

# SIMPL Creating Connectivity

SIMPL's goal is to transform a community into a place that people want to be, where everyone can be a productive and valued member of the community and everyone can get to where they need to go. This transformation will, of course, have impacts and benefits within the project area but it will also have benefits for Sacramento residents who live outside the project area. The strategies and innovative, integrated approach used to deliver this transformation will contribute to increases in the overall health and vibrancy of the city and raise the quality of life and accessibility to resources for residents within the transformed project area. The TCC projects, in coordination with leveraged projects will open up the project area to residents in other parts of the city, giving them access to new parks, greenspaces, bike and walking paths, and creating an integrated place that people want to be in. Transit access and mobility are at the heart of the SIMPL project and connectivity is a priority of all the projects in the project area. SIMPL opens up the project area for those who live there and those who live elsewhere in the city. The growth in connectivity will give project area residents access to new job and education opportunities and give residents from other areas access to new parks, bike and walking trails.

Leveraged projects include Complete Streets (12<sup>th</sup> and 16<sup>th</sup> street), Downtown Grid Mobility 3.0, Micro-transit Electrification, Twin Rivers City Park, Streetcar, EV program, Low-Income Weatherization, Sacramento Promise Zone support, and Wide Open Walls. Complete Streets will include bike and pedestrian walkways improvements, traffic calming projects, streetscapes improvement and new and improved pedestrian crossings. Micro-transit Electrification will provide services with micro-transit electric vehicles and the EV Program will include charging station installation and technical support. Twin Rivers City Park will include the addition of new recreational equipment and Wide Open Walls will provide murals from local and internationally known artists to help beautify the project area.

SIMPL provides community benefits across 5 key strategies, all interacting to provide a cohesive lift to residents of the project area and to residents outside of the project area. Strategies include **equitable housing and neighborhood development, transit access and mobility, decarbonized energy, urban greening and green infrastructure, health and wellbeing**. Together, these strategies will allow delivery of a well-planned but flexible transformation of the project area with investments focused on mobility, economic opportunity and social equity. SIMPL creates connectivity for the city of Sacramento.

## PROJECT BENEFITS



**EQUITABLE  
HOUSING**



**INCREASED  
MOBILITY**



**URBAN  
GREENING**



**DECARBONIZED  
ENERGY**



**HEALTH &  
WELLBEING**

## OUR MISSION

*SIMPLY, a  
healthy and  
sustainable  
future of  
opportunity,  
inclusion and  
integration.*

# OUR PROJECTS

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Twin Rivers Public Housing Development

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Solar Panels

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Dos Rios Light Rail Station

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NeighborWoods Program

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Twin Rivers Housing Community Garden



Jump Bikes



NeighborWoods Urban Greening & Green Infrastructure



Project area that falls within the top 5% of disadvantaged communities\*



Project area that falls within the top 25% of disadvantaged communities\*



Affordable Housing



Low Income Weatherization in Existing Homes



Mobility Grid



SmART Ride Service Area



Streetcar Project



Light Rail



12th & 16th Street Improvements



Electric Vehicle Charging Station



Recreational Equipment



Wide Open Walls



## TWIN RIVERS PUBLIC HOUSING DEVELOPMENT



### EQUITABLE HOUSING

**99%** of units in Twin River Development Block A will be **affordable housing** and construction will include local hire requirements with a goal 30% of hires who identify as public housing residents and/or low and very low-income persons.



### INCREASED MOBILITY

Development will house a new **Jump Bike** shared mobility hub, residents will be given vouchers for **50% off of bus passes**, and there will be a new **electric car share program** with 4 charging stations and 2 EV car shares.



### URBAN GREENING

**500 new trees** will be planted in the new development.

## CONNECTION LEVERAGE PROJECTS FOR TWIN RIVERS HOUSING DEVELOPMENT



Improvements to 12<sup>th</sup> and 16<sup>th</sup> street will include bike and pedestrian walkways improvement, traffic calming projects, streetscapes improvement and new and improved pedestrian crossings.



The Downtown Mobility Grid 3.0 serves as the City's plan to integrate a number of planned transportation improvements and programs and to further enhance the downtown grid.



