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Adama Bryant / Weekend-Adventures: Oh.

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Sujata Srivastava / SPUR: okay, I think we are gonna get started in just a second. I'm gonna let

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Sujata Srivastava / SPUR: additional people come in.

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Sujata Srivastava / SPUR: Okay, let's get started. Welcome everyone. My name is

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Sujata Srivastava / SPUR: Sujata Sri Bastava, and I am spurs San Francisco director. Thanks for joining us for this digital discourse today. Many of you here today are already spur members. So thank you for your support.

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Sujata Srivastava / SPUR: If you are not a member, I encourage you to join to support spurs, ongoing work.

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Sujata Srivastava / SPUR: using education, policy, analysis, and advocacy to make our cities and region more prosperous, sustainable, and equitable places to live.

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Sujata Srivastava / SPUR: Your financial support enables us to continue our work, including the hosting of programs like today's.

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Sujata Srivastava / SPUR: You'll find out more information about membership online at Spur Org slash. Join

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Sujata Srivastava / SPUR: our next digital discourse will be scheduled for Tuesday at 1230 Pm. It's the title of it is making micro mobility work in San Francisco

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Sujata Srivastava / SPUR: we're going to identify thought-provoking ideas to leverage micro-mobility to support the city's mobility, climate, access, and equity goals

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Sujata Srivastava / SPUR: moving on to today's digital discourse.

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Sujata Srivastava / SPUR: Where is the access making San Francisco's parks more equitable?

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Sujata Srivastava / SPUR: We are really delighted to have a wonderful panel of speakers today to talk about how community organizations and nonprofits in San Francisco are creating out of the box solutions to provide opportunities, especially for folks who have been underserved by parks. Historically, people of color, families and children.

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Sujata Srivastava / SPUR: so that they can enjoy beautiful parks and open space that the city has to offer. So let me introduce our speakers. Our first is Michael Vaughan.

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Sujata Srivastava / SPUR: in his role as clubhouse director at the tender Line clubhouse. Michael provides guidance and leadership around policy building program, scheduling and overall vision of the 10 or one clubhouse while creating a safe and welcoming space for youth

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Sujata Srivastava / SPUR: During his 20 year tenure in the Boys and Girls Clubs of America movement. Michael has served several roles at multiple Bg. Csf Club sites within these roles, and in his current role Michael has served as a mentor to help support others in building their programs while establishing strong basics around programming as important factors in the work

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Sujata Srivastava / SPUR: they do at Bg. Csf. He believes that by creating a culture of strong fundamentals and community building it becomes easier to do the great things that are amazing you can achieve. He's also supported several neighborhood efforts to ensure that youth and families are supported, no matter where they are, and feel safe accessing that support and resources.

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Sujata Srivastava / SPUR: Next, I'd like to introduce Adama Bryant. Adama is a native San Francisco, a mother of 3, and a current resident of the tender line

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Sujata Srivastava / SPUR: and founding director of Weekend Adventures weekend adventures, is a fiscally-sponsored program of the Social Good Fund.

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Sujata Srivastava / SPUR: Adama is a champion for youth health vitality, and having them own who they are and what's possible for their lives.

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Sujata Srivastava / SPUR: Adama holds a masters in nonprofit management from the University of San Francisco, and prior to her work with weekend adventures she worked for a number of nonprofits in the bay area.

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Sujata Srivastava / SPUR: Adam is a champion for youth, health, vitality, and having them own who they are and what's possible for their lives.

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Sujata Srivastava / SPUR: Next, I'd like to introduce Maya. Rogers Maya has over 10 years of extensive park advocacy, activism, and community engagement experience. Maya is a fierce community advocate who founded parks 9 4 124 in 2,010.

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Sujata Srivastava / SPUR: A local parks Advocacy group as well as the Bay View Parks collaborative to row out all of her work. She believes that collaboration is the key to developing and maintaining sustainable and dynamic parks and public spaces.

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Sujata Srivastava / SPUR: Maya holds a masters in social work from San Francisco State University, and is a proud San Francisco Native and current resident

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Sujata Srivastava / SPUR: Today's discussion will be moderated by our Spur Board member, Diermond Rodriguez. He is

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Sujata Srivastava / SPUR: California State Director and Vice President for the Trust for Public land.

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Sujata Srivastava / SPUR: T. And was responsible for developing, managing and leading the trusts, park equity, developments, conservation, land acquisitions and policy activities throughout the State. In his spare time he likes to hike and serve on the board of directors, not just for spur, but also mercy, housing

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Sujata Srivastava / SPUR: California and Justice outside.

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Sujata Srivastava / SPUR: So just a little bit of housekeeping before I turn it over to the animal. We want this to be an interactive conversation, and we plan on spending as much time as possible, engaging with you all, so I encourage you to please use the chat box to share your thoughts with each other.

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Sujata Srivastava / SPUR: But use any use the Q. A. Panel to submit questions that you may have. So there are 2 different boxes at the bottom of your screen.

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Sujata Srivastava / SPUR: the chat box to just chat the Q. A. For your questions. If you're using a mobile app, those buttons will be at the top of your screen. and then within the next few days we'll be sharing a copy

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Sujata Srivastava / SPUR: of the recording of this session, as well as the transcript, and chat with everybody who registered.

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Sujata Srivastava / SPUR: So with that i'll turn it over to Giann. Well to get us started.

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Guillermo Rodriguez / Trust for Public Land: Thank you so much. I really appreciate it, and thank you. Spur for hosting these important conversations. I think it's critical for us in in San Francisco and throughout the Bay area. To be, you know, having these kinds of conversations, and it's important

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Guillermo Rodriguez / Trust for Public Land: what I thought I would do to kind of just put the the the framework for the conversation is share with you a little bit about looking at some data, looking at some important kind of key issues and themes that are going on and engaged.

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Guillermo Rodriguez / Trust for Public Land: You know the the trust for public land we're celebrating our fiftieth anniversary. We were started and headquartered here in San Francisco.

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Guillermo Rodriguez / Trust for Public Land: and we tradition we started off, as you know, lots of big environmental organizations looking to protect important landscapes across the country.

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Guillermo Rodriguez / Trust for Public Land: and in our work we recognize that not everybody has access to places like Yosemite to some of our great national and State parks, and that access to nature really is your local part.

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Guillermo Rodriguez / Trust for Public Land: but not everyone has access to a local park.

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Guillermo Rodriguez / Trust for Public Land: And why are parks important? Well, the next slide

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Guillermo Rodriguez / Trust for Public Land: we'll give you a sense of kind of from from our perspective. And this is not. This is not rocket science. Why, parks and open space are important for us. But again, you know parks and open space.

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Guillermo Rodriguez / Trust for Public Land: Science tells us that if we have a you know, close to Home Park, if we are, we have access to nature. We're going to be healthier.

