



Location: Compton, Los Angeles County

Timeframe: 2006 - 2007

Project Partners: City of Compton

Project Services

- Identifying obstacles to infill
- Outreach and media campaigns
- Public workshops
- Video fly-throughs



The Compass Blueprint Program facilitated a visioning process for the City of Compton that engaged residents, community leaders and other stakeholders to outline priorities for the City's future. The vision will be incorporated into the City's updated General Plan and into small-area plans for the Brickyard, Compton and Artesia Station areas.

Goals

- Develop a planning process that stimulates awareness and social empowerment for all citizens of Compton
- Beautify the City and improve its infrastructure
- Allow for safe, walkable neighborhoods and parks, and a strong educational foundation for Compton's youth
- Enhance and sustain a robust economy with vibrant local business districts, excellent housing and employment opportunities

Compton is a city on the rise. Viewed by many economists as an "entrepreneurial hot spot," Compton has been listed nationally as one of the best places to start and grow a business. It is a city with many resources. There is an airport, a Los Angeles County Superior Court building, a community college, three high schools, nine middle schools, two dozen elementary schools, four fire stations, 13 parks (on approximately 60 acres of land), a three par golf course, two libraries, two historical State landmarks, and approximately 2500 businesses all within Compton city limits. Compass Blueprint helped facilitate a visioning process for the City of Compton that engaged an unprecedented number of residents, community leaders and other stakeholders to outline priorities for the City's future.

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Results

- A Vision guided by Compton residents and stakeholders serving as the foundation of the General Plan update
- Policy adjustments to reflect Vision
- 50-acre Atkinson Brick Company site could yield as many as 665 residential units and over 755,000 sq. ft. of gross retail, office and light industrial space
- Compton Station -136 unit condominium project on North Tamarind Avenue is being developed by the Olson group
- 51 acres of the former auto mall area to be called the Gateway Towne Center, will include over 500,000 square feet of retail space
- Artesia Station- 43 acres of land, 26 of which will be devoted to open space and parks, or as a buffer zone between industrial and residential districts