



## Agenda & Activities

### 1. Introduction: Making Great Places through Community Planning (15 minutes)

#### *Icebreaker*

- Say hi to the person sitting next to you and discuss your favorite place to eat in this area or in neighboring communities

#### *What is an Area/Community Plan?*

- A Plan provides a vision for the community and develops recommendations for community improvements.
- Working with residents, businesses, and elected officials, the plan creates a blueprint to guide development and prioritizes actions/programs for positive change.

#### *What do we consider in creating a Plan?*

- Look at all pieces of a community and how they fit together – roads, buildings, parks, commercial centers, housing, etc.
- Review what's working and what isn't by gathering and analyzing information, with input from community members.
- Ask questions:
  - What can and should happen in the community?
  - What are the community needs and desires?
  - Where can we direct growth and development?

#### *What is the goal of an Area/Community plan?*

To help develop communities of lasting value by:

- Maximizing the health, safety, and well-being of all residents.
- Offering options for where and how people live and work.
- Creating options for getting around and transportation.
- Improving gathering places and creating vibrant communities
- Supporting opportunities for learning and recreation.

### 2. East San Gabriel Valley Area Plan (15 minutes)

- ESGV Area Plan Breakdown
  - Policy, Actions, Tools
  - Area, population, and communities
- ESGVAP Outreach –
  - Online and In-Person Strategy, Website, Blog, A People's Map
- Avocado Heights Community Outreach Summary –
  - Overview of topics discussed at previous meetings



### 3. Activity 1: Place It!

- Goal – To understand qualities of places that reflect personal values and experience. This activity will help us think about what we find important in places.
- Ground Rules
  - With the materials in front of you, create your favorite childhood memory. (10 minutes).
  - Share Your Favorite Childhood Memory. *Why is it your favorite childhood memory? What does your favorite memory say about what you value about places?* (10 minutes).
  - Large Group Share. *Let's list what we care about in our favorite memories. What makes them memorable? What qualities do they share?* (15 minutes)

### 4. Activity 2: Community Opportunities -

- Goal - List key issues and opportunities in the community. Build on the values we've listed. How can our values in places inform the next set of questions?
  - Opportunities & Concerns: *List at least three issues and three opportunities for each category, feel free to add categories as needed. Be as specific as possible and include the specific location if relevant.* (10 minutes)
    - *Housing & Neighborhoods*
    - *Land Use & Community Design*
    - *Transportation & Mobility*
    - *Open Space & Sustainability*
    - *Jobs, Services, & Local Economy*
  - Share and Prioritize. *Prioritize the top three issues and top three opportunities for each topic.* (20 minutes).
  - Large Group Share. *Let's list what the top three issues and opportunities are for each group.* (25 minutes)

**Which community do you live in?** \_\_\_\_\_

**A. Housing & Neighborhoods**

*Opportunity -*

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*Issue -*

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**B. Land Use & Community Design**

*Opportunity -*

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*Issue -*

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**C. Transportation – walking, biking, driving, transit, rideshare, horseriding**

*Opportunity -*

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*Issue -*

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