

**Bryte and Broderick from the Heart:
Community Engagement and Visioning Project 2008**

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Introduction

The City of West Sacramento has prioritized a Bryte and Broderick development strategy for the fiscal year 2008-2009. To ensure community input and representation, the City brought on Highpoints Consulting Services, Inc., through its President, Bonnie Ratner, to engage Bryte and Broderick residents in the creation of a shared vision for their historical neighborhoods. Ms. Ratner has conducted similar projects in other communities and has over 15 years experience in the community development field. Highpoints contracted with Alan Hirsch, Community Developer, known affectionately to residents as “the tree guy,” to conduct outreach activities, and with artist and facilitator, Gabriela Melano, to create a graphic vision for the Bryte and Broderick communities.

The Bryte and Broderick Community Engagement and Visioning Project began with a kickoff event on March 23, 2008, and culminated in a community visioning on August 9, 2008. This report details the results of activities in the six-month engagement period. It is not intended to be the results of a research project or community study.

Community Engagement Goals

The following community engagement goals were identified at project start:

1. Surface community leadership in Bryte and Broderick through asset mapping; visioning, and development of a planning team comprised of individual residents members of local associations and representatives from local institutions (city government, schools, law enforcement, etc.)
2. Identify and engage membership and leadership of formal and informal Bryte and Broderick associations
3. Build capacity of West Sacramento youth through a graphic visioning training
4. Keep the community informed and engaged through various outreach methods
5. Conduct a community visioning process that results in the visualization of the community’s dreams, hopes and best thinking for Bryte and Broderick

Community Engagement Philosophy and Approach

The community engagement approach utilized in the project combines the principles and practices of asset-based community development, in which residents identify and mobilize individual, associational and institutional assets, and social capital development, which facilitates connections and relationships among neighbors and between neighbors and local institutions.

This approach is process-oriented and accomplishes the following objectives:

- Identifies and mobilizes the capacities of residents, voluntary groups and local agencies and institutions
- Builds the capacity of the community by linking assets or capacities to address community improvements
- Builds social capital (trust, networks, shared norms) between neighbors and groups
- Creates opportunities to build trust and better relationships between residents and their local government, which leads to more community input, better service delivery and productive partnerships for community improvement.

- Creates opportunities for emerging neighborhood leaders who recognize that everyone has something to contribute and who are dedicated to employing these gifts and talents for the good of the community as a whole.
- Creates a more positive community identity as residents see their community in a more hopeful light and feel that change is possible.

Activity #1: Facilitate March 23 Kickoff

Ninety-six residents in attendance identified:

- Their hopes and dreams
- Their “gifts” of the head, hand, or heart they would be willing to contribute (individual assets)
- Groups they belonged to and would like the consultant and city staff to interview (associational assets)
- What they liked best about Bryte and Broderick (community assets)

List and Categorize Hopes and Dreams (complete list from “Kickoff” attached in Appendix)

The main issue areas identified at the Kickoff were: Improved infrastructure with sidewalks a top priority; more services and projects for neighborhood safety and beautification; additional programs in parks and recreation, including a strong plea for more youth activities; the desire for a positive community identity; a distrust around new development; more law enforcement presence in neighborhoods, parks and on the riverfront; historic preservation; and the need for increased visibility of local officials. A few ideas for economic development made the list, including a coffee shop and a fabric store. Some residents expressed a cynicism about this project’s “going anywhere” or “meaning anything.” They were not convinced they were experiencing more than an “exercise,” and this theme continued to surface in group interviews and in planning/leadership group meetings.

Identify Gifts for Leadership Development/Capacity Building

The purpose of asking people to identify and contribute their gifts was two-fold: (1) to see who immediately stepped forward from the group, thus surfacing the first tier of community leadership; and (2) to frame the discussion in terms of resident capacity as an important tool for community improvement. The other important tool, of course, is the services the city can provide. But it is the two tools working in combination that can build healthy, thriving communities. The purpose in asking people to identify their hopes and dreams was to surface issues in a way that promotes progress rather than mere complaint. The purpose of identifying local groups was not only to identify associational assets (an important component of social cohesion and community social capital) but also to create a contact list for subsequent group interviews.

