

COMMUNITY OPEN HOUSE & PROPOSAL POLLING

WELCOME! The activities tonight are in an open house format. We hope you enjoy, learn, and participate in the polling on the six pilot proposals for your parish.

Before you get started, grab some food, catch up with your neighbors, and enjoy the art and music! If you are new to LA SAFE, visit the boards near the entrance to get caught up on the work so far.

TONIGHT'S PREFERENCE POLLING

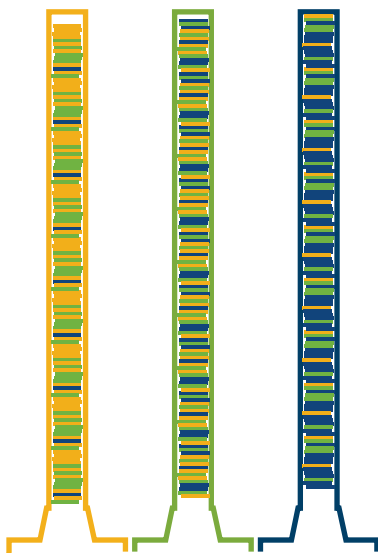
There are six proposal boards around the room. Visit each of them, ask questions, and fill out your comment cards. Once you have thought about each of the proposals, visit the polling station.

You will be given six tokens: two gold, two green, and two blue. **Drop one token in each tube** based on your level of preference. At 7:30 pm, polling will close and the results will be revealed!

Gold is best! These are for your two favorite projects. Each gold token is worth 2 points.

Green is second! These are for your third and fourth favorite projects. Each is 1 point.

Blue is last. These are for your two least favorite projects. No points.



WHY YOUR PREFERENCE MATTERS

These criteria will be used to evaluate the final proposals:

1. **Public Preference** - The result of the preference polling tonight and an online poll for other past meeting participants.
2. **Leverage Funds** - The level of matching funds from other sources to implement the project.
3. **LMI Benefit** - Points awarded to projects that predominately benefit a low-to-moderate income population.
4. **Public Benefit (Quantitative)** - The level of benefit to the public that can be measured. For example, the number of units created in a housing proposal, or the amount of water stored in a stormwater management proposal.
5. **Public Benefit (Qualitative)** - The degree to which the project addresses future flood risk in a unique way and/or improves quality of life for residents.
6. **CRS Score** - Awarded to projects that gain points in FEMA's Community Rating System (CRS), which lowers flood insurance rates.

The final plan, including funding, will be released in the first quarter of 2018!

ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST PARISH PILOT PROPOSALS

For more information, visit the proposal boards.



A AIRLINE & MAIN COMPLETE STREETS

This proposal will add green stormwater management infrastructure, sidewalks, native plantings and historic light poles and banners to planned improvements on Airline Highway and Main Street. These complete street designs aim to attract reinvestment in these commercial corridors, reduce flooding and improve safety.



B DUBOURG CANAL PARK

This proposal will include an improved canal with enhanced drainage, a linear park and trail system that connects Fairway Drive to Dominican Drive. The improvements will provide better drainage and serve as an educational and recreational hub for the community.



C MIXED-USE HOUSING DEVELOPMENT

This proposal will fund a development of approximately 30 housing units and 10,000 sf of commercial space in either LaPlace or Garyville, providing a model for mixed use development in low risk areas. The development will include shared green space that doubles as stormwater management infrastructure and may serve as Phase 1 of a larger neighborhood master plan.



D EDGARD COMMUNITY CENTER & SHELTER

This proposal funds the design, permitting and site preparation for a multi-service community center on the West Bank to meet the needs of a growing population in the area. The community center will incorporate energy-efficient design and best stormwater management practices. It may include facilities for community events, sports, arts and crafts, a commercial kitchen or a health clinic and will also serve as a hurricane shelter.



E HISTORIC/CULTURAL DISTRICTS & GREEN STREETS

Louisiana's unique culture and history are major attractions for visitors and residents alike. This proposal promotes St. John's four historical districts to attract new residents, businesses and tourists. It also increases walkability in the districts by improving sidewalks, adding additional lighting and planting native vegetation to beautify the streets and increase stormwater management capacity.



F LAPLACE MULTI-MODAL TRANSIT STATION

This proposal will develop a multi-modal transit station in downtown LaPlace, linking roads, trails, bus routes and eventually the proposed commuter rail line between Baton Rouge and New Orleans. It will also include retail opportunities and flexible space for community events that can double as a disaster shelter during emergencies.

