Cultura Fest - Equity Commission Interviews

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- Speaker 1 00:06
 - I just got five questions for you. We'll just got to do as Okay, so the first question is on scale of one to five, one being not at all, five being completely How much do you trust South City,
- 00:22 five, five, I would say five.
- Speaker 1 00:23
 Well, that's pretty quick. What made you say that so quickly? Um, I think

Speaker 2 00:28

ever since we moved in, just we just felt safe. Our neighbors are very nice. I'm a veteran as well, and I applied for some benefits through home loans, and the State Controller just came back, and then I got my paperwork straight away. And then, you know, and then seeing some of the things built around us, like the library right across the street, was really nice to see. The Fire Department's right there, the police station's right there. I felt like, every time there's, I know my neighbors are getting older, and I think, you know, for the most part, you know, I think the ambulance gets there in time. You know, they get hospitalized. Everybody in the community just kind of like, nice when you see them. A lot of people that you know live in boriburi, they choose to live there. Unfortunately, they die in place. That's how much they left them so much, yeah? But you know, our neighbors are just so kind, yeah? One thing

Speaker 3 01:32

we didn't really think about while searching for a home was our neighbors. We never really thought about, oh, who would relive it by would be the neighborhood, but our neighbors have been the sweetest people ever. If I leave something outside the house, they'll knock on my door. Say, Hey, you left this they'll check up on us. Everybody knows each other's like families and pets and just they're just so wholesome and just so welcoming.

Speaker 1 01:58

So what does that mean to you when you when you experience that, when you that wasn't part of your criteria initially going in. What does that mean to you?

Speaker 3 02:08

It just means that we get to live calmly, safely. We don't have to worry about, you know, people coming in out of nowhere, bad neighbors. We didn't know how much that would be such a huge influence on our day to day lives, moment to moment.

Speaker 1 02:28

Yeah, and similar to Jim mentioned the welcoming aspect of that, yeah, anything more you want to add to that for the moment? I think that's good. Okay, second question, all right, how about this? What could be done to create a strong you know, with this community sense that you shared, what perhaps could be done to make that sense of belongingness even more belonging? Yeah, how can we make, perhaps, create an even greater sense of belongingness on top of what you've experienced so

Speaker 3 02:58

far, I like to see more small businesses, like small local businesses, because I see a lot of storefronts that are kind of empty in downtown. So it'd be nice to see like local businesses that people can afford to get, you know, rent their space out here and bring like, different foods, different clothing, stuff, stuff like that.

Speaker 1 03:20

More businesses coming in, different types of businesses. And how does that connect to the belongingness that you see? How that, how does that help with if we have, when

Speaker 3 03:29

we have, yeah, I think just like this festival today celebrating Central American culture, me being from Salvadorian like hence history, it's really nice to see it in my community. Yeah, my parents are from El Salvador, so I'm first generation here. So seeing things happening in my town really nice. Like I invited my brother that lives in like Manteca, I invited my parents that live in the East Bay to come here and celebrate.

Speaker 2 04:10

How about yourself? I think, yeah, that pretty much captures what you know I feel as well.

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You said pretty

Speaker 1 04:20

much captured. Are you saying there might be something a little bit little bit

Speaker 2 04:23

different? I mean, for me, one thing I did want some clarity on what's gonna happen with the San Mateo. What do you call that? The Municipal Building? Oh, yeah. I just want to know, like, what's the plan? Because we're so close to it. Yeah. Maybe some more, yeah, just more information about, more information about, maybe I'm not looking in the right place, but, you know, I just feel like, if there's a big change, maybe it's very important to kind of notify the people that live around the area about the plants.

Speaker 1 04:51

So two parts, getting a better idea of what might happen. That one in particular, the MSP, as they call it, and then whatever might be in motion or. Decent conversation, yeah,

- Speaker 2 05:03 yeah, yeah. Because yeah, yeah, that'd be good to be in the know.
- 05:07 How do you how you say the No, all right,
- Speaker 1 05:15
 okay, cool, all right. How about this one? And actually, maybe it ties a little bit in. The third question is, do you ever feel unsafe in salt city? Have you ever been unsafe?
- Speaker 3 05:32

No, no, no. And you know, we walk our dogs around our neighborhood. The alerts let us know when something's going on. Are you talking about the SMC alert alerts? Yeah. So when there was an active shooter that wasn't too far from us, at least we were up to date on it. But no, I felt really safe. I follow

Speaker 2 05:55

the social media of San Francisco police, and they're pretty transparent about, like, the things that they get. You know, that they did and, I mean, you know, crime is everywhere, but I think it's just good to have, like, police departments kind of, like, you know, kind of a bit more transparent about what they're doing. And some of the like, the you know, like the big crimes, if you might call it, that they capture. So it's good to know that they're out there doing their jobs. Like, but I like, you know, as far as fire department goes, I mean, it's just just so close to us, and I feel like they're very responsive, yeah. So, yeah.

