PURPOSE OF THE PLAN

The purpose of the Plan is to provide a vision and roadmap for a greener Lennox, including a more extensive network of publicly-accessible green spaces and recreational facilities, as well as environmental enhancement projects. More importantly, the Plan provides specific implementation actions to be taken by the County. These will require establishing and strengthening partnerships in order to help reach the vision of a greener, safer and healthier community. The Plan builds on previous planning efforts and is a response to community needs and call for future greening in Lennox.

PARKS AND GREENING PROFILE

Lennox has a severe deficit of parkland. The community only has one park, Lennox Park, which is approximately 5.6 acres in size. The Los Angeles County General Plan sets a standard of 4 acres of local parks per 1,000 residents. Lennox currently has a population of about 23,000 residents which means the community only has approximately 0.2 acres of local parks per 1,000 residents, a figure significantly below the General Plan standard.

Access to Lennox Park is also not consistent throughout the community. Thirty-six percent of the Lennox population is not within walking distance (1/2 mile) of Lennox Park or any other park in the area. Other local environmental issues create a high community need for increased parks and green spaces. These include high levels of emissions and noise from nearby freeways and the Los Angeles International Airport (LAX), low urban tree canopy coverage, as well as a challenging pedestrian and bicycle environment. Access Through Partnerships provides a community-based master plan and implementation strategy for parks and urban greening for Lennox.

ENVIRONMENTAL BENEFITS OF EXISTING PARK

- 154,806 gallons of stormwater intercepted annually
- 158 pounds of reduced air pollutants annually
- 11,589 tons of CO₂ sequestered annually

Where are parks most needed in Lennox?
LENNOX GREEN VISION MAP

This map identifies potential park, trail, and greening projects that may be implemented in the short, medium, and/or long term to meet the needs of Lennox.
GOALS FOR LENNOX

1. Develop a working model with Lennox schools to formalize joint use.
2. Partner with community groups to develop small green spaces to fill the parkland gap.
3. Utilize “pop-up” interventions to create green space in the short term.
4. Ensure that facilities and programs meet community needs and that the community is included in decision-making processes.
5. Expand recreational opportunities within Lennox to include civic spaces that support community interaction, cultural identity, and commercial enterprise.
6. Increase the sense of nature within Lennox Park, future green spaces, and in the everyday lives of Lennox residents.
7. Maintain and enhance Lennox’s urban forest.
8. Focus on multi-benefit urban greening projects that optimize environmental services.
9. Create a community walking trail network along sidewalks, freeway buffers, and public land.

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Conceptual Proposal for Lennox

Service improvements
(with the addition of potential new parks)

- Parkland Acres
  - Increase of 19 acres of parkland

- Total Population Served
  - Increase of 46% in service
  - 6,600 people newly served

- Youth Population (Under 18) Served
  - Increase of 47% in service
  - 2,200 youth newly served

Graphs show improvements based on the addition of high priority park projects.

NOTE: This concept proposal is intended to highlight potential from an urban greening and park access perspective. Exact layout of features would require future engineering study and partnership with Los Angeles County Department of Public Works.
CONCEPTUAL FREEWAY POCKET PARK

CONCEPTUAL POP-UP PARK AT LA METRO PARKING & RIDE LOT

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