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Guillermo Rodriguez / Trust for Public Land: We also know that parks and open space create resiliency in our communities.

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Guillermo Rodriguez / Trust for Public Land: They are places for people to gather their places where climate and nature and community really all come together to heal each other.

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Guillermo Rodriguez / Trust for Public Land: and access to the outdoors should be for everyone, and it's so, and we can look at them in a way that we look at equity across the board.

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Guillermo Rodriguez / Trust for Public Land: so let me share. But you know the next slide will tell you kind of what the challenges are across the country.

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Guillermo Rodriguez / Trust for Public Land: you know. Great parks aren't equal, you know. The sad fact is, today there are 100 million people in this country, including 28 million children, who don't have a close to Home Park with a 10 min walk

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Guillermo Rodriguez / Trust for Public Land: and that's a challenge, and that's you know important to think about. You know, when we look at what access you know can be and look like

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Guillermo Rodriguez / Trust for Public Land: the next slide

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Guillermo Rodriguez / Trust for Public Land: we'll give you a you know, a sense when we start thinking about equity. And again for for many of us in San Francisco, for many of us that you know, are in the Park equity space.

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Guillermo Rodriguez / Trust for Public Land: You know, we know that park equity is is challenging, and that you know our communities low income, You know communities of color, You know we are really challenged when it comes to to parks and open space.

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Guillermo Rodriguez / Trust for Public Land: And one of the things that trust for public land does when we look at this number across the country. One of the most amazing facts that we came up come up with when we look at the data is that nationally

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Guillermo Rodriguez / Trust for Public Land: parks and low-income communities are 4 times smaller.

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Guillermo Rodriguez / Trust for Public Land: but serve 4 times more people

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Guillermo Rodriguez / Trust for Public Land: that parks and higher income communities again, parks and low income communities.

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Guillermo Rodriguez / Trust for Public Land: you know, are smaller, but serve more people than in wealthier communities for many of us. That's you know, not an aha moment, but that's kind of the reality that our country is in when we look at parks and the built environment.

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Guillermo Rodriguez / Trust for Public Land: So the next slide I wanted to share, just to give you a little bit more detail as to how you know San Francisco and some of the other cities in the Bay area kind of stack up to each other and nationally

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Guillermo Rodriguez / Trust for Public Land: every year the trust Republican does a a huge analysis of the top 100 cities in the country, and we really look at Parks and what that looks like,

and a couple of the key things come to come up. So when we look at access again, we measure by the 10 min walk.

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you know, to close to Home Park.

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Guillermo Rodriguez / Trust for Public Land: You can see, you know, on the low end in the Bay area you have Fremont, and then in San Francisco. You know, San Francisco was the first city in the country to achieve the 10 min walk.

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Guillermo Rodriguez / Trust for Public Land: huge, huge bona fides for San Francisco, the only other city to achieve that is Boston, and so many others are still challenged to get there

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Guillermo Rodriguez / Trust for Public Land: on the equity side. You can see that San Francisco and Oakland kind of more dense built, you know. Older environments, you know, are challenged in in the sense of how planning was done. San Jose and Fremont a little higher on those numbers.

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Guillermo Rodriguez / Trust for Public Land: I think the other thing that we need to look at always is the investment. How are these cities investing in their parks? You have Oakland on the low side, and you have San Francisco really leading the country and investing in parks and open space and in its city. So it's. It's a standard bearer across the board.

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Guillermo Rodriguez / Trust for Public Land: And then, when you think about playgrounds, you know you have. We're we're kind of all clustered together. Oakland, San Francisco, San Jose, you know, all right around the Median Park score across the country. So it's key. It's important. It's what's happening in in terms of

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Guillermo Rodriguez / Trust for Public Land: of equity. One of the things that I give San Francisco credit Again, from a national perspective we get to work with cities across the country

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Guillermo Rodriguez / Trust for Public Land: is that San Francisco is actually again leading the country by creating these equity zones, recognizing that we need to invest in in communities with high equity, needs much more than in in zones. In San Francisco, where we don't.

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Guillermo Rodriguez / Trust for Public Land: And you know, recent, you know, data tells us that over 70% of San Francisco record parks, capital dollars are invested in equity zones. So that's, you know, a good, a a good sign, and something that you know we take to other cities to try to replicate.

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Guillermo Rodriguez / Trust for Public Land: So let me share just 2 2 examples of some successes that I think are exciting in San Francisco. That folks should know about.

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Guillermo Rodriguez / Trust for Public Land: The next slide, you know, is a project that the Trust Republican is working, you know, with our community partners, the a. Philip Randolph Institute, along with

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Guillermo Rodriguez / Trust for Public Land: with Maya and and the Parks Alliance in San Francisco and Brecon Park.

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Guillermo Rodriguez / Trust for Public Land: But I'm. Really excited to always share this statistic that the largest investment in San Francisco Park history it is going to be this park in India base, and, you know, super exciting, super engaging, and really being done in a very thoughtful, deliberative way.

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Guillermo Rodriguez / Trust for Public Land: The next slide will tell you that, you know.

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Guillermo Rodriguez / Trust for Public Land: bringing, you know, major investment to places like the Bay View really need to be done more than through the lens of just park and open space, but that there should be a plan, and the community was very clear that the park is great.

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Guillermo Rodriguez / Trust for Public Land: but it's about economic development. It's about housing. It's about transportation. It's about health. It's about art and culture. And to ensure that the park that's being designed and built is for the community who live there today

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Guillermo Rodriguez / Trust for Public Land: not folks who are going to come in, you know, maybe in the future. And so this equitable Development plan really is something that is a guide post to many cities across the country for what's happening, you know, in the Bay View.

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Guillermo Rodriguez / Trust for Public Land: The next slide again. Another project that i'm. I'm particularly proud of is the work that you know we're doing, together with Record Park in the community at the Buchanan Street, Mall Re envisioning what a cement plaza along 5 blocks could be, if we could transform it.

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Guillermo Rodriguez / Trust for Public Land: pull all that asphalt up and bring green nature into the community. And again, just just another example of activities.

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Guillermo Rodriguez / Trust for Public Land: And so you know, with that I really wanted to just kind of frame the conversation i'm. Super excited

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Guillermo Rodriguez / Trust for Public Land: to to be on this panel, and to moderate with some incredible incredible experts. And so with that I'm just gonna ask maybe, Michael, if you would kick us off

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Guillermo Rodriguez / Trust for Public Land: and tell us a little bit about more about your organization and the great work that you're doing.

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Michael Vuong / Boys & Girls Club San Francisco: Awesome. Thank you very much, Jeremiah, and a lot of great information. So thank you much for that. So my name is Mike I'm, the club boss director for Boys and Gross Club of San Francisc0 10 away clubhouse. We have roughly 15 locations in San Francisc0 7000 Did you every single day? 12 months a year, right?