Speaker 1 06:28

So you've seen that directly and indirectly, like with your neighbors and with the police, sharing their information, what they're doing, very upfront about it, yeah. Okay, you like, Commissioner, like, crimes anywhere, but it's just yeah. This one is

Speaker 2 06:39

Yeah. I mean, it's just a good too, like, I know that there's, they have a social media person that, like, hey, you know, this is what's happening. So, you know, it's not always like bad news, but you know, you know the good things that they do in the community.

Speaker 1 06:53

Okay, how about, how about, in terms of your families, have they taken part in any activities, like with the city's recreation programs, Park Press programs, anything

Speaker 3 07:06
we did a salsa dancing class at the Municipal Building. Yeah, you too,

Speaker 2 07:12

yeah. But you know, I just yeah, it was, it was hard for me. I just have no hip action.

Speaker 1 07:18

So you're just being monitored. We're modest. That's part of the country. Anything else that you got involved

Speaker 2 07:29

in, just like our parks that goes by, she said that she goes to the library. Are you seeing

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the newer one that's near you? Yeah.

Speaker 3 07:38

And then, you know, I don't know the answer the questions, but there's a lot of good food in South City. We've discovered a lot of it. So undiscovered, yes, there is, there is. We used to live in San Francisco, so we would get all the stuff from there, and then we lived here, and then we moved here, and we found out all the really good spots around. So that's that's helpful for us. Yeah,

Speaker 1 07:57

well, how about, how about this? Maybe the final question is really just kind of open ended. Maybe because maybe because what we chatted so far, what we've shared, thank thanks for doing so. What else would you think would be helpful for us to just want to make sure I'm on point? Yeah, what else could we do to help as a city, to help maybe improve the engagement, the experience? What else come might come to mind based on what we shared, or maybe have yet to

Speaker 3 08:22

talk about, oh, I think having more events like this, I've been really looking forward to it, because it celebrates, like Central American heritage, that I feel like we're a small community, but we come out we, you know,

- Speaker 2 08:36 represent so diverse community. So it's good to have that.
- Speaker 3 08:40
 Yeah, we like the diversity. So more events like this, really nice.
- 08:46 Yeah, no, yeah, yeah. We like living here.
- Speaker 1 08:49
 So, so far, so far to come, right? Only
- 08:54 been, like, three years, but, you know,
- it's been really good. That's cool. We just met a person who she just became a resident for three weeks. So we all should so similar to her and you, especially, for the moment, we really appreciate you sharing your thoughts. Thank you. And sincerely, there's anything else that comes to mind, let us know we meet every month, but there's different ways to get you know, to share your thoughts about how we can improve the city for city Oh, thank you. Thank you. Thank you. Vanessa, is that right? Cool, cool
- Speaker 4 09:27
 on a scale of one to five, one being not at all, and five being completely How much do you trust the City of South San Francisco? And explain why

- 09:39 trust in what way,
- 09:40 in any way you interpret it.
- Speaker 5 09:42
 Well born and raised here, 45 so went to school here, all souls, awesome, never had any issues, whether it be law or just the city itself. I feel like. Be supporting, like, just the latin community, but community in general.
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 I wouldn't go to any other city.
- Speaker 5 10:11

 My kid, my kid, is 13 years old. Like the weather's your border,
- 10:16 okay, you're not the first
- note 10:22 person you know. Everything's so close.
- Speaker 4 10:24
 So one to five, one being not at all, and five being five, amazing. I'd love to hear that. Okay, second question, what could be done to create a stronger sense of belonging here South City? And I would love to hear your perspective, because you've been here a while.

