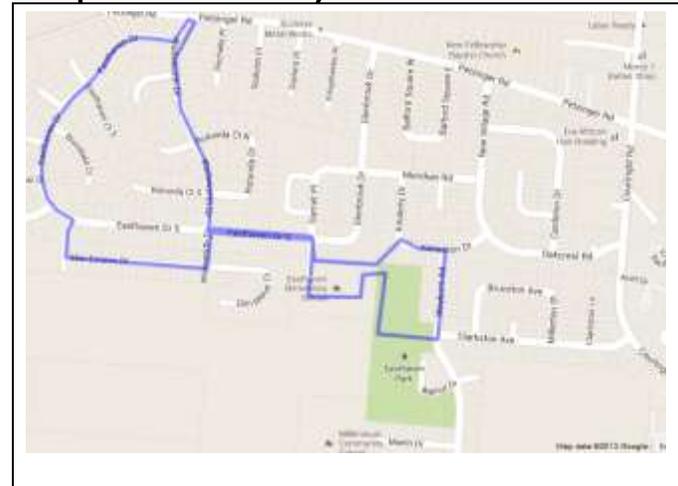


Study Information

Community Name	Easthaven
Date of Walk Study:	5.30.13
Participants:	City Staff: 2
	Adults: 3
	Children: 1
Distance Walked:	2.15 Miles <i>(ex. 1.78 miles)</i>
Weather Conditions:	Warm, Sunny, low 80s <i>(ex. Partly Cloudy, low 50's)</i>

Map of Area Surveyed



General Comments:

Overall, Easthaven is a great neighborhood for leisure walking. Almost all streets within the pride area have sidewalks, street trees, and connect to a school and a park located centrally in the neighborhood. Safety related to crime and speed of traffic and a lack of connections to surrounding destinations are the major barriers to walking in daily life.

Photos:



Lots of open space surrounds Easthaven Elementary school.



Easthaven Park has a playground and a path connection to the adjacent school.



Children still play in the streets because there are not enough play areas with age appropriate equipment.

Comments:

There are several play resources available nearby. However, those resources do not have enough equipment or all kids. Other group sporting areas are needed. Both the school and park have large green spaces, but lack walking trails which would make them more active places. Easthaven park is a good play area, but contains minimal equipment. Residents which there were a recreation center and a spray park in Easthaven Park to allow for play and recreation all year round.

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<p>No sidewalks on Petzinger or at the street intersections that connect to it.</p>	<p>Some overgrown shrubs make walking difficult.</p>	<p>New ADA ramps throughout the pride area.</p>
<p>Comments: On the whole, many streets are good for walking in the pride area. Sidewalks connect throughout, trees provide shade, much of the area as a green buffer between the walk and the street. Dump trucks and through traffic at Petzinger and Wadsworth have deteriorated the road and made walking there difficult or feel unsafe. As many kids were observed biking in the area, residents wish that there were a bike trail from Easthaven School connecting to Three Creeks Metro Park (just outside of the pride area). Finally, residents would walk to destinations outside of the pride area, were there safe walking routes to do so. Residents request sidewalks on Courtright and Refugee Roads.</p>		

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Crosswalks on streets leading to the school.

Traffic speeds down Petzinger and Wadsworth.

Remnants of graffiti on the school.



Some traffic calming features.

Kids bike on the sidewalk for safety.

Traffic calming signage.

Comments:

While streets looks and feel safe, the community has concerns related to real and perceived crime. Kinderly and multifamily along Easthaven are streets known for crime (drive by shootings).

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Beautiful homes on Elm Estates

Neighborhood maintains the yard of his and other homes.

Remnants of graffiti on the side of a multifamily unit.

Comments: The neighborhood contains a mix of single family, multifamily, and senior housing built in the early 1960's, 1990's, and 2000's. On the whole, housing is well maintained. Residents have the greatest issues with multifamily housing that is not well maintained or that constantly is the site of gathering bulk trash or debris. Several homes have shrubs, bushes, or weeds that are not well trimmed that impeded walking. Residents wish there were noise walls on James Road/Route 33 (north) to 70 East freeway to Grove Road to buffer the highway traffic noise which can be heard throughout the day and night on the North and West sides of the pride area.