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We serve kids ages 6 as as as to 6, through 18,

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Michael Vuong / Boys & Girls Club San Francisco: and with the ultimate goal of making sure that our you could come through our doors already for life when they leave us right, and that could be either through employment, through college, through trades, whatever that means for for the other people and their families.

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Michael Vuong / Boys & Girls Club San Francisco: in terms of some of the the projects that we're working on right now. You know, we've been partnering with Saint Anthony's, Anthony with Mercy Dumeric Academy, among others, on the go to Gate Greenway Project

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Michael Vuong / Boys & Girls Club San Francisco: during the pandemic. It was really hard for our families to leave the house in a safe manner.

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Michael Vuong / Boys & Girls Club San Francisco: and from there came a partnership that allowed us to have a play streaks, we weren't able to have a slow streets for one reason or another; but a block closure on a 200 block of Turk made it possible for families to come out to, to have adults. Seniors come out safely during the pandemic

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Michael Vuong / Boys & Girls Club San Francisco: That dream moved over to the 100 block to go in gate, and eventually started turning into a long-term vision of closing that street down permanently, which is the the hope of the Go to Gate Greenway.

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Michael Vuong / Boys & Girls Club San Francisco: and what that would do is allow for open spaces that can be used by the schools that can be used by the seniors and the families that live at mercy among others for people to congregate, to to sit down, relax, maybe parks, parklets, so on and so forth.

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Michael Vuong / Boys & Girls Club San Francisco: And you know i'm also really proud to be the Board President for the 10 0ly Community benefit district, and one of our big projects was

also safe Passage Park, which is on the 200 block of Turk Street, which is reimagining of open spaces as well

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Michael Vuong / Boys & Girls Club San Francisco: eliminating what used to be, you know, mostly like red zones, and what not, extending the block to allow it for for usage. And so right now, what you'll see is stewardship through Urban alchemy for 10 to 12 h a day

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Michael Vuong / Boys & Girls Club San Francisco: You'll see tables. You see chairs. You'll see wood logs that people could sit on meetings happening. I believe they came in. Well, there's like a music class once a week, you know, among other things, and so just a few of the projects that we've been working.

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Guillermo Rodriguez / Trust for Public Land: Thank you, Michael. I super appreciate that. How about you, Adam it. You want to go next and and share a little bit about your organization and what you're up to.

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Adama Bryant / Weekend-Adventures: Not really. I'm nervous, but it's okay.

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So. My name is Adama Bryant. I am a native San Francisco, and first I want to back up and thank you for, and I think, secure from the

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Adama Bryant / Weekend-Adventures: We can adventures

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Adama Bryant / Weekend-Adventures: was created, and we were founded in 2,018, with the belief that

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Adama Bryant / Weekend-Adventures: for kids who live in neighborhoods like the tender loins the th, the the harsh. I grew up in a feel more so. My memory is a similar to what the tender line looks like during during the time of the war on drugs. And so

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Adama Bryant / Weekend-Adventures: my ideal is that

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Adama Bryant / Weekend-Adventures: you know, if you show kids something different, you give them the opportunity to experience themselves beyond what they know. Then they will have access to choices that they didn't know they had, and so we can adventures. I strongly believe that.

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Adama Bryant / Weekend-Adventures: and we are. So she like, I said. We've been incorporated with

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Adama Bryant / Weekend-Adventures: social good phones is 2,018, and this is our we're turning 5 next month. This year we are building out our capacity and serving our community in in ways that we haven't been able in the past. So we are creating a block system where we serve kids from

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Adama Bryant / Weekend-Adventures: for 4 seasons a year, 4 blocks, 11 week blocks.

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Adama Bryant / Weekend-Adventures: I forgot that. So we serve kids in grades through through eighth grade, which is, I think, around 9 to 14 years old, and we do venture into the outdoors what we also are about arts and the sciences as well.

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Adama Bryant / Weekend-Adventures: What else? I'm also a board member of the Tlcdbd. And so all of that wonderful thing, all the wonderful things that Mike mentioned about the T. Or Cbd. I second all of that, and

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Adama Bryant / Weekend-Adventures: I'm. Also a Fan of just the of the work that's being done in the tender line in primary and primarily we serve the kids and families in the Tenderloin, and I think

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Adama Bryant / Weekend-Adventures: I think that's it all right. Thank you.

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Guillermo Rodriguez / Trust for Public Land: Thank you, Adam, and see you not nothing to be nervous about. You got a lot of great stuff that you're working on, and I appreciate it. Thank you. Maya. How about you?

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Maya Rodgers / SF Parks Alliance: Okay, Thank you. I'm gonna

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get this presenter view up here.

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Maya Rodgers / SF Parks Alliance: Okay. I'm never sure if this is gonna work correctly. So just let me know if it's terrible. Okay. My name is Maya Rogers. And now can you see this?

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Maya Rodgers / SF Parks Alliance: Okay, great?

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Maya Rodgers / SF Parks Alliance: I don't want to see my notes.

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Maya Rodgers / SF Parks Alliance: but and i'm a senior project manager for the S. Of Parks, and I manage the blue green. My initiative. and we're partners on the India base and Waterfront Park Project, a chunk of which is in the Bay view.

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Maya Rodgers / SF Parks Alliance: I'm. Also a lifelong San Francisco resident, the mother of a teenager, the daughter of a senior that lives here in San Francisco, and still in the baby.

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Maya Rodgers / SF Parks Alliance: In addition, I ran a baby Hunters Point Parks Advocacy organization for 10 years I'm. Blessed to be able to bring all these parts of me to my work as a parks alliance.

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Maya Rodgers / SF Parks Alliance: When we talk about equity, I always think, feel like it's a my personal

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Maya Rodgers / SF Parks Alliance: philosophy is that it's a mostly multi-faceted concept right. It requires both windows and mirrors. It also requires us the community to Reflect on how our priorities can shift

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Maya Rodgers / SF Parks Alliance: to ensure equitable access

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Maya Rodgers / SF Parks Alliance: Carolyn Johnson from the Black Cultural Zone. She always employs us that if we want to empower the community that they must have real ownership, not theoretical ownership. When we are talking about equity and open spaces and parks.

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Maya Rodgers / SF Parks Alliance: everyone must first be viewed with their humanity. At the forefront We have many conversations about our houseless neighbors, and

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Maya Rodgers / SF Parks Alliance: in a way that puts them on the outside of our communities. That's just an example of of one of those conversations. I say this to say, we all have to include, and representatives from all people in the conversation to ensure truly equitable spaces.

