

**Three Priority Areas:**

- Building a Strong and Resilient Community
- Physical Safety
- Investing in Children and Youth

**Recommendations:**

<b>Building a Strong and Resilient Community</b>			
Recommendation	Action Items: Asks	Dep't/Lead	Status Update: Actions/Explanations
<p><b>Rec. A:</b> Fund a Community Public Safety Coordinator</p> <p><i>The Taskforce requests that the City fund a community advocate for a specified period of time. Neighborhood organizations, and community leaders, will have input on the duties of the role and the qualifications for the role.</i></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Convene orgs., and coordinate efforts</li> <li>• Provide data (SPD stats) and disseminate</li> <li>• Coordinate trainings</li> <li>• Teach advocacy, how to navigate</li> <li>• Provide info on opportunities (ie grants)</li> <li>• Increase and improve engagement with SPD</li> </ul>	<p>SPD SNG</p>	<p>2.9.18:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Initial draft of job descriptions to SPD.</li> <li>• SPD target date for hiring is June.</li> </ul>
<b>Physical Safety</b>			
<p><b>Rec. B:</b> Improve Pedestrian Safety</p> <p><i>Residents would like to see continued efforts to implement initiative "Vision Zero" in the South Park neighborhood. Task force members feel like other parts of the city have had more action taken (crosswalks installed, speeding monitored, etc.) whereas not much has happened in South Park.</i></p>	<p>Install crosswalks at following intersections which do not have crosswalks at all:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Dallas &amp; 14th/16th.</li> <li>• 12&amp; Cloverdale</li> </ul> <p>Install signage to alert drivers about pedestrians:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 10th &amp; Cloverdale;</li> <li>• 8th &amp; Cloverdale</li> </ul>		<p>2.9.18:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Status of crosswalk at Dallas/14<sup>th</sup> unknown. Will check on feasibility.</li> <li>• Status of 12<sup>th</sup> and Cloverdale. Funded through YVYC. Work will begin in 2018.</li> <li>• Improved signals at intersection on 8<sup>th</sup> Ave. S to make crossing safer near bus stop, library, skatepark, and Concord Elementary.</li> </ul>

<p><b>Rec. C:</b> Improve Traffic Safety/Enforcement</p> <p><i>Taskforce members repeatedly mentioned that certain corridors in the neighborhood have felt more dangerous because of the large industrial vehicles, including semi-trucks that utilize the streets on a daily basis.....</i></p>	<p>Research the possibility of traffic calming options for vehicles, particularly large trucks, turning from the South Park Bridge onto Cloverdale.</p> <p>Reduce speeding, particularly on Cloverdale, from 14th to the 8th St. entrance to Highway 99. Install a speed tracker to show how fast people are going. Possibly, more enforcement to target speeders.</p>		<p>2.8.18: Exploring</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 14<sup>th</sup> Ave and Cloverdale truck turning movement/radius</li> </ul>
<p><b>Rec. D:</b> Light Dark Alleys and Crime Hotspots</p> <p><i>Taskforce members indicated numerous alley ways that are not lighted properly or effectively...Another area that taskforce members identified as being unsafe was the area near the skate park, close to the onramp to Highway 99....The neighborhood's walkability is even further reduced because the 8th Avenue walking trail is incredibly remote and has little to no lighting.</i></p>	<p>Light the 8th Avenue Walking Trail</p>	<p>SCL Kelly Enright E/M 2.8.18</p>	<p>2.8.18:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Investigate the pedestrian lighting system along the 8<sup>th</sup> Avenue Trail. The task force reports the lone light is not operational, but our system map indicates there are 5 lights along this trail.</li> <li>• Engineering has reviewed and spoke to Seattle Neighborhoods Group (SNG) member who is also part of the task force. There are in fact 5 lights along the trail and all are working. Four of them are dim and the other one has already been converted to LED. The SNG rep likes the LED.</li> <li>• The engineer will have a WO to crews by tomorrow, 2.9.18. to convert the remaining 4 lights to LED. He's already advised the Streetlight Crew Chief this work is coming his way.</li> </ul>
	<p>From 8th to 14th, light the two alleys that run between Cloverdale and Donovan</p>		<p>2.8.18:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• We will review the alleys to see if we have existing infrastructure where lights can be added and billed to the General Fund. (this would mean we would not have to do the separate project for Ali) Fielding all tonight.</li> <li>• Install approximately 16 additional lights on existing poles where identified in the lighting analysis.</li> </ul>