Micro-transit electrification (SmaRT Ride) will give residents access to more point-to-point transportation over shorter distances that fixed routes may not reach or serve as effectively. It will also provide better connectivity between the lower density neighborhoods in East Sacramento and medical facilities (e.g., Sutter General, Mercy General and UC Davis) that are not easily reached by fixed-route transit.



The Streetcar project will fund streetcar route construction across the southern portion of the project area, providing another transit option and point of connection for project area residents and for those living outside the project area.



EV Program will provide charging stations and technical support at multiple locations within the project area, connecting residents inside and outside of the project area to opportunities in different areas of the city.



The Twin Rivers City Park will provide a new park for the project area with new recreational equipment, giving project area residents and those outside of the project area an outdoor place to connect and enjoy with their children.



## SOLAR PANELS



### DECARBONIZED ENERGY

**Photo Voltaic (PV) system solar installation** across roof surfaces and a carport/shade structure in the project area will offset common electric use.

## CONNECTION LEVERAGE PROJECTS FOR TWIN RIVERS HOUSING SOLAR PANELS



Partnered with the EV Program, the PV power will help to provide lower cost electricity to ensure the onsite electric car share program is affordable to residents and has long term viability.



## DOS RIOS LIGHT RAIL STATION



### INCREASED MOBILITY

**150 light rail vouchers** will be provided to area residents to increase their mobility and access options. The area surrounding the station will be more **bikeable and walkable** thanks to street completion and improvement projects on 12<sup>th</sup> and 16<sup>th</sup> streets.



### URBAN GREENING

**Streetscape improvements** on 12<sup>th</sup> and 16<sup>th</sup> avenues surrounding the new station will enrich urban greening efforts in the Dos Rios Station area along with tree planting in the station area.



### HEALTH & WELLBEING

Using the light rail to connect with resources throughout the city helps to **reduce single car air pollution** and provides easier access to city health resources.

## CONNECTION LEVERAGE PROJECTS FOR DOS RIOS STATION



Improvements to 12<sup>th</sup> and 16<sup>th</sup> street will include bike and pedestrian walkways improvement, traffic calming projects, streetscapes improvement and new and improved pedestrian crossings and will improve the area around the new Dos Rios station.



EV Program will provide charging stations and technical support at multiple locations within the project area, connecting residents inside and outside of the project area to opportunities in different areas of the city.



## NEIGHBORHOODS PROGRAM



### EQUITABLE HOUSING

Through leveraged projects, **487 units** of affordable housing will be constructed near the Sacramento Valley Station. The increased shade will help reduce home energy bills.



### URBAN GREENING

**500 trees** will be planted throughout the River District, including at the Twin River Basketball Court.



### HEALTH & WELLBEING

The environmental improvements in this project will encourage an increase in healthy behaviors, such as **increase in walking**, while helping to build neighborhood and **social attachments**, which also encourage positive changes in environmental and health behaviors.

## CONNECTION LEVERAGE PROJECTS FOR NEIGHBORHOODS



The Greenstreets Project will plant 137 trees and connect existing and future residents to planned parks and open spaces in The Railyards and along the Sacramento riverfront.



Green Streets also includes planned 7<sup>th</sup> Street light rail stop for additional connectivity as part of the light rail circulation network, improving bicycle and pedestrian access between Downtown, The Railyards and the River District.



SMUD will be providing low income home weatherization for a number of existing households within the project area, increasing residents' comfort, control and a connection around pride in their homes and neighborhood.



Jump Bike shared mobility hubs will be installed throughout the area.



Wide Open Walls will provide 25 murals with walking tours to highlight the new community artwork.



## TWIN RIVERS HOUSING COMMUNITY GARDEN



### URBAN GREENING

Adding a community garden for the Twin Rivers Housing Development will provide an **additional greenspace** for the residents.



### HEALTH & WELLBEING

People who participate in community gardens **eat more fruit and vegetables** on a daily basis than non-gardeners. Increase in the intake of fruits and vegetables help to improve overall personal health.

## CONNECTION LEVERAGE PROJECTS FOR TWIN RIVERS HOUSING COMMUNITY GARDEN



Partnered with the Twin Rivers Community Park with its addition of recreational equipment, the garden will encourage residents to participate in more outdoor recreational activities.