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Maya Rodgers / SF Parks Alliance: So this is our blue new, our new blue, green way map we're very proud of. And and for all of the blue, green way work we're focusing on the linear access

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Maya Rodgers / SF Parks Alliance: from Oracle Park to candlestick last port. That includes several new and coming projects like Cranco, Harrington Park and India, based on water for a part project.

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Maya Rodgers / SF Parks Alliance: But we are also focused on reaching into the communities within the one mile with of the blue green way is centering them.

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Maya Rodgers / SF Parks Alliance: And what does that mean? We're inviting them to inform our process, participating in our activations and be our partners.

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Maya Rodgers / SF Parks Alliance: The 2,003 blue Greenway vision had the guiding principles as identity, connectivity, health and environment, economy. And development.

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Maya Rodgers / SF Parks Alliance: When thinking about re-energizing this initiative, we looked at each component in relation to how they fit into values to the int0 Our values today

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Maya Rodgers / SF Parks Alliance: identity, health environment, connectivity, and economic development, the identity of the surrounding community and preserving that culture and honoring the history associated with the areas

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Maya Rodgers / SF Parks Alliance: as an area that has experienced decades of environmental oppression and racism is critical that we focus on grain corridors that will alleviate the imminent impacts of increased traffic and density.

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Maya Rodgers / SF Parks Alliance: We're using data from our asset mapping sessions to identify strategies that will increase connectivity to the Blue Green way, but also advocate for increased mobility resources and programming. That accounts for access.

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Maya Rodgers / SF Parks Alliance: and the economic development is beginning with markets that center the community and create opportunity for local makers to make money

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Maya Rodgers / SF Parks Alliance: and the part of the Blue Green Way is the India Basin and the Equitable Development Plan there, as well as capital project. You know, some multi 1 million dollar capital project.

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Maya Rodgers / SF Parks Alliance: and it's, you know, smack in the middle of much

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Maya Rodgers / SF Parks Alliance: public housing and in the Bay view. And so we have well, the the the

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Maya Rodgers / SF Parks Alliance: Let me pause. The Equitable Development plan was designed by and by, and to benefit Baby Hunters Point. Residents like Yemen, already talked about to preserve the culture of this historically black community, and to mitigate the green gentrification that frequently occurs. When you have big projects like this, it's a partnership

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Maya Rodgers / SF Parks Alliance: between the S. Of Parks and my the Trust Republican, the a. Philip Randolph Institute, and the Sf. Parks and Recreation Department.

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Maya Rodgers / SF Parks Alliance: Thank you.

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Guillermo Rodriguez / Trust for Public Land: Thank you. Maya. So I i'm. I'm really honored to be having this conversation with 3 frontline. You know community experts on you know such an important topic. The work you're all doing is super incredible.

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Guillermo Rodriguez / Trust for Public Land: Given your expertise. I i'm gonna ask you a few questions and welcome your your creative, innovative thoughts and ideas to kind of spur, you know conversation here. So you know. First, we talk a lot about equity.

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Guillermo Rodriguez / Trust for Public Land: and you know we all share different different ways that's happening in San Francisco. But how does you know thinking outside of the box.

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Guillermo Rodriguez / Trust for Public Land: What? What is, what else is out there

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Guillermo Rodriguez / Trust for Public Land: that you can share, that you have ideas that San Francisco should be considering to really kind of move the Park equity needle even further. How can San Francisco continue to be a leader? What what new ideas are we not talking about that we should be talking about. When we think about equity parks and open space.

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Guillermo Rodriguez / Trust for Public Land: I won't pick on any of you unless I have to. So please jump to

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Adama Bryant / Weekend-Adventures: all right.

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Adama Bryant / Weekend-Adventures: So

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Adama Bryant / Weekend-Adventures: the way you ask the question I I feel almost like I'm not in the conversation, so I don't know what you guys are not discussing, but what I do know from we can a ventures perspective, and from our being a resident of the Tenderloin, the biggest.

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Adama Bryant / Weekend-Adventures: the biggest barriers is transportation. and I think so. I know there's a number of organizations that provide transportation to, for instance, the procedure.

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However, I don't know

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Adama Bryant / Weekend-Adventures: how the word is getting getting put out into the, you know, into the community.

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Adama Bryant / Weekend-Adventures: So yeah, that's a short and sweet answer. I think I think

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Adama Bryant / Weekend-Adventures: you know I envisioned weak and adventures. having

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Adama Bryant / Weekend-Adventures: the school bus loads of kids, every weekend heading out to mere woods, to the procedure to the Oakland Museum of the Arts, you know, to the lake in Oakland, to, you know, to hike and

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Adama Bryant / Weekend-Adventures: to enjoy the quiet and solitude of being in the outdoors. So

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Adama Bryant / Weekend-Adventures: I think transportation is is really high on that list.

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Guillermo Rodriguez / Trust for Public Land: Excellent, Maya, Michael. Your thoughts on taking out of the box we got to transportation, as being, you know, a a big issue that needs to be looked at and and and discuss other thoughts.

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Guillermo Rodriguez / Trust for Public Land: Maya.

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Maya Rodgers / SF Parks Alliance: we touch on it, but often we think about empowering the community.

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Maya Rodgers / SF Parks Alliance: and I mean I touch on a little bit in my in my intro, but

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Maya Rodgers / SF Parks Alliance: really handing things over sometime, you know, to the community, especially in time, like, you know, to hear about

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Maya Rodgers / SF Parks Alliance: what they feel like they need. We need to work on right, or even they want to work on that. We can help support really using our resources which we're we're doing some of that right, but really.

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Maya Rodgers / SF Parks Alliance: really allowing them to be the controlling interest, you know, and and a lot of these projects.

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Guillermo Rodriguez / Trust for Public Land: Thank you, Michael.

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Michael Vuong / Boys & Girls Club San Francisco: I'll try to spitfire a few things, you know, thinking kind of macro right definitely double down with the dominant just transportation to to larger places, national parks and state parks, just isn't accessible, and transportation is going to continue to be a hand. If we can't figure out that aspect of it.

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Michael Vuong / Boys & Girls Club San Francisco: You know whether it's a a regular bus that that brings people up there, or if it's, you know, charter buses, or some kind of transportation. You know we have as a city created, you know, a slow streets network along with needing to revise a bike network.

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Michael Vuong / Boys & Girls Club San Francisco: and and I think there's needs to be a lot of work around. How do we merge some of the ideas of the slow streets network with some of the ideas for the bike network and combine that with the different open spaces that's available.

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Michael Vuong / Boys & Girls Club San Francisco: If if your bike network and your slow streets connects you to a park Now, there's a connection that that's really important, and it makes a lot of sense.

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Michael Vuong / Boys & Girls Club San Francisco: and even better, if we can build those along. You know popular bus lines

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Michael Vuong / Boys & Girls Club San Francisco: right. We just had the

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in a in a place that just isn't a place that you drive to.

