

TENDERLOIN

COMMUNITY ACTION PLAN



Strategy Priority #2: Open Space Planning & Activation



**SMALL BUSINESS
SUPPORT**



**OPEN SPACE PLANNING &
ACTIVATION**



**YOUTH
INVESTMENTS**



**ACTIVATING
HOUSING PRIORITIES**

Public Space Activation: Place Making



Why is it a priority?

- A Placemaking approach to public space is a good strategy to complement enforcement and health services interventions. By bringing public space improvements and activations to the neighborhood, placemaking fosters positive experiences, increases safety, and deters drug dealing/ use on the sidewalks.
- A public space strategy can also ensure to increase the open space per capita ratio, one of the lowest in SF.

Community Partners: Pedestrian Safety Task Force.

City Partners: SFMTA, Public Works, SF Rec Park

Previous or ongoing related plans:

- Tenderloin -- Little Saigon Neighborhood Transportation Plan *MTC*
- Civic Center Plan *SF Planning*
- Tenderloin Vision 2020 *The People's Plan*
- Active Communities Plan in Progress, *SFMTA*
- Quick Build Projects (TL) *SFMTA and Public Works*



Draft TCAP Public Space Priorities



1. Alleys as public space

Alleys can be thought in new ways to serve as school streets, mini-parks, mini-plazas or special events places, thus increasing open space in the neighborhood.

- TL National Forest (Cohen Alley), mini-park (completed)
- Elm Alley, school street (in progress)
- Dodge Alley, mini plaza (in progress)
- Myrtle, Willow, Olive alleys (potential)
- Safety Support: Safe Passage Network



2. Public space synergies along commercial corridors with business development efforts

Placemaking along commercial corridors can increase access to public space, increase quality of life and strengthen business health by increasing foot traffic.

Larkin Street

- Larkin Street Green Canopy parklets (in progress)
- Larkin Street Greening Strategy (potential)

Eddy Street

- Boeddeker Park revitalization (potential)

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3. Public space activation at neighborhood entrances

Key neighborhood entrances can function as gateways and can welcome residents and visitors into the neighborhood.

Potential:

- Powell Street (Eddy)
- UN Plaza (Leavenworth)
- Golden Gate Ave



4. Lot Parks

Underutilized or vacant lots can be transformed into neighborhood gathering spaces.

- Urban Alchemy Oasis, Hyde and Turk (completed)
- 989 Post (upcoming Rec and Park acquisition)
- Elm Street at Van Ness (potential recreation lot)