- Speaker 5 10:40
 So more events like this, more events like this. Okay, this is the first one, this cultural fest here.
- Speaker 4 10:47
 This the first one here. But apparently, this culture Fest has been going on around
- Speaker 5 10:53
 the area more, you know, have the community go out and enjoy themselves for a little bit. You know, that won't have that many a year, maybe two a year.
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 Maybe that'd be nice, yeah, get community together. I
- 11:08 love that. Okay,
- Speaker 4 11:10
 yeah, yeah. All right. Now about safety, do you feel safe in South San Francisco
- 11:17 compared when I was teenager?
- 11:20 Yeah? Okay, so there's a difference. I

Speaker 5 11:22

grew up knowing all the gangs around here. Okay, so knowing that there's not, well, I think there's no gangs anymore, but you know, there's, you know, there's little teenagers going around, you know, especially on bikes and going into traffic. If police could do a little bit more on

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 did we run them over? And it's our fault safety,
- 11:48 especially those e bikes,
- 11:50 they're fast, right? Yeah.
- Speaker 1 11:53

 Did you want to, of course, what you're comfortable with because of what you shared. I appreciate that the change over time. What are your thoughts about what led?
- Oh, I'm happy. I mean,
- Speaker 5 12:07

I don't worry about my son going out and having something that I grew up with that, right? You know, so I saw it, I lived it. So not, you know, being able to have my son be out till eight or nine, you know, makes me feel good and safe, that there's nothing, there's no guns. Or, you know, knowing how other cities are, first thing kids do

- 12:35 is pull out a gun. And now, how
- Speaker 5 12:37

 it was, there was fights, there was gang members going up. I mean, it happened to me. Okay, that's why you don't see that anymore.
- Speaker 4 12:47

 Okay, that's good to know. Okay, have you switching gears a little bit? Have you, or anyone in your family, taking part in any of the city recreation programs? So like, for example, childcare, aqua, like water, Senior Center,
- 13:01 sport, personally, my son,
- 13:05 summertime parks and recs,
- 13:09 swimming, also,
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 Boys and Girls Club me and him.
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 And What have your experiences been?

Speaker 5 13:19

Well, when I grew up, I loved it. He I don't know if it's changed or not, okay, but I loved it when I when I went he'd rather be at home. Have you taken

- Speaker 4 13:32 part as an adult now?
- Speaker 5 13:35
 Well, I can't come to school and work, you know. So, yeah,
- 13:39 doesn't work out. I just don't
- 13:41 have time taking care of him. Okay?
- Speaker 4 13:44

 And how has it been as far as, like, getting the classes that are interesting to them, or, like,
- Speaker 5 13:52

 what's easy? Yeah, it's easy to get on, it's easy to get in. It's just like I said, when I was growing up, I enjoyed going, so I don't know the change man probably did, because I don't see it, but he wasn't enjoying it too much.
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 What sort of process did he take? Was it? What was the

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Parks and Recs during summer and Christmas break?

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Oh, like the camps? Yeah,

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 I went to those. So I enjoyed it. You know,
- 14:24 what is it about the bike? What was it that
- Speaker 5 14:28

he just said he's not he's not enjoying it. He's not having fun. But I remember when I went, I had a great time, yeah, yeah. Well, maybe because I went with my cousin, but, I mean, I look forward to going, you know, gotcha

- Speaker 4 14:43
 All right, this is my last question. Do you have any other comments or feedback about South City?
- 14:54
 I mean, like the Lucha going on right now? Yes,
- Speaker 5 14:58
 my son. Are Lucha fans. Oh, that's nice for the kids. You know, more events like this that involve kids, you know, the

- 15:08 whole family community
- ° 15:12 event, I don't
- Speaker 4 15:13
 want to keep you anymore, and thank you so much for your time and appreciate your feedback. All right, take care. Thank you. Enjoy. Enjoy you too. All right,
- ↑ 15:28 so I have five questions. If
- 15:32 you get tired, you let me know. All right, yeah.
- Speaker 1 15:39
 So first question is, on a scale one to five, one being not at all five, meaning completely.
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 How much do you trust South San Francisco?
- Speaker 6 15:53

 I mean, it depends on trust and the definition of what we're talking about. I mean, we feel safe. We have our house. You know, everything seems to work that we we take advantage Orange Park, we do all the stuff like, you know, we enjoy the programs that exist. So from that perspective, we trust that it's good for families.

Speaker 7 16:20

Yeah, well, Lisa from one to 5444, okay, public schools.

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Difference, yes, yeah. Can you tell me more about that?

Speaker 6 16:35

She worked in the school district for to try to check on before when we moved here three years ago, she worked in the school district to try to give it a feel for what, you know, what, what it was and

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not, not something we're comfortable sending our kids to.

Speaker 6 16:53

Nah, not we're we live on Grand and the schools, the public schools, even for like that, are like twos and threes. It's not, not very good. So she's in private school for kindergarten.