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Michael Vuong / Boys & Girls Club San Francisco: And so we had to make sure we're pushing in public transportation to get there. If there was a slow streets network. If there was a bike network that was along that same corridor, i'm sure more folks would be able to attend. It was well attended, but you know, the idea of more people showing up would be possible.

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Michael Vuong / Boys & Girls Club San Francisco: I think about crazy. Things are doing like with Salesforce park

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Michael Vuong / Boys & Girls Club San Francisco: like. How do we use our rooftops? You know some of the newer housing developments have rooftop, you know, parks or rooftop gardens, and I think, as we look at, you know, trying to.

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Michael Vuong / Boys & Girls Club San Francisco: and I forgot the number is build 80,000 units in the next couple of years or whatever that is. How many of those units some of those buildings can have parks or urban spaces as part of their building, so that residents don't have to walk through the neighborhood to get to a park.

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Michael Vuong / Boys & Girls Club San Francisco: You know. Both the Dom and I are in the tin one, and there's just a lot of families that just Aren't able to get to Bodecker, to Turk High to Sergeant Mcculley, due to, you know, circumstances outside of their abilities.

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Michael Vuong / Boys & Girls Club San Francisco: And so the more we kind of built within is also super helpful.

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Michael Vuong / Boys & Girls Club San Francisco: And then the last thing i'll throw out

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Michael Vuong / Boys & Girls Club San Francisco: you know it's related to Bo Decker, which we know, trust for public land, and I believe Parks and Lance was also a part of, you know, brought a lot of different organizations together to steward the Park

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Michael Vuong / Boys & Girls Club San Francisco: all right, and I believe a lot of that same kind of ideas and and same kind of energy is being brought to the crossing which is at the the East. Cut also here in San Francisco, where it's organizations coming and activating spaces.

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Michael Vuong / Boys & Girls Club San Francisco: We know that activation is important. We know that stewardship is important for for these different parts.

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Michael Vuong / Boys & Girls Club San Francisco: And so, as we look to Open spaces, if it's not going to be activated consistently, then it needs to have stewardship right? I look at a place like the the 3 TI Parks, and our stewardship programs in those 3 spaces are going to go unfunded past June.

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Michael Vuong / Boys & Girls Club San Francisco: and that means that if we don't fund it we gotta find a different way to make it work. And so part of it is, how do we work together to make these things work better.

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Guillermo Rodriguez / Trust for Public Land: Super great ideas. Michael a. Donald, let me ask you to to to dig a little deeper, because I think some of the things that you raised in terms of what's happening in the Tenderloin are really interesting. It out of out of the box. It's really reclaiming the streets.

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Guillermo Rodriguez / Trust for Public Land: and, you know, just like we have slow streets, programs, and really engaging. I know that the Tenderloin Community benefit district is also looking at the alleys that you know exist there. I think it's Dodge Alley and the work that you guys are doing to kind of, you know.

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Guillermo Rodriguez / Trust for Public Land: Bring Nature into these places. Can you share a little bit more about some of that Thinking about reclaiming these streets? And.

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Adama Bryant / Weekend-Adventures: Mike, you want to?

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Michael Vuong / Boys & Girls Club San Francisco: Sure i'll jump in. you know again. It it really does go back to just activation, right? Dodge Alley, for a good amount of time

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Michael Vuong / Boys & Girls Club San Francisco: was not very safe. It was a space that was used for a negative, no behaviors, and it took a lot to to have levels of Rec. You know, reclaiming it.

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Michael Vuong / Boys & Girls Club San Francisco: And now we're holding, You know, monthly events in that space on a, you know. Yeah, for for several, for like

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Michael Vuong / Boys & Girls Club San Francisco: half the year, maybe a little longer than that, we recently just did some street murals in the space. We added some lighting

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Michael Vuong / Boys & Girls Club San Francisco: to to hopefully again give it a real positive space, make it a really positive space for families, adults, seniors, to be able to utilize. You know I already mentioned the Go to Gate Greenway Project, you know there's a lot of energy to try to do the same thing on on illustrate right. And for the Clyde.

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you know, I think

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Michael Vuong / Boys & Girls Club San Francisco: it's part of a greater thing that the tent line has been, you know, aiming towards for a long time, which is just reclaiming safety as a whole.

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Michael Vuong / Boys & Girls Club San Francisco: Right? The the 10 0 0ne just Hasn't, felt very safe for a lot of different people.

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Michael Vuong / Boys & Girls Club San Francisco: and these are all measures for trying to take to reclaim some of that safety. You know. I know we're talking about open spaces right now, but you know I didn't want to mention that you know the someone was the first neighborhood

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Michael Vuong / Boys & Girls Club San Francisco: to slow speed. Lim is down t0 20 miles per hour. We're the first neighborhood, have no turn our right on virtually every corner, as as measures to kind of reclaim some of that safety, and we believe that by creating more open spaces

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Michael Vuong / Boys & Girls Club San Francisco: and and having things like block parties, it provides that opportunity to again make spaces safer, makes space is more inviting, and allow people to come out and have a real pride in in the kind of neighborhood we have, you know. Then, at the end of the day. If someone gets a lot of negative press.

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Michael Vuong / Boys & Girls Club San Francisco: and it's not that think bad things don't happen in to you. They definitely do. It's a lot of beautiful things happening, too, and you know for me, I appreciate the opportunity to sit here and spotlight some of the great work that's happening.

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Michael Vuong / Boys & Girls Club San Francisco: You know I I I look at

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Michael Vuong / Boys & Girls Club San Francisco: for many weeks. There was a weekly block closure on Working street.

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Michael Vuong / Boys & Girls Club San Francisco: and i'm excuse me. yeah down Larkin Street.

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Michael Vuong / Boys & Girls Club San Francisco: and it was an opportunity for restaurants to get more flood traffic, and we had festivals, You know, so many different things that we're able to do through the opportunity to have closed streets.

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Michael Vuong / Boys & Girls Club San Francisco: But it's gonna take investment. It it's gonna take resources. And of course it's gonna take the voices of the community to really hear from them what it is that they want to do, so that we can find a way to include them in the activation of the things that's happening out right now.

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Guillermo Rodriguez / Trust for Public Land: Thank you. You know a a you shared with us, you know transportation as as being key and critical, and you also reminded us that here in San Francisco. We have a national park, and we have a State Park candlestick, you know State Park.

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Guillermo Rodriguez / Trust for Public Land: and you know, transportation you shared as a barrier just because we live. You know we have close to home. Parks Doesn't necessarily mean People go out and use them.

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Guillermo Rodriguez / Trust for Public Land: Talk to me a little bit more about how we overcome these barriers. We've heard transportation. What other barriers are out there that leaders in San Francisco really need to hear about and think about and start, you know. Acting on.