Name the Best of Bryte and Broderick

Residents created a list of assets or what they liked best about their neighborhoods:

- Neighbors are friendly and help each other
- Streets feel safe
- Festivals

- We're close to work
- We have the country and the city
- The old trees. We want to preserve them
- Diversity
- Old houses
- Family-oriented
- Trust among neighbors
- Long-time residents
- New money is generating industry
- We can shop here
- Sense of small town
- River
- Fire Station 44

Activity #2: Conduct Community/Group Interviews

Outreach: The table below lists groups that neighbors named at the March 23 Kickoff and the results of consultant outreach to set up interviews with these groups.

Groups Interviewed- Total of 65 people	Contact Made No response, referral or declined
Todhunter Neighborhood Watch San Pedro Association Bryte VFW Youth Resource Coalition Holy Cross Church	Old Russian Church (referred me to newer church with “younger families”). Rivers Homeowners Assoc. (declined) Girls Little League (no response) LULAC (declined) Russian Orthodox Church (new – declined) Historical Society (declined)

Group interviews were conducted to meet the following objectives:

- **Promotion.** Create awareness and excitement about the upcoming Visioning process
- **Community Input on Issues.** Identify neighborhood or group-specific issues for City response (short, mid and long term).
- **Creativity.** Get neighbors thinking about their hopes and dreams as a “warm up” to the Visioning process
- **Leadership Development.** Surface leadership for an ongoing resident group
- **Bridge Building.** Build trust between the City and residents leading up to the Visioning event.
- **Background.** Give consultant an opportunity to get to know the neighborhoods, residents and issues in preparation for the Visioning event

The full results from each group are attached in the Appendix. These include issues such as code enforcement, safety and infrastructure needs. Sidewalks, a light on Todhunter and Sacramento, and the need for speed bumps were common requests.

These lists contain some issues that could and should be addressed in the short term by the City, but the broader stroke is that residents want their neighborhoods to be recognized and maintained as the valuable “gems” that they are. Often cited was an appreciation for the small town atmosphere so close to the city, neighbors helping neighbors, long time residents having roots in the neighborhoods, and diversity. Fear of being neglected, or worse, in the wake of new development came up again and again. The San Pedro Association and VFW groups were especially concerned with historic preservation. The young people interviewed were affected by a hot summer with little shade, sparse public transportation and stores many miles away. Responses in the group interviews consistently echoed that of the kickoff in terms of the desire to improve quality of life for young people.

Activity #3: Surface and Support Community Leadership

A primary goal of this community engagement effort was to enable the creation of a resident group from Bryte and Broderick. At the very least, this group could gain some ownership in the process by helping to plan the Visioning event. Ideally, the group would see, and act on, its possibilities as a viable community development organization. What actually happened exceeded everyone’s expectations. What follows in the next few paragraphs is a version of the story of the development of the Bryte and Broderick Community Action Group (B&BCAG) in its very embryonic stage from June 30 – August 31, 2008. The story is told here with deep respect for the residents of Bryte and Broderick who stepped forward because they love their neighborhoods and their neighbors. This story is told here in the spirit of helpfulness—a means to document their early coming together. Their story is now theirs to tell.

First Tier of Community Leadership Gathers: June 30 Meeting

Consultants took the list of 40 people, who not only identified their skills and talents but also said they were ready and willing to contribute these gifts for the good of the community, and called each of them to come to a planning group meeting on June 30. Twenty people showed up. The tone at the beginning of this meeting continued to be skeptical—*What is this all about? We’ve gone through exercises like this before.* City staff and consultants listened and addressed these concerns and, by the end of the meeting, two working committees (Project and Vision Planning) formed and the group, for all its skepticism, decided to move forward. They also expressed the need for this group to “have teeth” and for representatives from City agencies to participate as the group moves forward.

