

McKinley Hill Neighborhood Planning

FAMILY FUN IN THE PARK

Event Summary

On Sunday, July 10, the City of Tacoma and neighborhood residents gathered at Verlo Playfield for an afternoon in the park. Neighbors had free refreshments, played lawn games, and took pictures, sharing what they love about McKinley and what McKinley needs in the photo booth. Participants had an opportunity to learn more about the Neighborhood Planning Program and other ongoing City of Tacoma programs, share their feedback and questions with City staff, and meet their neighbors. The event featured tables from the Health Department, Tacoma Public Library, Eloise's Cooking Pot Food Bank, City of Tacoma Open Space Program, Forterra, and Metro Parks, and included a neighborhood mapping activity for residents to identify where they would like to see improvements made in the neighborhood.



About the Neighborhood Planning Program

This event is part of the City of Tacoma's pilot Neighborhood Planning Program, which provides enhanced planning and development to support communities create strong, vibrant, and diverse neighborhoods. In McKinley Hill, the Neighborhood Planning Program is addressing issues such as neighborhood identity and art, business district vitality, traffic calming and walkability, recreation and open space opportunities, community capacity-building, and other special projects as identified by the community. The program begins with a robust community engagement phase, and then moves into implementation of key neighborhood strategies.

What We Heard

At the event, we asked participants to share something they love about McKinley, and something McKinley needs. Here are some of the things we heard:

Something I love about McKinley is:



Something McKinley needs is:



