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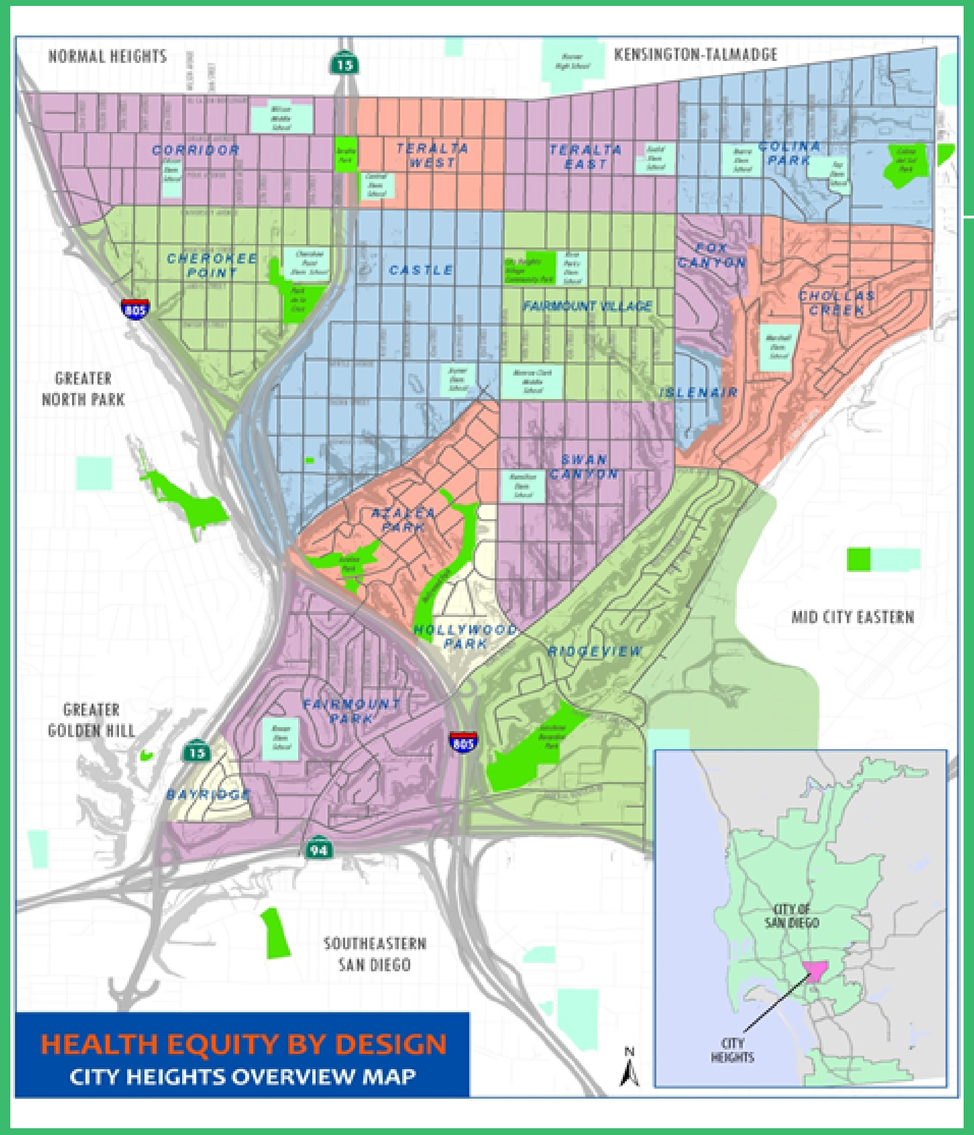
Transportation Equity and Affordable Housing Initiatives of City Heights CDC