Ownership Grows as Leaders Emerge: July 9 Meeting

Word of mouth brought additional residents to the group, and some rehashing was necessary. However, when residents who missed the June 30 meeting voiced concerns that they couldn’t trust the City, it was their neighbors this time who answered their concerns: *We’ve decided to accept the City’s offer in good faith for now. We’ve decided to move forward and test the strength of this partnership.* Members of this group gave input into the proposed Visioning process. Some residents who could not attend the meeting sent ideas via email. Residents also asked: “What happens after the Visioning in August?”

Into Action: Resident-driven Clean-up Builds Trust between Residents and City

On July 3, following the June 30 planning group meeting, five members of the project committee cleaned up the parking lot at the Run 'N Tell Drive-in. They dove right into this project with little forethought and ended up with 15 bags of trash, including green trash. With their new confidence in their relationships with City staff, they went to City Hall and found Louise Collis. Louise was able to reach Code Enforcement to go out to collect the trash. Code asked the residents (politely, by resident report) to inform them ahead of time when these projects were going to happen. Residents expressed satisfaction with this outcome, in a phone conversation to Consultant, and at the July 9 planning meeting. This positive outcome has helped to encourage emerging leaders to speak for the possible partnership.

Bryte and Broderick Community Action Group Solidified: August 19

The group held a general meeting attended by over 40 people at City Hall. On the agenda were the following items: Finalizing a name for the group, electing executive committee members, looking at structural options, and establishing committees. The group also discussed the gang injunction in Broderick and the composition of committees as it relates to the group's mission. This was an important formative discussion, both animated and heartfelt. The conclusion to consistently put forth the mission to work for the communities of Bryte and Broderick demonstrated a powerful understanding of positive community development practices and principles. This is an exceptional group. Ongoing excellent attendance and lively participation at the meeting demonstrated the amount of community support, dedication, and energy ready for transformation of Bryte and Broderick.

The group name was finalized as the Bryte and Broderick Community Action Group (B&BCAG), while the official structure was tabled to explore options and choose the one most beneficial for the group's goals and plans. The B&BCAG moved forward with the formation of committees and election of Executive Committee members as listed below. Charlotte Dorsey and Jim Brewer donated a B&BCAG website, and The Rivers offered their community building for smaller committee meetings. Regular bi-monthly meetings were set for general membership.

B&BCAG Executive Committee

Michael Lokteff, Chair

Four Waters, Co-Chair

Buffy Crosy, Secretary

Norma Ranslow, Treasurer

At-Large: Carol Klesow, Jim Brewer, Mary Lasell

Activity #4: Graphics for All Workshop for Youth

On August 6, West Sacramento youth were trained by the same graphic facilitator who created the vision for Bryte and Broderick on August 9. Consultant worked with the Coordinator of the Youth Resource Coalition in West Sacramento who used YRC resources to outreach to youth for the City-sponsored workshop. Follow-up with the YRC Coordinator revealed that some of the youth attending the workshop were using graphic recorder skills in YRC meetings. These skills translate easily to school, community and leadership activities.

Activity #5: Visioning

On August 9, close to 100 Bryte and Broderick residents filled the Galleria at the Civic Center. After a warm welcome by the Mayor, introductions of City Council members and City staff, and a short presentation about the engagement project by Consultant, the community created a shared vision which was captured in colored half sheets on a “sticky wall” and as a graphic mural that would be transformed into a final product back in the artist’s studio. Results of the “sticky wall” are included in a table in the Appendix. These results will be refined for use as a planning tool as activities move forward. The graphic vision is available for viewing on the City of West Sacramento website and will be turned into a banner for events, displays and community development. Pictures of the March Kickoff and the August Visioning, as well as a video of the Visioning, also appear on the website.

