

# Solano — Dixon Family Services

## Plan Bay Area Community-Based Outreach

**Outreach area:**  
Dixon, California

**Outreach description:**

Outreach in April and May 2011 through various food banks in the county, community block party, and senior program

**Participants:** 90

(Note: Not everyone voted in all segments of the outreach.)

### Priority Transportation Investment Strategies

Participants were given 21 options for investing future transportation funding and asked to select their top six priorities.

Rank	Strategy
1	More transit service to connect housing and jobs
2	Expand commuter rail services (BART, Caltrain, etc.)
3	More frequent service on transit routes with high ridership
4	Expand express bus and local bus services
5	Widen freeways paid for with existing sources of funds
6	Invest more transportation funds to support cities that build new housing near transit that is affordable for Bay Area residents with limited income*
6	Widen major local roadways*

\* tie vote

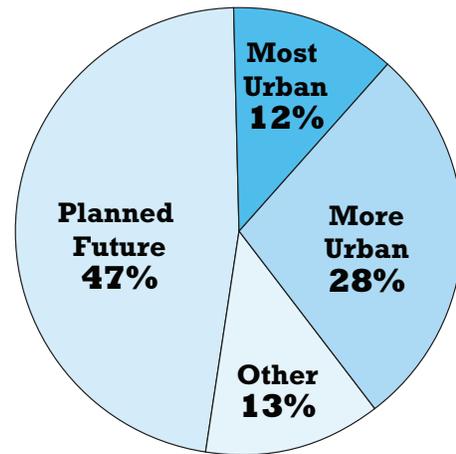
### Priority Policy Initiatives

Participants were given six options for new policies that could be adopted (at the local, regional, state or federal level) and asked to select their top three.

Rank	Initiative
1	Economic strategies (e.g., development strategies to protect existing jobs, create new jobs, or preserve warehouse/industrial sites)
2	New requirements for employers (e.g. allow employees to work from home one day per week; allow employees to pay for transit with pre-tax dollars, etc.)
3	Changing driving habits to conserve fuel & reduce harmful emissions (e.g., reduce maximum speeds to 55 mph, educate drivers to drive at even speeds, remove heavy objects from trunks to save fuel and reduce harmful emissions)*

### How will we grow?

Participants were asked to choose a preferred scenario for future growth, with "Planned Future" (labeled "current Plans") reflecting adopted MTC and ABAG plans, and "More Urban" and "Most Urban" applying increasingly higher concentrations of housing and development.



### Comments

Participants who took the survey were asked what one thing in their neighborhood (and in the Bay Area) they would like to see changed, and what one thing they would most like to keep. Some participants also submitted general comments on a separate comment card. Below are the most common responses and comments in no particular order.

- Increase job opportunities within Solano County
- Expand transportation options at a low cost
- Expand light-rail (such as BART) from San Francisco to Sacramento; expand BART to Vallejo
- Maintain "small-town" feel and tranquility in the community
- Expand neighborhood watch programs within communities in Solano County
- Increase bus transportation options on the weekends
- Maintain open spaces for farm land and keep parks
- Expand ferry service around the San Francisco Bay
- Affordable housing options, especially for seniors

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DIXON FAMILY SERVICES — SOLANO COUNTY**

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**QUESTION 4a**

***What is the one thing in your neighborhood or community that you would most like to keep ? What one thing in the Bay Area would you like to keep ?***

**COMMENT**

The small town quietness
Taxi cabs in Dixon, more jobs, better education
Carpool -- put more carpools
Dixon-Little League; Bay Area - BART system
Rent control; programs like this that help families make ends meet
Very pleasant people
Bus transportation in both areas
The stores and help
Libraries; food lockers; rivers
Calm & peaceful environment
I like the calm environment
I like the tranquility
I would like to maintain the tranquility there is now in the community
Good neighbors and a good community. Most of all I would love for everyone to trust more in the Lord.
More police patrol and firemen both in Vallejo and the Bay Area
Farm Land
Communities
Bus service
Recycle programs; rebuild community.
Our parks
Maintain the area; keep a clean community
The whole farm
Maintain the tranquility and security
Busses
Beauty of farming areas
More green spaces, more trees.
Drug dealers--homeless out of parks--patrolled - beat cop
Likes everything
Open areas and farmland
The kitty cats
The ferry service, bus systems and BART trains.
BART for both community and Bay Area
Dixon May Fair; Lamb town days; Farmers market
Financial incentives for housing
Calm and a small town
1 (In community). The city pool 2 (In the Bay Area). The MUNI buses
Light stops; food
In my area everything is good, in the Bay I would like to keep tourist part of it.
Public transit
The quiet small town feeling
The price of housing; ?
Rio Vista Community Services. Historic places
The lack of police effort
Be a united community
Keep small community
Better transportation services for young children
Restaurants areas

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**COMMENT**

In my neighborhood - I like the small town feel in Vacaville. I hope it will not grow much larger. For the Bay Area - The diversity of the population. I enjoy the many cultures here.

In my neighborhood - Too many fast food places - let's keep/bring the higher quality restaurants. For the Bay Area - I like the restaurants in San Francisco - my son takes me to fancy Sunday brunches.

In my neighborhood - I like the trees, flowers that are used to spruce up neighborhoods. We could use more. For the Bay Area - I like all the festivals in the region. I wish I could get to them more often!

In my neighborhood - I like the Farmers' Markets and the produce stands in the region. I am a "country girl." For the Bay Area - I like it all. There is so much to see and do - especially the museums.

In my neighborhood - I like the stores and restaurants all close together in downtown. Convenient for me. For the Bay Area - I really like traveling by ferry. I think we could use more of them.

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**QUESTION 4b**

***What is the one thing in your neighborhood or community that you would most like to **change** ? What one thing in the Bay Area would you like to **change** ?***

**COMMENT**

Add more shopping areas; less parking meters

Less drug/alcohol abuse by teenagers

Bus transportation -- need more in Dixon

The way people drive

Dixon - Small town. In the Bay Area--working in San Francisco - higher wages.

More Neighborhood Watch. In the Bay Area - the price of the bridge toll.

Nothing

I would want to change the uncontrolled traffic in both areas.

Community jobs

Having more places for help

More jobs; Lower cost housing

More vigilance/surveillance

I like how it is now.

I like the community

More sports and use less car transportation

More work

More transportation for seniors & disabled

I would love for our rent to be lowered

I am new to the area

1. The bus routes need to be where I don't have to walk as far just to get picked up! To walk almost a mile is ridiculous! 2. BART to come to Vallejo

Highway widen. Widen Lanes.

Too many cars, can't drive out of driveway

More jobs

Increase bus service in our area. Example, instead of one hour interval before the next bus comes in, it should be every 15 minutes.

Keep cost down; housing; no new build; encourage reusable & reuse

Job

Our road; potholes

I live on a farm

More public transportation

More public transportation services

Better playground and safety for everyone

Commuter bus to local cities; expanding light rail

Less leap frog development

More industrial sites to create more jobs

BART station Antioch/Brentwood, Sacramento; 4 lanes traffic starting at Highway 160

More transportation

More bike paths

Anything that will bring in revenue for Isleton.

More jobs and more frequent bus running

Mass transit expense out of pocket; Mass transit expense.

More jobs-better education-more out of town transportation for the elderly

Change bicycle lanes

More clean community

BART to be extended

Road Service; Traffic

In my area I wouldn't want to change anything but in the Bay Area I would add more parking.

More places for entertainment, ex: movie theaters

I would like to change the fact that jobs are so scarce and the over-development is so bad.

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<b>COMMENT</b>
People stay out of my business; price of bridge toll.
My neighborhood needs new pavement. Bay Area needs more police.
Less drugs
The traffic
More Work
Improving roads and toll price to make it easier for people to work across bridge.
Gas
More security for the children who walk to school
Neighborhood - Enforce speed limits. Kids are always racing up and down the street. Bay Area - Would be good to have BART in Solano county
Neighborhood - We need to see more housing that seniors can afford. We are all on fixed incomes. In the Bay Area -- I think all the Bay Area should have more senior housing. We are all getting older faster!
Neighborhood - Transportation more available on the weekends - especially Sunday. Most seniors are stuck at home and cannot enjoy weekend festivals, etc. In the Bay Area -- Definitely BART in Solano County.
Neighborhood - I think we have enough growth in Vacaville. I miss the days when it was a small town. I have lived here for 40 years. In the Bay Area -- Too much growth. Freeway always congested when we go to visit my daughter in Berkeley.
Neighborhood - Transit services on Sundays; difficult to get to church. Bay Area - Having BART in Solano County would be helpful.