November 4th, 2021

City Heights, a community of San Diego



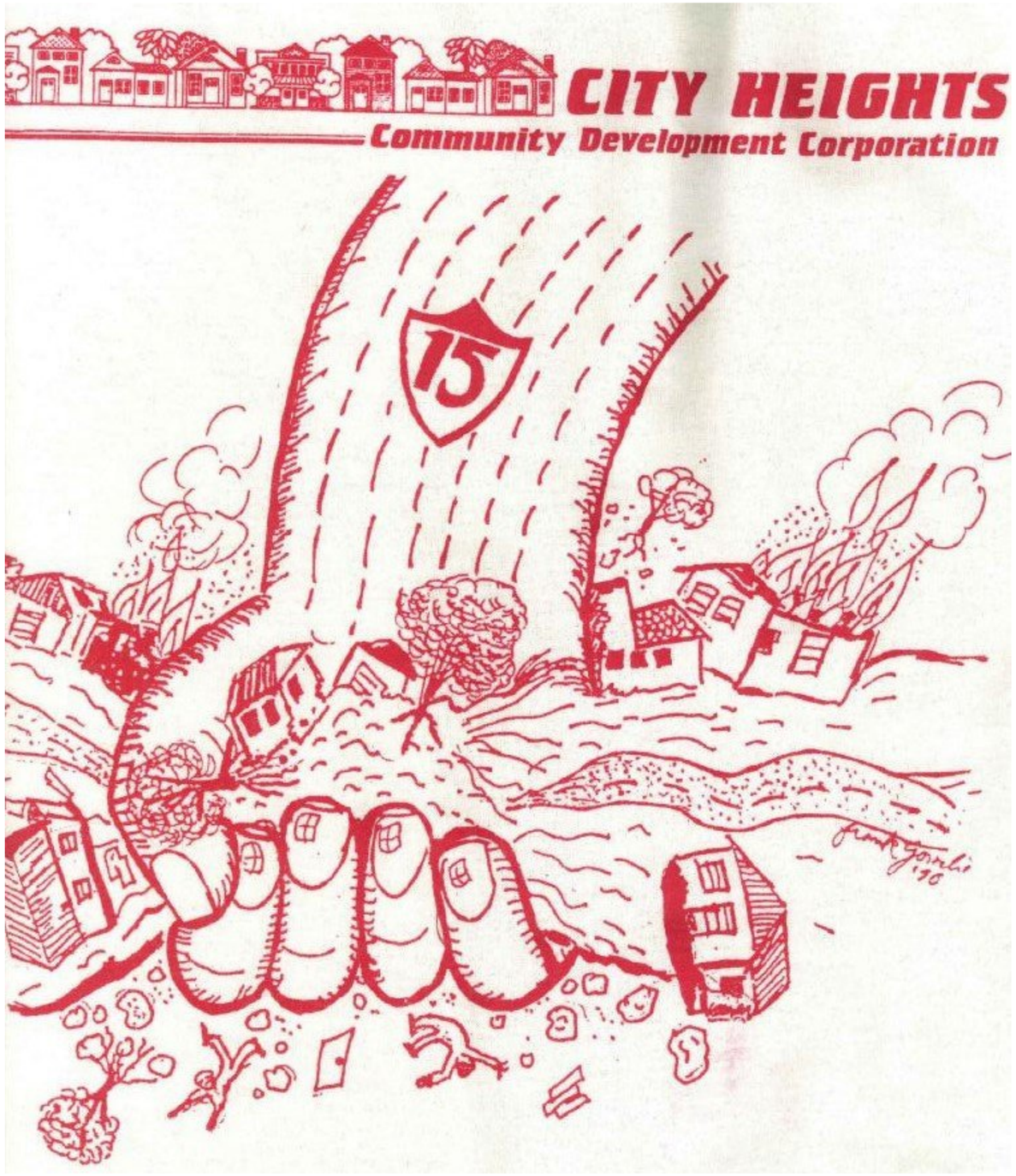
Overview of City Heights CDC

Mission:

Enhance the quality of life in City Heights by working with our community to create and sustain quality affordable housing & livable neighborhoods & foster economic self-sufficiency

Programs:

