



Action Team Report – Recreation

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Brief Summary of the Action Team Meeting and Work (200 words or fewer)
Include any highlights/accomplishments, or challenges.

Our October meeting mostly involved reviewing our new 5-year action plan and setting measureable goals for the residents of South Kern to see by 2017. In total I believe the session went very well and we were able to identify measureable, yet effective ways to show our progress and work to the community, and create the change we want to see in the community. After developing these measureable goals we reviewed our progress in our current five year action plan. Finally, we discussed bringing law enforcement to our next community meeting to meet with members of the area to discuss how to deal with crime issues in the most effective manner.

Findings or needs related to Communications or Evaluation/Learning

I would like to go paperless for meetings. Could we use a projector for the next meeting?

| 2014 Result | Summary of Work and Progress <i>Include number new/total and details about progress of work</i> |
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| Increase awareness of and coordination among local recreation programs through completion, promotion and institutionalization of a catalog of recreation opportunities. | We discussed our current status with the catalog and agreed, as we did at the last meeting, to use some of our scholarship money to hire an intern to update the catalog. |
| Increase long-term sustainability of recreation opportunities through identification of potential revenue or funding models for South Kern recreation. | We reviewed the survey results from the polling in South Kern about passing a parcel tax to improve the parks. The results did not seem promising. Women with kids supported the measure, while older men with no kids were the least supportive. |
| Support residents, including youth, in partnering with local recreation systems and advocating for continued improvements to local parks through implementation of park master plans and/or skate parks in four local parks. | Bike Arvin updated the group on the skateparks approval from the City Council to allocate funding from CDBG money towards the parks development. |
| Continue to support residents and community partners in increasing awareness of and advocating for policies that make local parks safer and cleaner. | For the next meeting we are bringing law officials to talk to residents about safety and how to best utilize the limited resources available from the police. Bob Lerude is working on getting the sheriff's department to come to the meeting. |

Please attach a copy of the meeting sign-in sheet.