	Install lighting near the onramp to Highway 99 and the skate park		2.8.18: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Install two new poles and lights at the intersection of HWY 509 &amp; Cloverdale (by the onramp) as identified in the lighting analysis.</li> </ul>
<p><b>Rec. E:</b> Provide more frequent garbage dumping pickup</p> <p><i>The taskforce members feel their neighborhood continues to be a “dumping ground.” Despite increased efforts by Seattle Public Utilities to do more frequent pickups, it is still not enough.</i></p>	Work with the community to figure out strategies that help get to the goal of cleaning garbage “hot spots” at least twice a week, for the long term. Particularly in specific areas, such as S. 96th St. at 4th Ave S. & 8th Ave. S.	Via TVB	<p>2.8.18: Based on community feedback and a perceived gap in litter removal services, Seattle Public Utilities (SPU) implemented the Litter Abatement Pilot in select communities to test and make recommendations on the City’s litter abatement services, tools, and service levels.</p> <p>Starting this February SPU will be servicing sections of South Park as a part of the expansion of the Litter Abatement Pilot called for in Executive Order 2017-07.</p> <p>South Park Work Summary:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>2 workers</li> <li>44 block faces</li> <li>2 times per week – Tues/Thurs</li> <li>10 hours per week</li> <li>9/26/17 – 8/31/18</li> </ul> <p>The approximate project zones are sidewalks and public right of ways between S Kenyon St, S Henderson St, 14th Ave S, and 5th Ave S, including the areas near Concord Elementary School along 5th and 7th avenues west of Highway 99 between S Cloverdale St and S Henderson St. Project zones also include the stairs at the south end of 10th Ave S and 12th Ave S.</p>
	Work with the community to figure out enforcement mechanisms to ensure that local businesses are also cleaning up		
<b>Investing in Children and Youth</b>			
<p><b>Rec. F:</b> Fund opportunities for children and youth in the community.</p> <p><i>Taskforce members felt strongly that children and young people in the neighborhood needed to have more options available to them</i></p>	<p>Redirect priorities of current staffing at the community center to meet the needs of the young people.</p> <p>Example: There used to be a South Park Action Agenda (SPAA) community position that focused on the late-night activities and to open up the community center space</p>		<p>8.24.17 meeting: SPR:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>City Council sets rental rates at community center. Can grant waivers, but initial rates not set by Parks.</li> <li>Late night rec numbers have tripled, capital improvement projects being worked on.</li> </ul> <p>8.29.17 minutes:</p>

<p><i>to get them engaged in a positive way.</i></p>	<p>when the community needed it. The position still exists, but it changed it is more focused on supporting general operations at the community center. No longer meets the needs of the community/youth</p>		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• SPR increased community center hours, from 40 hours a week to 61 hours.</li> <li>• Visits have increased to 56,000, a 26% increase in attendees. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ 2016/Jan.- June: 44,590 visits</li> <li>• 2017/Jan.-June: 55,980 visits</li> </ul> </li> <li>• Free and accessible: 19 free programs and 12 low costs. 21 free programs for families <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Increase in participation: 671 more youth participating, 716 more adults.</li> </ul> </li> <li>• Youth Safety and Leadership: Late Night programs, improved the activities of 103 youth with paid internships. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Over 2,000 youth and young adults attended late night rec in 2017.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
	<p>Work with the community to find ways to make the community center more accessible to residents. The space should be more affordable and flexible to meet the community needs (like using it for community meetings, drop in childcare).</p> <p>Example of the current challenge: residents wrote a \$12,000 grant to the city to do a basketball league with youth and almost all of the grant went right back to the community center (\$10,000) to just rent the community center space.</p>		
	<p>Have a police liaison to work with the youth to provide crime safety, crime prevention training. Youth can be the ambassadors to the community, with the proper training.</p> <p>Example: When this has happened, it was very successful. For example, YouthCorps and Seattle Police Activities League working together, it was intentional and successful.</p>		
	<p>Fund monetary compensations for the youth to work in the community.</p>		