From Imagination to Graphic Representation

Consultant engaged residents in “scenario planning” beginning the process with the following words:

Imagine that it is five years from now. The residents and City of West Sacramento have worked in partnership, and the shared vision you created in 2008 has been realized. The unique neighborhoods of Bryte and Broderick stand as models of what can happen when people aren’t afraid to dream and work together for their dreams. Time Magazine is running a feature story on model cities that have preserved and enhanced older neighborhoods even as their populations and economies grew. You have been involved in the Bryte and Broderick Community Action Group, and today, you have been asked to take the reporter from Time on a tour of Bryte and Broderick.

Asked to brainstorm ideas about what they see, hear, taste, smell and touch on their tours, residents captured ideas individually then worked in small groups to reach consensus on the best ideas to go up on the wall. As they announced their ideas and stuck them up on the sticky wall, the ideas also were recorded graphically.

Priority Areas

The following themes or priority areas were identified once all the ideas were up on the wall:

- Youth engagement (positive activities for youth)
- Use of the river
- Pride in schools
- The “Village of Bryte and Broderick”
- Historic preservation
- Servant—community relationship (bridge building) between government and community
- Neighborhood beautification and clean-up
- Community and economic development and opportunity
- Multicultural outreach
- Community pride celebrations
- Honoring our elders
- Community ownership of parks

Culture-specific Issues

Members of LULAC and Broderick residents who are upset over the gang injunction have participated in the Kickoff, B&BCAG activities and the Visioning event. The gang injunction, itself, did not come up as an issue at the Kickoff. Rather, the hope for the community was that youth had meaningful activities. The gang injunction was raised as an issue at the Visioning and is included in the Vision tables and will be considered as part of the planning process. The words “No Gang Injunction” were not included as part of the final graphic vision because all the text in the final graphic is positive. The words “All people are respected and feel protected” were added to the Vision as a way to express, in positive language, what could occur regarding the gang injunction by 2013. See section on recommendations below for some other ideas to ease community tensions over this issue.

Outreach

Successful outreach for this project was possible in large part because of the efforts made in the City’s tree planting program and the lists and contacts compiled by Alan Hirsch. Outreach included street signs, flyers to Bryte and Broderick residents, individual phone calls, press releases, photography and two newsletters. Attendance at the Kickoff and Visioning events, both held on Saturday mornings (the former on the day before Easter) and in the Civic Center, was excellent. The Community Action Group has put together an active and effective email list, the original data for which was supplied by consultants after the June 30 meeting.

Conclusion and Recommendations

In community development work, we talk about readiness as a predictor of possible success. There is no doubt that the people of Bryte and Broderick were ready to tell their stories, express their hopes and dreams, create a shared vision and come together as a resident group to take action. It is also true that the City was ready to invest in an inclusive process that would enable honest expression and dialogue. Therefore, in spite of some contentious issues and history, what has been established in this six month period appears to be fertile ground for trust building and a viable partnership. This is not a Pollyanna view. Complex issues remain to be worked out as planning moves forward. Issues will arise not just between the community and the City but also among members of the resident group as the B&BCAG defines itself and creates its structure. But this is all good work. Honorable work. And congratulations are in order all around for the breadth and depth of accomplishments thus far.

Consultant wishes to thank the City of West Sacramento for the opportunity to be present in this time of creation or re-creation and the residents of Bryte and Broderick for treating her so warmly, and respectfully submits the following recommendations:

1. Use the vision as a blueprint to guide the planning process to develop the Bryte and Broderick strategy. In conjunction with the newly formed B&BCAG, identify priorities, resources, strategies, timelines and responsibilities.

