

REDEEMER COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIP

MAKE JEFFERSON BEAUTIFUL

Make Jefferson Beautiful is our campaign to beautify and activate a neglected commercial corridor in our neighborhood.

This campaign seeks to enhance the beauty, safety and health of our community by repairing broken sidewalks, installing pedestrian lighting, planting trees, adding protected bike lanes, and burying overhead utility lines.

On a Saturday morning in February, the first piece of the transformation process began! Twenty wonderful, hard-working volunteers showed up to plant 13 new trees on Jefferson Blvd! It was a wonderful opportunity to enjoy a beautiful day and connect with business owners and neighbors who were thankful to see positive change taking root.



bike lanes tree planting



community visioning

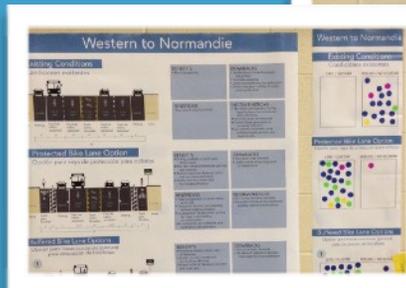


Neighbors gathered together at a community meeting to listen and share ideas for a safer, more beautiful neighborhood.

One of our younger community members adds his voice to the speed limit preference chart.



Bike lane options were presented on charts with visuals and pro/con lists. Neighbors voiced their preference through colored dot stickers





Adventures Ahead Spring Semester Highlights:

- 31 regular volunteer Reading Buddies have poured in over 200 total hours of one-on-one literacy support for struggling students
- Students engaged in hands on life science activities as they learned about animal adaptations, life cycles, food webs, and more.
- Our ten Adventures in Robotics team members spent the spring building and programming a new robot for the Spring Showdown in Legoland. They placed 20th out of 48 teams, many of which were composed of older students.



JEFFERSON DRILL UPDATE

Several weeks ago, we spotted the facility spraying "Chemco Odor Control Jasmine" to mask the fumes and odors from the well work operations. One ingredient, nonylphenol ethoxylate, is a suspected endocrine disruptor - which can cause harm to the reproductive system, fertility, and the unborn child! This discovery makes it ever more obvious that toxic oil and gas extraction poses a serious health and safety threat to children and families in our community. In response to this and other issues, we have created a community reporting system for neighbors to call in to report any nuisance experienced from the Jefferson Drill Site.

Hollywood United bus tour raises awareness of neighborhood drilling in LA

A few days before the Oscars, Redeemer Community Partnership gave a neighborhood tour to Mark Ruffalo, Leonardo DiCaprio, Rashida Jones, Norman Lear, and many other Hollywood creatives on the the health and safety dangers of the Jefferson Drill Site. These celebrities are bringing attention to the dangers of current oil extraction methods, and our city's failure to protect low income communities. We hope their influence will help get the message out that oil and gas extraction facilities are incompatible with neighborhoods! It never hurts to have the Hulk on your team.



Mark Ruffalo rallies his hollywood community around a campaign to end California's oil and gas extraction.