

Get Involved in Planning the Future of Your Parks!

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The San Francisco Planning Department and the Mayor's Open Space Task Force are currently seeking input from San Francisco residents to create a vision for our neighborhood parks and open spaces for the next 100 years. San Francisco citizens are being asked to participate in this process to update the ROSE (Recreation and Open Space Element of the General Plan),

which will provide a blueprint for park planning and uses through the next century.

The Neighborhood Parks Council is conducting community meetings in every neighborhood in the City to generate citizen input that will capture creative, innovative and visionary ideas for the future of San Francisco's parks and open spaces. I am facilitating workshops at many of these community meetings across the City and invite you to join me to help ensure that our parks and open spaces are thriving, usable, accessible and sustainable.

Below is the calendar of community meetings currently scheduled for the remainder of March and early April. More are added each week so be sure to check these websites to find out when a meeting will be held in your neighborhood: <http://openspace.sfplanning.org/> or www.sfnpc.org You can also fill out a survey on the city's open space website to say what you want in your neighborhood parks and in the city's parks overall.

Some meetings have already been held, so if you don't see your neighborhood on the list, feel free to attend any community meeting to help plan the future of your parks.

Please share this email with friends, colleagues, organizations, members or groups who want to help improve and protect San Francisco's parks and open spaces.

Parks and Open Space Community Meetings 2009 (as of March 6, 2009)

Marina Neighborhood Community Open Space Workshop (District 2) Tuesday, March 10, 2009 6-8 PM Location: George R Moscone Rec Center, 1800 Chestnut St San Francisco, CA 94123 Host: Marina Community Association
Facilitator: Dee Dee Workman

Western Addition/Fillmore Community Open Space Workshop (District 5)

Wednesday, March 11, 2009
6-8 PM
Location: Western Addition Branch Library (1550 Scott Street)
Host: Friends of Kimbell Park
Facilitator: Kelly Quirke

Russian Hill/North Beach Workshop (District 3)

Monday, March 16, 2009
6- 8 PM
Location: Joe DiMaggio Rec Center, 651 Lombard Street, San Francisco CA 94133
Host: Telegraph Hill Dwellers, North Beach Neighbors, & Russian Hill Improvement Association
Facilitator: Dee Dee Workman

SOMA Neighborhood Community Open Space Workshop (District 6)

Wednesday, March 18, 2009
6-8 PM
Location: the Arc of San Francisco, 1500 Howard St., San Francisco, CA 94103
Host: SoMa Leadership Council
Facilitator: Kelly Quirke

Mission Dolores/Noe Valley Community Open Space Workshop

Tuesday, March 24, 2009
6-8 PM
Location: Mission Playground Rec Center, 3555 19th St San Francisco CA 94110
Facilitator: Dee Dee Workman

Haight/Buena Vista/Cole Valley Community Open Space Workshop

Wednesday, March 25, 2009

6 – 8 PM

Location: Park Branch Library, 1833 Page Street San Francisco CA 94117

Host: Friends of Buena Vista Park

Facilitator: Kelly Quirke

Duboce/Castro/Market Community Open Space Workshop

Thursday, March 26 2009

6–8 PM

Location: CPMC Davies Campus Auditorium, Castro Street and Duboce, San Francisco CA 94117

Host: Friends of Duboce Park

Facilitator: Dee Dee Workman

Citywide Youth Workshop

Monday, March 30, 2009

6 – 8 PM

Location: Gallanter Hall, 2nd floor of JCCSF, 3200 California St., San Francisco, CA

Host: Jewish Community Center of San Francisco

Facilitator: Dee Dee Workman

Richmond/Presidio Heights Community Open Space Workshop (District 1 and 2)

Tuesday, March 31, 2009

6-8 PM

Location: Richmond Rec Center, 251 18th Ave San Francisco, CA 94121

Host: Boulevard Neighbors Group (BNUG)

Facilitator: Kelly Quirke

Bayview Hunter's Point

Thursday April 2, 2009

Place and Time TBA

Facilitator: Kelly Quirke