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Transportation and Safety

Parklands
- County Parks
- Cemeteries
- Schools

Public Transit Network
- Metro Rail Gold Line Station
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- Bus Stops
- Bus Routes

Bicycle Network
- Existing Bike Routes
- Proposed Bike Routes

Pedestrian and Bicycle Collisions
- High Concentration (67)
- Low Concentration (1)

37 Concentration of Collisions within 500 feet

Community Parks and Recreation Plan
Questions?
Small Group Exercise
## Tasks and Schedule

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Next Steps

- Community Tour: Fall 2013
- Community Design Workshop: Fall 2013
- Community Fair: Spring 2014

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