	Example: Pay the youth to work on doing the beautification and the cleanup of the neighborhood. (Payment forms could be in Visa gift cards, grocery store gift cards etc. Need to be cognizant of the worry that families feel about immigration status.)		
	Provide more scholarships for the community center activities and make it more accessible. The criteria for scholarships is challenging for youth who may be undocumented, or low income. Additionally, there is not nearly enough to meet the needs of the community.		
<b>Additional Community Needs Identified by the Taskforce</b>			
<i>While the taskforce members focused on identifying recommendations to address what they felt were some of the community's more pressing needs, they also highlighted other areas which were important to consider as the City moves forward.</i>	<b>Funding for translation</b> A majority of the families in the neighborhood don't speak English as their primary language. Often times children have to act as translators for their parents and parents find it challenging to connect due to language barriers. The taskforce members wanted to highlight the need for translation of materials. One taskforce member brought up an example of the "find it, fix it" app from the City. She mentioned it is helpful and a good tool, but it is only in one language.		Insert information about: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• EO 2017-13 Reconfirming commitment to RSJI</li> <li>• EO 2016-06 Equitable Outreach and Engagement</li> <li>• EO 2017-10 Language Access</li> <li>• Examples: Night Out flyers, videos, 9-1-1</li> </ul>
	<b>Connecting back with the community.</b> The taskforce members expressed the desire to not just connect with city departments in the planning phases, but to also be informed of the results. They want to have some mechanism to hold themselves and others accountable to results. For example, the find it, fix it app was mentioned again and a		Insert information about: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Feedback loops</li> <li>• How to videos</li> <li>• FIFI</li> </ul>

	taskforce member stated “how do we know if we report something that it gets fixed? Where is the data to tell us what gets fixed and what doesn’t from what gets reported?”		
	<b>Supporting the businesses and the beautification of the business district.</b> Taskforce members indicated that the businesses could always use extra support, both in having more training around public safety and helping them to overcome the issues they’ve been struggling with, such as an increase in homelessness, drug use, garbage and the gangs. Business owners indicated that currently they are having to deal with these issues on their own.		
	<b>Bringing a feeling of pride to the neighborhood.</b> The community wants to invest in, or build up some “identity pride” campaigns (ex. “we are South Park, we are proud of SP”). They would like to showcase the pride in the neighborhood, and bring it out and make it aware so that people can feel connected to the community, and see the value of being in this community and taking care of it collectively. Feeling like they should be invested in the cleanup, the reporting of crime, the reduction of safety threats.		Insert information about <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Grant opportunities</li> <li>• NMF, OIS, EDI, DROF</li> </ul>
	<b>Recognizing the multiple municipalities involved in the neighborhood South Park</b> falls under the jurisdiction of King County, along with the City of Seattle, because of the portion that is unincorporated in the community. Taskforce members indicated		

	<p>this continues to be a challenge in getting things accomplished. For example, one taskforce member brought up the communication issues with King County Sherriff's and SPD. She recognized there is an agreement between the two entities, but that structural pathways for results (like finding a way to facilitate ongoing communication between the two entities) are lacking</p>		
<b>Additional Opportunities and Investments Identified by the City of Seattle</b>			
<p>\$500,000 added to 2018 budget</p>		<p>DON</p>	<p>Neighborhood need to prioritize a series of potential projects: <i>(KN: DON could convene a meeting to prioritize. Meeting/Poll/Survey)</i></p>