2. Support the development of the B&B CAG through attendance at meetings, connections to resources and possible capacity building workshops should the group deem appropriate.
3. An immediate opportunity exists for the City to win resident trust by selecting neighborhood safety and beautification issues that do not require additional planning and addressing some of these even as the Visioning process continues. A traffic light on Todhunter and Sacramento? Sidewalks? A clean-up partnering with residents?
4. Facilitated conversations around diversity, community and law enforcement or even smart growth could be very useful in West Sacramento. The organization, Everyday Democracy (formerly Study Circles Resource Center) has guides that have already been piloted successfully in other communities. Consultant is presently using such a guide (and working with Everyday Democracy) on a racial equity initiative in South Sacramento (part of a national initiative), and the process is exciting and productive.
5. In the mid term, the City could adopt a city-wide emphasis on positive activities and places for young people across all neighborhoods, cultures and ethnicities. This would provide an opportunity to include Bryte and Broderick in the mix of resources and mitigate the perception that they are excluded from the good things and targeted for the negative.

A P P E N D I X

Data from:

Kickoff

Community Interviews

Visioning

Hopes and Dreams from Kickoff

Infrastructure

- Community gardens/garden allotments (3)
- No horn RR Xing
- Landscaping: tree lined streets with parking
- River Park
- Continuous river access from I-5 bridge to S.S. port plus retain old neighborhood atmosphere
- A nice, low-cost (less than \$1.00), frequent (every 30 minutes or less) public transportation system from IKEA down Sacramento AVE. to I Street, over the river and back. Another line tht goes from IKEA to West Capitol, down Raley Field, and over river to Old Sacramento And back. Better public transportation
- Would like a path on levee along behind the Rivers to Southfort
- Rebuild I Street Bridge. Widen it, straighten access to it
- Sidewalks (4)
- Light at exit from Freeway onto Jefferson-can't turn left
- Upgraded infrastructure: better overhead wire structure.
- Light on Toddhunter and Sacramento
- Sidewalks (4) especially on Sacramento AVE and Reed (both sides)
- Spiff up Sacramento AVE, Reed AVE, corridor
- More/better street lights (no dark corners or alleys – promotes walking and community) (3)
- Take out dead trees (mistletoe) (2)
- Sunset Avenue and railway landscaping
- Make “Riverwalk” area more accessible. Open up the parking garage, open up the Ziggurat building for parking
- Bus service in Southport
- Handicap access to Riverfront
- Lighting on path between fire station and post office – cement paving on path

Improved City Services (Enforcement) for Neighborhood Beautification

- More street clean up (4)
- Beautification for all of Broderick and Bryte (not only certain area)
- Blight control: help us restore pride in our neighborhood/front yards/cars on lawns: Where is code enforcement? (7)
- Large trash pick up days, clean up days, recycle days is not enough if everyone had a truck we could go to the dump but getting rid of sofas and tables and other large items is a real problem a lot is in people's back yards
- One day a month for litter day
- Garbage cans in backyard
- Get trash out of alley by the post office

Parks and Recreation

- Very active youth center to keep kids busy with positive activities (on our side of the railroad tracks and without police presence (3)
- Start more running, cycling, and fitness groups for adults and kids
- A place for our young people to go to. Not just the usual activities. Make it affordable
- Start a Christmas in July type program to help Senior Citizens paint and clean up their homes
- The city meet the kids – get their ideas and create areas/activities for them
- Parks (save ours) and “Pocket” Park in Bryte to walk to (4)
- Stop putting port-a-potties in Bryte Park
- Lights for sports program – boy’s and girl’s little league

Social Capital/Community Identity

- Ethnic diversity
- United with all as one
- Neighborhood defining signs I like being “Broderick and Bryte” as part of West Sacramento pride
- Vision –does happen!!
- Restore community pride
- Neighbors getting to know each other
- Problem: B&B vs. Southport; B&B not stepchild
- Our school treated the same as Southport schools
- City government support of its citizen’s talents, gifts, abilities to make change happen
- People fully engaged in community
- After school gardening programs at community gardens for all interested.
- Start “litter education” in schools – kids need to learn not to just throw wrappers
- Approach community churches for meeting centers
- That our community survives