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Adama Bryant / Weekend-Adventures: Can I pick on you? Oh, sorry! No, no! Go ahead! Go go for it. Oh, I'll be quick, so

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Adama Bryant / Weekend-Adventures: it's hard to kind of think about just the pieces of the things that are

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Adama Bryant / Weekend-Adventures: the barriers and the pieces

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Adama Bryant / Weekend-Adventures: as they as isolated things. And so as a resident, I will say that it's. It's not just the the transportation, I think Mike touched on. You know, people or I started in the chat. I think about how people, Aren't. They're like, we feel stuck in our homes.

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Adama Bryant / Weekend-Adventures: And so part of the getting the community involved this May I mentioned, and having community input, is, there's a psychological barrier where, when you when you grow up in poverty, there's this. You know.

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Adama Bryant / Weekend-Adventures: I don't know where the belief comes from, you know. But there's there's certain the elements in our individual Psyches that prevent us from moving forward, and sometimes it could be as simple as for me walking outside and having to worry about stepping over feces, or

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there's a guy who smokes the pipe in front of my building every morning, so it's kind of like. Do I really need to go outside? Do I really need to? And I often wonder if we need other families.

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Adama Bryant / Weekend-Adventures: you know, choose to stay indoors.

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Adama Bryant / Weekend-Adventures: you know, because of that, and so which also, which then creates a whole. Another, you know level of emotional and mental hardships. And so, as we all know, things can be generational, you know we teach by what we see. And so

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Adama Bryant / Weekend-Adventures: I just wanted to say that because it's it's there are a lot of good things happening in the tender line to hear music, and and not at 4 in the morning like intentional music. It's beautiful. I do want to say one last plug about the tension line that I hope someone's listening who can make a difference. We are not zoned as a residential neighborhood.

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Adama Bryant / Weekend-Adventures: although we have 3 30000 residents. So we lack the protections that people in residential neighborhoods get. And so we need to. That needs to shift, you know, and that's that's what I have.

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Thank you.

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Guillermo Rodriguez / Trust for Public Land: My, do you have a thoughts on on on barriers, and how do we overcome them?

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Maya Rodgers / SF Parks Alliance: Yeah, I think it's a lot of similar ones. But then, you know, in Bayview

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Maya Rodgers / SF Parks Alliance: Hunter's Point, the topography right is a huge barrier. I think we we all know that. But

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Maya Rodgers / SF Parks Alliance: uphill with children or fresh off work, or you know, even when we're trying to do community engagement and trying to get folks to hear folks voices.

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Maya Rodgers / SF Parks Alliance: The reality is like it.

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Maya Rodgers / SF Parks Alliance: People are. They just don't have time, right? It's, you know. I always say that it's

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Maya Rodgers / SF Parks Alliance: even if you're a senior. If you're a some of the kids, if you are working or not working, I think I think some of it is

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Maya Rodgers / SF Parks Alliance: that is that. And then I also think that historically folks don't feel like their voice have value

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Maya Rodgers / SF Parks Alliance: right when when you go to a meeting, and you tell them what you want, and you don't see what you want. or you know, for multiple times people kind of get tired of that. So I think it's those things, too.

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Guillermo Rodriguez / Trust for Public Land: my one of the questions that came in while we were presenting from one of the audience members was specifically around kind of that decision making process that the community goes through and specifically around like India Basin in terms of how does the community really

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Guillermo Rodriguez / Trust for Public Land: engage in that decision making process? What what are the best practices? How does that look like

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Maya Rodgers / SF Parks Alliance: for Indian basin. We had the Leadership Committee, which is comprised of all baby residents, and a lot of them both live in work in Bayview.

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Maya Rodgers / SF Parks Alliance: and

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Maya Rodgers / SF Parks Alliance: they essentially created the Equitable Development plan, and that is what we go to when we want to make a decision about the project that will impact the community.

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Maya Rodgers / SF Parks Alliance: That's 1 One way, but we also go Out to events, and

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Maya Rodgers / SF Parks Alliance: we, you know, since we use events that are already happening, and we table, and we talk to the people that are there to get their opinions to.

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Guillermo Rodriguez / Trust for Public Land: What can what can we be doing this? What can San Francisco be doing Better to get folks to feel comfortable, to participate in that decision making process.

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Adama Bryant / Weekend-Adventures: I think

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Adama Bryant / Weekend-Adventures: I think proof.

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Adama Bryant / Weekend-Adventures: you know. Put your actions where your or those 3 to 4 5 h meetings. Say you're going to be. Those meetings are long.

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Adama Bryant / Weekend-Adventures: I'm. I'm. Speaking of like a general open open space governmental meetings where the power lies right. Those meetings are really long, and

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Adama Bryant / Weekend-Adventures: people need proof, You know it's it's a lot like a Maya said. We people have some of these things we've been talking about for a long time, and I mean we as a collective. You know. We know that these areas have, you know, generations and decades of barriers.

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Adama Bryant / Weekend-Adventures: some of them Haven't Hasn't changed since the eighties. So where is the action?

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Adama Bryant / Weekend-Adventures: Where Where is that? And I think that if people, if the powers that be regardless of who those powers are. The people who say right if they start making an effort or start. Really

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Adama Bryant / Weekend-Adventures: given the people what they're asking for I think people will show up you. That's where the you know

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Adama Bryant / Weekend-Adventures: You'll get more engagement. But, like may I say, if I keep telling you? You know I need these people off my street. Please let's get this an or a noise ordinance, you know, on the tender line, and that doesn't happen.

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Adama Bryant / Weekend-Adventures: Then Why, i'm not gonna keep you. You know it wasting my time. you know. That's what it will feel like to me a waste of time. So I really think the the trust needs to be built, and that trust is only going to be built by.

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Adama Bryant / Weekend-Adventures: you know, not just putting your money where your mouth is. But where your your energy, the upkeep like the a real solution?

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Adama Bryant / Weekend-Adventures: Yeah, I think I think that's what I want to say about that. I think that.

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Guillermo Rodriguez / Trust for Public Land: Thank you. No, it's powerful stuff. I create some of the meetings that that happen GO On for a very long time. And and how do you sustain that level of engagement from the community to continue to participate so important points that that you raise another question that came in

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Guillermo Rodriguez / Trust for Public Land: Michael. People were really interested in hearing about play play streets, and what what's happening, you know, and the examples you were giving in the tenderloid.

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The question to to Adama and Maya. Do you do? Your organizations have interest in reimagining transportation assets is open space. Do you have other ideas of where that might be me happening in in San Francisco.

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Adama Bryant / Weekend-Adventures: Can I just ask one thing? Can you tell me, what what does that mean? To have to reimagine transportation like? What does that mean.

