

Connect SoCal 2024 Outreach: Workshop Summary

Imperial County (by board)

El Centro Library

3 sessions; April 18 (12-3 p.m.; 4-6 p.m.), April 19 (10 a.m. - 12 p.m.)

Total Attendance: 19

<i>Challenges</i>	
<i>What challenges do you face today? (written comments)</i>	<i>How might we make the future better? (written comments)</i>
Lack of Low-income housing is still a very big issue.	Work with housing funding grants.
Evictions, people can't find other housing.	Apply for funding and invest in recreation facilities.
Jobs still an issue.	Funding.
Not enough indoor facilities to be physically active.	More new restaurants.
Mentorship for higher education is needed.	Work with Schools.
Housing shortage.	Recreational activities to benefit physical health.
Housing affordability.	Need more funding.
Healthcare equity.	Better Sidewalks.
Streets are in bad condition.	Funding for technical assistance. .
First-Last mile projects.	Lobby and provide funding for at-risk health care services.
	Incentivizing housing diversity.
	Air quality enforcement.
	Eliminate Agricultural burning.
	More electric transit options.
	Salton Sea Restoration.
	Job training/job opportunities.
	Equity would mean more investment in rural communities IE transit that equal investment or proportional investment

<i>Equity and Resilience</i>		
<i>How can we make the region more equitable? (written comments)</i>	<i>Do you have feed back on the above criteria or suggestions for other populations we should focus on? (written comments)</i>	<i>How can we make our region more resilient? (written comments)</i>
Investment opportunities in known underserved sub-communities for economic growth and housing;	Social skills, life skills for youth in communications and financial guidance and proper etiquette;	More job training;
more funding for counties with transportation needs that have smaller populations;	LGBT	more businesses,
inclusion, take these meetings to the public, more outreach needed;		more family shelters and homes,
have more indoor places to be physically active;		more jobs, TED workshops;
more places indoors for kids to play;		invest in best resilient practices to be proactive; climate, natural disasters, pandemics, economic downturns
more indoor playgrounds;		
employment basics and internship opportunities		

<i>Economy</i>	
<i>What Economic Challenges do you see in the future? (written comments)</i>	<i>How can we Ensure that Benefits of the Growing Economy are Accessible to all? (written comments)</i>
Housing variety is attainable. Proportionality vs. regionality.	Access to higher education locally.
Inflation. Financial uncertainty.	Access to education/training opportunities tied to job opportunities.
Low housing attainability.	Variety in housing types.
Poor air quality.	Expand and invest in higher education to expand options for education.
Low household income.	A multi faceted approach to educate, facilitate interest, motivate people with real life opportunities that include underserved communities.
	Provide training to families.
	Promote seniors.

<i>Community</i>	
<i>It's 2050. What do you Want your Community Look Like? (dot voting)</i>	
<i>Housing that is Affordable to people of all Income Levels</i>	6 votes
<i>More commercial Destinations</i>	8 votes
<i>More Parks and Open Space and Preservation of Farm Lands</i>	4 votes
<i>More public safety and health services</i>	8 votes
<i>Better Jobs Closer to Home</i>	6 votes
<i>Any other Solutions?</i>	
More schools (universities)	

<i>Comment Card</i>	
<i>Public Comment Card Information</i>	
Would like more information/to be on mailing list. The workshop uses simple tools which make people's participation easier. Staff stimulates people's participation.	Name: Viviane Kraieski de Assunaquio, SDSN

<i>Mobility</i>	
<i>It's 2050 How do you Want to Get Around in your Community? (dot voting)</i>	
<i>More access to transit options?</i>	4 votes
<i>More comfortable routes for walking, biking, rolling?</i>	5 votes
<i>More Destinations that can be reached by walking, biking or rolling?</i>	3 votes
<i>Reduced Travel Times Regardless of Mode?</i>	1 vote
<i>Improved Street Quality?</i>	6 votes
<i>Improved Street Safety?</i>	4 votes
<i>More Incentives and Infrastructure for Zero Emission Vehicles?</i>	7 votes
<i>Additional comments placed on Mobility station board</i>	
Bulb outs for safety and more pedestrian islands	

<i>Environment</i>	
<i>It's 2050. Have we Done Enough to Ensure the Region Remains Vibrant and Healthy? Which are most important to do in the next one to five years? (dot voting)</i>	
<i>To Reduce Region's Impact on Climate: (dot voting)</i>	
<i>Expand Incentives and Infrastructure for Clean Vehicles, such as Rebates and Chargers</i>	3 votes
<i>Expand Bikeshare, Carshare and Vanpool Programs</i>	2 votes
<i>Improve Pedestrian Infrastructure, Including Adding Trees and Vegetation Near Sidewalks</i>	5 votes
<i>Improve Bicycle Networks</i>	2 votes
<i>Increase Jobs and Housing Near Transit and Within Existing Communities</i>	3 votes
<i>Conserve Natural Lands, Parks, Open Spaces and Areas Where Wildlife Thrives</i>	1 vote
<i>Encourage Future Developments to be Built within Existing Urban and Suburban Areas</i>	2 votes
<i>To Reduce our Regional Risk from Climate Hazards - which are most important to tackle in the next one to five years?</i>	
<i>Ensure Preservation and Resilience of the Transportation System</i>	3 votes
<i>Provide Shade Near Bus Stops and Rail Stations</i>	3 votes
<i>Protect and Maintain Natural and Agricultural Lands</i>	2 votes
<i>Adapt to Sea Level Rise by Protecting Shoreline Communities</i>	0 votes
<i>Retrofit Existing Buildings to withstand climate hazards</i>	2 votes
<i>Reduce Urban Heat Island Effect by Enhancing the Urban Tree Canopy</i>	2 votes
<i>Avoid Growth in Areas at Risk of Wildfires, Sea Level Rise, Flooding, Landslides and Other Natural Disasters</i>	2 votes
<i>Additional comments placed on Environment station board</i>	
N/A	