- Affordable Housing
- Resident Services
- Urban & Economic Development
- Transportation & Planning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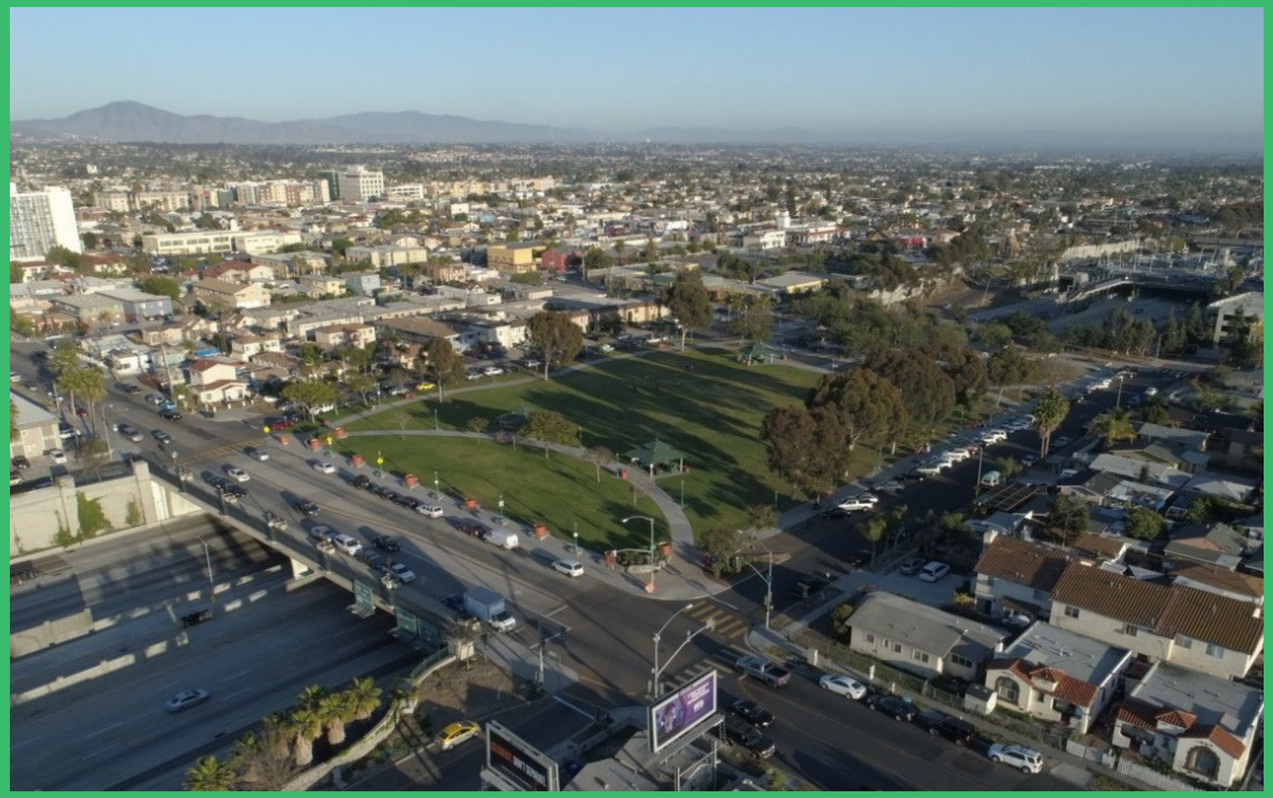
WE NEED "BRT" NOW

"Visions to Victory: A People's History of SR-15 Freeway"

SR15Visions.org



Growing our capacity as an organization, as a community

50th St & University: "Little East Africa" aka "Little Mogadishu"

Sustainable Transportation Equity Project (STEP)

Planning and Capacity Building Grant Funded by the California Air Resources Board (CARB)

The SR-15 Transportation Equity and Affordable Housing (TEAH) Task Force is a continuation of the multi-generational, resident-led SR-15 Visions campaign to advance transportation equity in City Heights, and will focus on supporting the preservation and creation of affordable housing in this displacement-vulnerable transit priority area. This partnership brings together residents, community organizations, SANDAG, MTS, and the City of San Diego.

Community engagement that celebrates joy

Affordable Housing and Anti-Displacement Initiatives

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Recommendations

- Finance affordable housing in all communities (not just high opportunity areas)
- Make public land available for affordable housing
- Preserve existing affordable housing (including NOAH)
- Expand affordable home ownership programs
- Make sure policies don’t conflict (i.e. AHSC prioritizes disadvantaged communities while LIHTC prioritizes high opportunity areas)
- Protect renters all over California

Recommendations continued

- Invest in CBOs as planning partners and allow flexibility to conduct innovative community engagement
- Provide guidance on CARB-funded community engagement communication materials (requiring approval of each flier/slide deck is not feasible)
- Invest in community-owned broadband (wifi hotspots do not help connectivity nor do they encourage community ownership around technology adoption)
- Support CBO advocacy for equitable investment in small businesses, training programs, and quality jobs for historically LMI communities

Thank you, CARB, CTC, HCD!

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