

City of Sacramento
Parks and Community Enrichment Commission Report
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916 Day Updates

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Location: Citywide

Recommendation: Receive and discuss.

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Attachments:

1-Description/Analysis

2-Presentation

Description/Analysis

Issue Detail:

The 916 Day Volunteerism initiative emphasizes community engagement and park activation beyond traditional cleanup efforts. As part of this effort, the City's VIP Program is working with community members to launch the Park Sketchers Pilot Program, an art-based community activity that brings residents to lesser-known parks. Participants engage in sketching, learn about the park's features, connect with neighbors, and access City resources that support ongoing community involvement. The program strengthens community connections while increasing awareness and use of under visited public spaces.

Commissioners should be prepared to begin identifying year-round 916 Day events. This includes community partnerships, sponsorships, materials needed, marketing and promotion.

Policy Considerations: Not applicable.

Economic Impacts: Not applicable.

Environmental Considerations: Not applicable.

Sustainability: Not applicable.

Commission/Committee Action: Not applicable.

Rationale for Recommendation: Commission discussion to plan 916 Day events.

Financial Considerations: Not applicable.

Local Business Enterprise (LBE): Not applicable.

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A dark blue silhouette of the Sacramento skyline and the Golden Gate Bridge, set against a light blue background. The skyline includes various building shapes, and the Golden Gate Bridge is shown on the right side.

Sacramento Park Sketchers

Pilot Program

Purpose

- Activate underutilized and underrepresented parks
- Build community through shared park experiences
- Increase access to visual arts opportunities
- Encourage civic engagement in city parks

How it Works

At Each Gathering

- Meet fellow community members
- Sketch features of the park that inspire you
- Share artwork and park observations
- Submit sketches/photos for social media

Participation

- Open to all residents
- No art experience required
- Bring paper and a pencil/pen at minimum
- Non-toxic art materials welcome

Program Structure

Gatherings

- Held monthly, 8–10 months per year
- Weekend daytime events in parks
- Approximately 3 hours per gathering

Park Selection

- Events hosted across all City Council districts
- Focus on underutilized and underrepresented parks
- Some locations selected by participant vote

Questions?