Development

- An end to Smart Growth, no high density housing
- Create a “cottage” look and feel and keep the “working class” feel with charm. Blend to waterfront development
- For The Rivers to remove the gates and become part of the community
- Upgrade older home in neighborhoods

Law Enforcement

- Stop drinking in Bryte Park
- I am tired of West Sacramento known as the drug city of addicts/Get rid of drug and crime feel
- Quiet: no boom boxes, loud music, horn honking – busses and cars
- Code enforcement of parking on streets
- No more unlicensed vendors on our sidewalks or at businesses and when their lots are empty
- Safe, friendly neighborhoods (4)
- Develop waterfront kid-safe/drug free
- Friendly police force

- Proactive police and code-enforcement and park police
- Alcohol and drug free (3)
- Control speeding
- Safety: Safe for families, safe nice playground Bryte (5)

History/Preservation

- We need to preserve the few remaining historical homes left in the neighborhoods. These are our only connections to our rich past.
- A larger West Sacramento History Museum in Broderick/Bryte

Economic Development

- Fabric store
- Coffee shops (places for the community to gather)
- Investing in its citizens “get an estimate of talents, resources, and hire within”
- CNG – Compressed natural gas fill station
- Movie theater

Local Government/Public Policies

- Ban plastic grocery bags a la SFO
- Have a Mayor’s office
- City officials more visible
- Don’t tax youth sports
- Food security
- Yard sales 1 per month
- No water meters, when some people have to pay extra they do not water their lawns
- A comprehensive plan to deal with the homeless population

Bryte and Broderick Community Interviews

San Pedro Association

Hopes and Dreams

- City Partner with San Pedro to keep Park available
- Work with SP Association (cheaper water)
- City recognize that prank property “non existent”
- Property X Street from S.P. Park – city purchase
- More beautification (trees help some)
- Look for opportunities to landscape (along tracks, river)
- Better/Quicker Code Enforcement
- City could use S.P. Park for special events (weddings) (used to be used for cultural picnics)
- SP could be a community resource again
- Recognition of Portuguese heritage
- Continue home rehab very positive
- Tile factory – historical significance
- Rooves in Bryte. “Bryte Roofing Tile” – Only source in U.S.
- Maintain melting pot where people get along

- Keep names of communities in tact – community significance
- City of West Sacramento Signs
- Make Bryte and Broderick more pedestrian friendly
- Bryte Yard – Corp of Engineers, could it be park? (now an Art Co-op)
- Old Russian church – Eastern Orthodox – Preserve
- More access to river
- Trail to Broderick – Bryte Weir
- Family friendly common space

VFW

Hopes and Dreams

- Less housing
- Continue street pavement
- Golf course open to all
- More for teens to do
- Movie theatre
- Community pool
- Open causeway for dirt bikes
- Race track (cars)
- West capitol speedway) – bikes

Assets

- Youth orgs. Little league soccer
- Small community
- Everyone knows everyone
- Hist. buildings – VFW '39 (32) → movie house
- Sep from Sacramento → River
- Fire Department, churches, post office
- Built fire engines(corner of Hobson)
- Bill Kristoff – born + raised here
- San Pedro assoc.
- New shopping centers – Bryte
- Ch 13/31
- IDEXX Vet/Lab Sucs
- CCPOA – HDQTRS (memorial)
- Highway patrol academy
- 2 VFW posts
- AM Vets
- Rive Walk
- Christian Center

Youth Resource Coalition

Assets

- We are working to make my neighborhood look better

- Houses are being built
- In our neighborhood watch we have meetings and look out for each other, and I'm glad we can be safe.
- One thing that made me feel good about my community is that it is very clean and silent
- In and Out is being built