Speaker 1 17:04

I see, I see that sounds like some improvement. Any specific words are kind of broad,

Speaker 7 17:11

if I was to, like, dive deeper into the school issue, just as being like a former teacher in the district, I think parent involvement is really missing a lot of parents. It just, I don't know if they don't feel welcome at the schools, or what it is, but there's just not as much parent participation as maybe some of the other school districts that I have brought my kids into, or like, been around. Okay,

Speaker 1 17:36

I appreciate you clarifying, and I know And technically, the school district is separate, but it's, of course, that connected experience.

Speaker 6 17:43

Yeah, we pay our property taxes to South San Francisco County. There's

Speaker 1 17:47

that connection. Yes. All right, how about the next question, oh, whoa, that's beautiful. All right, you were brushed by the wing. Okay, so, okay. Second question, what could be done to create a stronger sense of belongingness with with being a South City resident?

Speaker 6 18:11

I mean, I do enjoy all the activities that we already have. You know, I think that's super important. One of the things I feel like coming from neighborhoods that probably weren't even neighborhoods are more built up. It doesn't feel like a neighborhood. What do you mean by that? Like we and maybe it's because we live on Grand and we have a single family house that sits between two apartment buildings and the constant turnover, you know, there's not time for like, community building at like, the neighbor level, because there's constant movement a lot most. I mean, it feels like it's mostly rentals, yeah. And so I think with that, we lose a little bit of that sense of community, that continuity, yep, exactly,

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 - similar or different,
- Speaker 7 18:51

yeah, I'd say so like, the playgrounds and the parks are like a really good place for kids to hang out and meet, but it just seems like consistently seeing the same people is pretty rare.

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Are you saying events like these or something else could help

Speaker 6 19:18

more stuff centered around the young kids, because that's how you get the families together, right? And not everybody's in public school, not everybody's even in preschool, right? So how do you get those families together out of out the doors and want to hang out? I think, I think the work at Orange Park helps.

Speaker 1 19:36

That brings you know natural that brings us to another question that, if I may, to ask. To ask, in terms of park and recs, what's your involvement, or your her involvement,

Speaker 6 19:46

her involvement, she she's done swimming, swimming, and then she's gonna do like she wants to do ballet this year in Parks and Rec and is that it we've been up in the library, in the new community center, take a painting. Trust you paint, painting two, all this, and we use the libraries extensively the new one order.

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Oh, really, okay, just a whole system, yeah, yeah.

Speaker 6 20:09

And so we use those extensively, and that's but that's been really good for her, especially at the new one with, like, everything there is to do with playing all the games, all the tactical games, you know, like Legos and the stuff on the walls. Yeah, the trails a

Speaker 1 20:24

lot, well, Centennial Trail, or, you mean, up the sign she

Speaker 6 20:28

uses that, oh, she the paved trails, like through the neighborhood, that one that goes kind of behind the mall, and then across behind that

Speaker 1 20:37

is Centennial Trail. Yeah, that's cool. That's cool. You know, actually, because you you explore different parts of the neighborhoods, Centeno trail and hikes, and how safe Did you ever feel unsafe at any point?

Speaker 7 20:50

Very quick, really surprising, especially to like my family, because they're all from Wyoming, and they're always hearing about, like, how dangerous San Francisco is, and I've never felt unsafe in South

Speaker 1 21:03

City. And you, you both responded at the same time very quickly, yeah, similar, yeah.

Speaker 6 21:08

I mean, like, I'll take the train, you know, at midnight and walk home,

Speaker 7 21:13

yeah? And that's fine. I could walk on the streets at midnight. I have a dog with me usually, but I would be fine doing it without a dog. It's very safe.

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Oh, great. Including, including, if I,

Speaker 7 21:25

if my dog wanted to go out at that time, I would take him. Yeah, I

Speaker 6 21:30

use Caltrain to go to, like, sporting events and stuff in the city or down south. Yeah, like, does we get I get back here at midnight, all right? Well, how

Speaker 1 21:39

will this in the closing you've been so generous to sharing your time together. Thank you. Thank you. Is there anything from our conversation so far, or maybe that you haven't heard about yet that you would like to share that maybe could help make the experience engagement with salsa city even better more

Speaker 7 21:54

I really appreciate, like the Parks and Recs and like all of the things that we have to do for kids, especially the swimming I wish it wasn't so competitive to get into swimming or the other programs you got to wake up at 6am and make sure you're registered that day, or else you're not going to get a spot because

Speaker 1 22:13

the demand, yeah, so it's not necessary. The Are you saying? It's just for each program the limited amount, or

Speaker 6 22:20

just unit of salt in the early swimming, it's limited. It's very limited, right? Because it's one to three or one to four for the teachers. And so that's, that's not a problem with the city, really. It's just a problem of demand. Yeah, yeah.