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Guillermo Rodriguez / Trust for Public Land: I think, and and Michael, I think you can, you know, feel free to jump in as well. But I think you know the the examples you were talking about

in terms of reclaiming. You know, Dodge Alley, the work on Turk Street that you're engaging. You know the block parties and in neighborhoods, and then all the public safety improvements

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Guillermo Rodriguez / Trust for Public Land: that are going on in the neighborhoods. I think that's that's where I think I I picture. I I captured the the notes.

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Guillermo Rodriguez / Trust for Public Land: May I jump in? Well.

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Maya Rodgers / SF Parks Alliance: I actually thought they were talking about something different. But it's it's okay.

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Maya Rodgers / SF Parks Alliance: I I view streets and it like a Jason streets and open spaces, you know, Parks, and we do lots of things with

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Maya Rodgers / SF Parks Alliance: just plazas and stair wheels and stuff like that, too, right? And so I think any space can be an open space right If folks want to block off the street, we support that with, you know, we can support that with our resources, right?

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Maya Rodgers / SF Parks Alliance: And so I think I I think that's kind of where it was going. But you know bigger dreams are, you know. Talk of

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Maya Rodgers / SF Parks Alliance: the free way, you know. Kind of, instead of them demolishing it. Maybe they'll make it a open space, you know, just putting that out there, you know.

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Maya Rodgers / SF Parks Alliance: in public.

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Guillermo Rodriguez / Trust for Public Land: I appreciate any other folks wanna chime in on that, or I I can jump to to the next question that we got from our audience.

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Guillermo Rodriguez / Trust for Public Land: Well, you're pondering. I'll throw out another question. This came up about maintenance. So many of the public spaces from high end to smaller local efforts I've seen. Do not, you know, thrive without consistent programming and maintenance?

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Guillermo Rodriguez / Trust for Public Land: Do you think that there's you know enough money and maintenance handbooks for each? You know, project to make sure that they don't fall in disrepair. Clearly, programming in these spaces. Maintenance is important. You know.

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Guillermo Rodriguez / Trust for Public Land: What are your thoughts?

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Guillermo Rodriguez / Trust for Public Land: We lost, Michael. But.

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Guillermo Rodriguez / Trust for Public Land: yeah, it looks like he was frozen for a bit. But I hope he's coming back there he is.

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Guillermo Rodriguez / Trust for Public Land: Adam Maya. Do you have thoughts around maintenance as Michael comes back up, Michael, feel free to jump in as well.

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Maya Rodgers / SF Parks Alliance: I think that

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Maya Rodgers / SF Parks Alliance: I mean

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Maya Rodgers / SF Parks Alliance: a good maintenance plan kind of has been planned out from the beginning, but I think there's always more that you can do

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Maya Rodgers / SF Parks Alliance: right, and I think

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Maya Rodgers / SF Parks Alliance: lots of groups kind of you know there are some groups that come together just to do, you know, race to get help raising funds just to do maintenance and

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programming in their spaces. So

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Maya Rodgers / SF Parks Alliance: I think it's a constant.

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Adama Bryant / Weekend-Adventures: I thought that question was really funny, because I think I guess there is a lot of money in and handbooks on maintenance.

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Adama Bryant / Weekend-Adventures: but not funny, like a mocking but funny like. Yes, yes, there is, and I think that the tender line is actually unique in in those in that.

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Adama Bryant / Weekend-Adventures: In that situation I I I think about. I feel like it was the urban tree

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Adama Bryant / Weekend-Adventures: folks that

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Adama Bryant / Weekend-Adventures: I was at a meeting. They were talking about planting more trees in a tenderline, and I love trees.

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Adama Bryant / Weekend-Adventures: I love trees. My first thought was we would plant trees in the tender line, so people can use the restroom in them.

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Adama Bryant / Weekend-Adventures: And so i'm gonna say that

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Adama Bryant / Weekend-Adventures: the tender one is unique. And I

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Adama Bryant / Weekend-Adventures: Yes, to answer the short answer. I think there there is enough money in in the handbooks, and enough

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Adama Bryant / Weekend-Adventures: the know how. There's just another element in the tender line that that needs to be addressed, or we or we use all the money to clean up behind people every day, every tree.

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Michael Vuong / Boys & Girls Club San Francisco: yes, just the friends of urban forestry we're hoping to work with them on some trees down on the larking street. So

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Michael Vuong / Boys & Girls Club San Francisco: part of the marking canopy project we're also working on, I think you know, for for me, I it's gonna make me touch on a question that came up earlier.

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Michael Vuong / Boys & Girls Club San Francisco: and that there are always going to be several barriers that we have to kind of work through.

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Some of it is.

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Michael Vuong / Boys & Girls Club San Francisco: you know, not working siloed.

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Michael Vuong / Boys & Girls Club San Francisco: and and that's coming from a a community standpoint. That's a nonprofit. That's a for profit, that city agencies, and and being authentic in how we approach this work, right? We gotta really care about the kind of things the kind of changes we want to make

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Michael Vuong / Boys & Girls Club San Francisco: and be honest, and those kind of changes and work with people, so that their input is incorporated into those changes right with that. I'm. Also saying that

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Michael Vuong / Boys & Girls Club San Francisco: you know, when we talk about maintenance, repair it. It really also depends on how they the project is, or what the project is. and some of it is saying, like someone has to be in charge of what made it to repair. Looks like. You know what we're talking about the like in canopy Project we're saying that you know

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Michael Vuong / Boys & Girls Club San Francisco: how many businesses are willing to be the ones that's going to put water to the plants every single day. and that's one small part of ownership that that we can ask people to do. but it's bigger than that. There's a financial aspect to it.

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Michael Vuong / Boys & Girls Club San Francisco: So who can be the the fiscal, responsible, responsible person or organization to do that kind of work. How often can we do, you know a a clean up day that's dedicated to the maintenance of of open spaces of parks and things that are in disarray

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Michael Vuong / Boys & Girls Club San Francisco: and really work together and be okay with people coming in to be supportive in that way. I think you know, the more we're able to kind of come together for those things the better.

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Michael Vuong / Boys & Girls Club San Francisco: And so, you know.

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Michael Vuong / Boys & Girls Club San Francisco: going backwards, you know again, we we gotta figure out how to get the ego out. We gotta figure out how to get on the same page. Get out of speed and silo, and really work together to improve, you know conditions for folks

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Michael Vuong / Boys & Girls Club San Francisco: surely deserve it.

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Guillermo Rodriguez / Trust for Public Land: Thank you, Michael. I think that that's leads to a good segue around your siloed question to the next question, and it's for for all of us.

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Guillermo Rodriguez / Trust for Public Land: The the question is, you know, the Tpl report found that San Francisco communities of color have 50% less nearby park space than mostly white neighborhoods.