Difficulties

- Traffic
- Drunk drivers
- Gang relations
- Drugs
- Graffiti
- Bigger stores
- Two story houses
- Drive bys
- Gas prices
- No close park or shade trees
- Rude people
- Throughout the Bridge Way Lakes neighborhood there is little shade and little places for the children of this community to hang out. Also there is not a lot of transportation to get to stores, which brings us to another one of our problems which is what we need closer stores.
- Hot weather
- No swimming pool
- No stores
- No public basketball courts
- Not a lot of shade
- No community hang out spot
- More street lights
- Drugs – too easy to get

What Can be Done

- Michael: ask people what they want, family event
- Morgan: petition in neighborhood
- Ken: fundraising – bake sale
- Manuel: talk to foster mom → community meetings
- Mario: help plant trees

Todhunter Neighborhood Watch

(This group also submitted a lengthy list of issues they had prepared prior to the meeting. The list was forwarded to the City).

Hopes and Dreams

- Avoid Daley-Citification
- Rivers Water Tank outside of compound (should be over the wall)
- Leave community gardens intact (community garden has closed)

- Return access to levy
- Open gate
- Whose jurisdiction – levy (camping, drinking)
- Move basketball court in Bryte park (in children’s play area) (never heard back from police/rec.)
- Need a way to talk directly to police
- Civilian Review Board
- Laws need to be enforced in park (and elsewhere: loud music, speeders, more officers on street)
- Litter after events needs attention
- Construction started too late in season and not finished – start in May, not September
- Community leaders should recognize communities as “precious gem”
- Beehives – more honey taken out than anywhere else – old trees
- This community supports life
- Should be preserved Once it’s gone cannot be replaced
- 3 Skateparks (2 more B&B Southport) so younger kids have place close and safe
- Make Bryte Park for kids activities only
- Public transit: ½ size busses well planned, dependable
- Tow cars on grass/yards
- Junk days 2x/year in B&B
- City fathers should not forget about community
- Generations have lived here
- Don’t pacify us
- Don’t follow \$\$\$ only
- “We don’t want to spin our wheels”
- Deal with homeless encampment

Retain

- A variety of architecture styles
- Big shade trees
- Open space

Holy Cross Church

Assets

- Diversity- Culture
- Small-town atmosphere
- Everyone knows each other
- Access freeways/downtown
- Parks
- Holy Cross
- Community events
- Holy Cross festival 55th-56th year
- Social SUCS Collaboration
- School
- Retail Stores

- Friendship
- Walking
- Access to river
- Riverwalk
- Ballpark
- Fireworks
- Softball, little league
- 4 Schools (c hanging)

Hopes and Dreams

- Place for youth
- Speed bumps – Anna St.
- Light at Todhunter & Sacramento Avenue
- More lighting on Sac Avenue
- More speed control on Sacramento Avenue
- Landlord involvement
- Zoning enforcement
- Code enforcement
- Clean up
- Help protect property values
- Beautify end of I Street Bridge (for visitors)
- Low interest loans from city to rehab houses
- Illegal vendors
- Animal control – cats
- Dump day (large debris)
- More patrol on river walk (bike)
- Limit number of liquor licenses (on Sacramento Avenue a store that sells drug paraphernalia has applied for a liquor license)
- More park security + restrooms + basketball
- Dog park
- Sidewalks - 904 Bryte
- Question: Will there be another permit “holiday?”

Vision for Bryte and Broderick 2013 - from the “sticky wall”