Speaker 7 22:32

And so, you know, we have our alarm set for 6am for the next round of swim lessons.

Speaker 1 22:38

And, well, we would love to hear an ideas. Because, you know, with all the people clamoring for the progress, if you have any ideas how we could be better, we're all up for that.

Speaker 6 22:46

Yeah, really, I mean, it's, and I don't know, you know how the new pool will help, if it's bigger, and maybe more people want to participate, because there'll be outdoor in addition to indoor, right? And make it more, more kids there, I don't know, I mean, and I don't know how much they make in wages as swim instructors, but that might be a place to like encourage people to come slightly higher salary. Is it mostly like high school kids, right? Who are teaching them? And so I think that little bit of money could make a big difference for them, and maybe get more swim teachers in there. It would

Speaker 7 23:23

also be good for them to put on their like, applications to college that they, you know, did that experience? Yeah, and Ben has also done Genentech. What is it? Garage in the

Speaker 6 23:36

community. That's cool. So I do Science Garage. I've done it at El Camino. I've done it at South City.

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Awesome. Of you. Oh, sweet, sweet, yeah.

Speaker 7 23:46

So we know that like, and just also teaching at the high schools and the junior high, the kids want to do extracurricular, not necessarily sports, but they want to do, like, extracurricular stuff and give back to the community.

- ° 23:59 So Well, you
- Speaker 1 24:00 know, in your moment here, and I know this is you wanted to enjoy a lot more the event. Really appreciate you contributing your thoughts, your voice, your yourselves for the time here to see how we can just make the experience even maybe just a little bit better. So
- 24:12 greatly appreciate it. You guys are doing a great job. We love it
- 24:15 here. Oh, thank you. Thank you very, very kind. All right.
- Speaker 4 24:17
 Lisette, on a scale of one to five, one being not at all, and five being completely How much do you trust the City of South San Francisco and explain?
- Speaker 8 24:28
 I would probably say on a four, because I don't know. I haven't really used any specific like requests from the city, but I feel like if the times that we have called the city for things, it's been fine. So I would say for only because I haven't had any specific requests.
- Speaker 4 24:43

 Okay, great. And then what would be, what could we do to create a stronger sense of belonging and sex abuse? You're doing it now.

Speaker 8 24:51

Having these kind of events where the community can come out is perfect, because I think everyone gets stuck in their own little routine, and it's nice to see the culture of South. City, right? We're right outside San Francisco, and people forget that we're a culturally rich city as well, very strong Asian and Hispanic culture here, and I think that it should be showcased like today.

Speaker 4 25:09

Awesome, awesome. All right. Now, switching gears. Have you ever felt unsafe in South San Francisco just years

Speaker 8 25:17

ago when we had an incident in our neighborhood, but the police resolved it. I feel like we were listened to? It took a bit at first, right? But once you're listened to, I think that everyone else in the community felt safe, so it was addressed very quickly.

Speaker 4 25:30

Okay, thank you for sharing that. Do you? Is there any other Do you want to share anything else about that incident, or anything else from a safety perspective? I just feel like we've

Speaker 8 25:38

been involved in a lot of house city stuff that we've been in the schools and the child care, and I think that service, and I think that services have definitely improved over the years, and glad to see

Speaker 4 25:46

that it's continues to improve. Awesome. Okay, so switching gears to the recreation programs has Have you or anyone in your family taking part in the city's recreation programs, child care, some anything like that

Speaker 8 25:57

child's care, soccer, swim, all of it and all of it take advantage of whatever we can, yeah. And what has been your experience? What can you say about it? It's been pretty easy. The only challenge was with the daycare, but that's like everywhere else. You know, being on a waiting list, and that's been part that was a challenge for preschool and TK, but for after school care, it was great. Kids loved. It. Awesome

Speaker 1 26:20

when you say challenge, what type of challenge you mean?

Speaker 8 26:23

Challenge? Couldn't get in. We were on the we were literally on the waiting list. And kept calling and calling, and they didn't get in until they were like, in third or fourth grade. I was like, Wait, we're already past that. Yeah, we're past that stage. A long time ago,

Speaker 4 26:38

I can't remember. All right, all right. All right. So last question, just kind of open ended, is there anything else you want to say about South City, anywhere it can improve, or what you actually really liked?