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Guillermo Rodriguez / Trust for Public Land: So who specifically is accounts accountable for the gap?

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Guillermo Rodriguez / Trust for Public Land: And do they have concrete goals to close that percentage? So at the end of the day. Who's responsible? Who do we think is responsible for park equity and moving that needle and doing more? And all those great ideas that you share about removal of barriers, and you know ideas and and wishes.

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Guillermo Rodriguez / Trust for Public Land: Who's responsible? But

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Adama Bryant / Weekend-Adventures: you don't you people who, if I if I have. Do you have the power to create conditions for whole communities? Then you have the power to shift those conditions for that community as well, and I have a little side note here. There are, or you know.

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Adama Bryant / Weekend-Adventures: in the work that I do, I I do a lot of research that's really heartbreaking. And so you you just shared a so statistics about. You know blacks against what? Against whites.

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Adama Bryant / Weekend-Adventures: which is always the narrative, which is

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Adama Bryant / Weekend-Adventures: kind of unfair.

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Adama Bryant / Weekend-Adventures: I'm going to say that there is a department for children in poverty, or something like the Federal Government has a department for children in poverty. so

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Adama Bryant / Weekend-Adventures: to even have something.

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Adama Bryant / Weekend-Adventures: Have a situation with the magnet, that magnitude it's like. Oh, you know, we're talking about on the ground things. But this is something that's actually bigger than all of us sitting here. This we are talking about things that have been put in place, for you know, for a long time, and so

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Adama Bryant / Weekend-Adventures: their solutions that is written in in all the research.

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Adama Bryant / Weekend-Adventures: And I again short, answer: Whoever create the condition should be the one to clean them up.

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Maya Rodgers / SF Parks Alliance: But we know historically. That's not how that happens. But and so

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Maya Rodgers / SF Parks Alliance: to say.

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Guillermo Rodriguez / Trust for Public Land: do I elaborate more Maya or or Michael on who is responsible?

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Maya Rodgers / SF Parks Alliance: I think there are many, many systems that are at play which create, you know, have created. You know, we in

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Maya Rodgers / SF Parks Alliance: probably in the twenties, would have been ghettos. We don't use that term anymore, but now it's, you know it's a

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Maya Rodgers / SF Parks Alliance: system of separating and segregating folks out. You know people who don't make a lot of money from people who do make a lot of money, big houses, small houses, tenement buildings, projects, you know.

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Maya Rodgers / SF Parks Alliance: We could go on and on, but I think

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Maya Rodgers / SF Parks Alliance: parks play a role in being able to break up some of those silos if we think outside the box, or when we think outside the box, because I think I think

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Maya Rodgers / SF Parks Alliance: it's happening. But you know time.

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Guillermo Rodriguez / Trust for Public Land: Thank you. I appreciate that. The probably the last question they'll ask of you, and quickly for for the 30 of you Final question: what are the ways that community members can support your work? What are the ways that San Francisco can help with all these exciting things that you guys are doing.

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Guillermo Rodriguez / Trust for Public Land: Are there skills that your organizations could use? Here's your Here's your 30 s commercial opportunity

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Adama Bryant / Weekend-Adventures: awesome. I will jump right in there and say that we are 5 years next month, and we are in serious need of multi year investment. We need to build capacity. We need to serve more kids. We need to deepen our programs

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Adama Bryant / Weekend-Adventures: so that our kids can benefit from having these access to the open spaces, access to things that historically black and brown folks. You don't. We don't see you see ourselves there

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Adama Bryant / Weekend-Adventures: the skills that I I would love with someone who has a social justice youth development

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practices who knows how to implement programs like that

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Adama Bryant / Weekend-Adventures: did our same multi year investment. Strong people who want to work on the Board of Directors. So that's mine.

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Guillermo Rodriguez / Trust for Public Land: Great concrete ones, Maya. Michael.

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Michael Vuong / Boys & Girls Club San Francisco: Yeah, you know. But

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Michael Vuong / Boys & Girls Club San Francisco: you know, boys and Gross, the in general is always looking for donors. We're looking for volunteers. We're looking for folks who. you know, want to figure out how to make an investment, you know, either with time, skills, or effort.

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I I don't want to, you know. Be too specific, you know, and it's on a line for sure would like for people to put it having a tutor for people who want to come in and

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Michael Vuong / Boys & Girls Club San Francisco: do what we call career exposures, which is good teams and middle school. This opportunity to kind of see the kind of work that they do

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Michael Vuong / Boys & Girls Club San Francisco: as it relates to the open space projects. You know a lot of this work I do, you know, through the T. Or Cvd.

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Michael Vuong / Boys & Girls Club San Francisco: And so for anyone that interested in some of that work. you know Tlcd is the best place to do it.

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Michael Vuong / Boys & Girls Club San Francisco: I i'm going to use this as a quick

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Michael Vuong / Boys & Girls Club San Francisco: opportunity to mention that we are working on. I live 10 alone week. It's going to be Sunday, April thirtieth, through Saturday base 6. And so for folks who are interested in coming in

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Michael Vuong / Boys & Girls Club San Francisco: and seeing the kind of low that that we have, the love and pride that we have in the 10 min.

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Michael Vuong / Boys & Girls Club San Francisco: That'd be the perfect week to come. Compete, celebrate, and be a part of the work that we do.

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Guillermo Rodriguez / Trust for Public Land: That sounds exciting, My! Do you want to close this out.

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Maya Rodgers / SF Parks Alliance: We have several things going on. We on the eighteenth. There is gonna we're gonna do a black. We're participating in Black History Month celebration at the Southeast Community center.

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Maya Rodgers / SF Parks Alliance: We will be looking for volunteers for the cargo way. Beautification clean up. That'll be coming out soon, and then you know our regular sundown Cinemas and

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Maya Rodgers / SF Parks Alliance: other, as you know, sank off of market, and it we have a number of events coming out. Look on our calendar on our page.

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Guillermo Rodriguez / Trust for Public Land: Thank you very much, my Michael Donald. What a treat to to be with just some amazing leaders like yourselves, i'm inspired. I have great help and faith in in San Francisco because of the 3 of you and the incredible work that you're doing on behalf of us all. So thank you. So, John, i'll pass it back to you.

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Sujata Srivastava / SPUR: Thank you. Thank you, Guillermo, for moderating such a great discussion and framing this really important question. You all are amazing, Adama Maya Mike really really appreciate you joining us today for those of you that are interested. We'll be sending out

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Sujata Srivastava / SPUR: a link to today's recording and other resources panelists. If you have any information you'd like us to share along with that email, we'll, we'll send that out to and thank you. Everyone for attending. We hope to see you at our next program.

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Adama Bryant / Weekend-Adventures: Have a good evening.