Outreach	Youth Engagement	Using the River	Pride in Schools	The Village of Bryte and Broderick	Historic Preservation	Servant-Community Relationships	Neighborhood Beautification and Clean Up	Bridge Building	Community and Economic Development and Opportunity	Community Pride Celebrations	Honoring Our Elders	Community Ownership of Parks
Outreach to non-English speaking communities	Parents are supervising children's activities in parks	Parks: pool- river walk to extend to bypass, restroom, waterfront	Better maintained schools	Sacramento Ave-Parks, community gardens, farmers market, destination shopping (but not strip malls)	Restore San Pedro Chapel	Code requiring rental owners to improve their properties	Neighborhood beautification city assistance in picking up trash and debris removed	Community relationship with law enforcement: get out, get personal	Locally owned bakery and coffee shop and businesses – not starbucks	I street Bridge Centennial Celebration (1911-2011)	Youth hiring organization to rake lawns, weeds, for seniors	Residents have acquired come “park: areas
	Multi-youth community center	Better river access	Parent involvement	Farmers market. School and community gardens	Preserve architectural guidelines to preserve historic neighborhoods	Require council and school district to coordinate plans and projects before implementation	Non-working vehicles and cars on lawns are gone	No gang injunction, responsive effective law enforcement	Ethnic culinary institute and restaurant (career paths for youth)	200	Senior complex with “services” – busses, transportation, health info, resources	Security in parks is visible and present
	Aquatic and Teen center for B&B	Riverfront footpaths and bike trails	Activities to develop pride-ownership of school, increased test scores	Safe corridors, walk ability, bike ability, safe routes to school/parks, neighborhood plazas, safe havens	Set up architectural guidelines and panel to preserve Historical identity	Coordination between city council, school district and community	Sidewalks are repaired	No stigma between “old” and new and building trust		We have the river cats team. A woman's base ball team- the river kittens, so we can see them play	Small parks for seniors, a “Quiet” place	More play areas, upgrade parks
	Youth activities/ skate park	Safe accessible riverfront	Keep school gardens	Safer biking and pedestrian trails, arts and music	Fabulous museum – ethnic groups, history, art workshops, art work	Streets: yards well groomed, safe-friendly lighted streets	Green materials (homes) façade improvements and youth internships (Laver path)	Developed trust between city council etc. and community		Our own West Sacramento Basketball Team here in West Sac	More help for seniors	
	Network of established youth groups	Destination shopping/ restaurants balanced with preservation of riparian habitat at riverwalk	We need a Christina High School here in West Sacramento. Turn the old Washington High School where church school for	Parks, public art, rose/cactus gardens, facilities-restrooms, tables, play areas	Established local history museum in conjunction with Native American Center	Tear down the wall- Rivers	Complete sidewalk system, trees sidewalks accessibility, garbage cans			Annual festival/picnic to celebrate diversity		

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			Christians									
	Indoor/outdoor activity center for children	Very clean along river around the new Broderick Boat ramp		Walk ability to businesses, West Capitol safe	History Center in "Restored" home near river		Clean out weeds around I Street bridge—first impression of West Sac					
	Work for youths and seniors	Trip up river , river work for B&B folks		Quiet, code enforcement	Diverse local history promotion		Lighted path from fires station to post office					
	Annual summer Olympics for youth	Widening of I street bridge or new bridge (and ped bridge to sac), restaurants			Recognize early West Sac pioneers		Face lifts to all homes					
	Free activities for all kids with parent involvement	Funding: pursue aggressively state and federal grants, prioritize community priorities and projects, river park			Living History project: youth interviewing seniors		Streetscape: take down chain link fences, underground utilities					
	Youth empowerment council	Extension of river walk park trails to bypass			Preserve 3 rd Street Firehouse and Lisbon Firehouse as neighborhood centers		Seminars on home improvements-how to					
	Vocational school	Cultural education access, native landscaping, river park					Encourage drought tolerant landscapes					
	Free youth activities	Park: pool, walking paths,					Safe corridors, clean, safe open space,					

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		pond-ducks					neighborhood completeness					
	Multicultural festival, levee walk along the river once a month with proceeds going to a youth program	Fishing holes accessible to seniors					Help Alan plant trees					
		Handicap shuttle to river walk										
		Inspect and strengthen all the levees (above the 50-year flood level)										
		Local music talent incorporated into river walk concerts targeted at younger generation										
		River area amenities: streetcars, public art, bathrooms, restaurants/shops										
		Beach										