Speaker 8 26:49

I think it's a great city. I think definitely seeing the growth. The only concern is there is too much growth. I don't know about all the condos, and it kind of takes away the small town feel so but it's also shows the growth, so it's a double edged sword, yeah.

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And that was our last question. Okay, thank you so much.

Speaker 9 27:09

So our first question on a scale of one to five, with one being not at all, and five being completely How much do you trust the city of San Francisco, South San Francisco, and can you explain

Speaker 10 27:22

why I I guess I would say 909. Yeah, as in trust. I've lived here my whole life. I've never had any issues with anything, or never given a reason to not trust the city, things that have been brought up in the past, if I've brought the attention, like things have been done about it, like things in the community, and so it's been, yeah, no reason not to trust. Okay,

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great. And really quick. I should have done this first. So I'm

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Bianca, and your name. My name is Lauren, perfect.

Speaker 9 27:53

Thank you so much. Your whole life, and you're just here. Okay, our second question, what do you think could be done, if anything, to create a stronger sense of belonging in South San Francisco?

Speaker 10 28:06

I think more events like this, just getting the community out so that people can meet each other. I think kind of since covid, everyone kind of got a little bit recluse and has a general sense of fear of being out in kind of big groups. So just creating a safe environment for people to be able to mingle, get to know each other and create community that way. Would

Speaker 9 28:28

you say, prior to covid, that you felt like there were events, enough, events like this, or still not enough. I

Speaker 10 28:33

think there were more. It just felt like everyone would be out and about more and like comfortable doing that, whereas then covid hit and it all kind of it feels like it's coming back, yeah? And things like this are definitely helping. Yeah.

Speaker 9 28:47

Awesome, perfect. Thank you so much. So you already kind of mentioned this, but have you ever felt unsafe in South San Francisco?

Speaker 10 28:55

There is a time, oh, I live kind of by Orange Park, and there's a time somebody was roaming around Orange Park. Attacking people, I guess, and so that made me feel a little bit unsafe to go to the park. But other than that, there hasn't been really any instances. Was that like fairly No, it was a while ago.

Speaker 9 29:13

Okay, yeah. So in general, you would say, Yeah, I feel safe. Okay, yeah, perfect. Okay, we're gonna pivot a little bit to talk about recreation programs? Yes. So have you or anyone in your family ever taken part in South San Francisco recreation program? So, yes, perfect.

Speaker 10 29:29

Which one? So growing up, I did swim lessons over at Orange Park. We did, I did cooking classes from the time I was like, I don't know, like, seven years old, I took sewing classes when I was a kid. I took dance classes through park and rec, ballet, jazz. My brothers took did sports and after school things we when Orange Park used to have after school things for like lunch and stuff. We'd go do that during the summer. So yeah, we've and then my parents actually brought bocce. Community to parks and rec and started running the league through in conjunction with Parks and Rec bocci, hence the bocce. Yeah, through and through,

- Speaker 9 30:10 you would say you're very well versed. Yes, the programs that South San Francisco has
- 30:15 to offer, absolutely
- Speaker 9 30:16

 perfect. Okay, great. This is fantastic. And then just finally, do you have any comments or suggestions about what could be done to address the community's needs of South San Francisco?
- Well, there is a park that they put in. Where is that? It's like, over, kind of by or wheat, and there's no bathrooms, oh yes, the pump track and the park. So when people go, if they have, like, little kids and stuff, there's nowhere to take them. So you kind of have to, like, leave the park, which makes it kind of, I've been there, yes, difficult, yeah, okay, so you've experienced this So and then, like, with the older kids, you just see them, like, peeing in trees, you know, from the pump track. So, like, I don't know, porta potties or something like that would be Orange Park, and use that. They have to go across and, yeah, go over there, right? And so that. And then, other than that, like, I think the movie in the park, if it was, like in fall or something, when it got darker earlier, because every time we go and we bring, like little kids, it has to start so late because it gets dark so late. So I'm like, maybe pushing them back to a time where it gets darker earlier, and, like, the fall still super nice in South City, so could benefit summer. So, yes, exactly. It really didn't come this year, okay, but yeah, other than that, I love it here. Clearly, I've lived all my 40 years here. So, no, it's amazing. Yeah, it's the only city I've ever
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 perfect. Yeah, this was great feedback. Thank you so much. Take that from.

lived in, so I must like it. Fantastic,