

## A LIVING LIBRARY CULTURE-ECOLOGY-TECHNOLOGY NATIVE RIPARIAN / UPLANDS TRANSIT CORRIDORS A Phased Development Project

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Incorporating systemic ecological design, the opportunity is to create *A Living Library Nature Walk* through Transit Corridors in diverse neighborhoods that will simultaneously serve multiple functions:

- **Frame the Islais Creek Watershed** through this new narrative landscape: Link and reunite several San Francisco communities: Bernal Heights, Mission, Bayview, Potrero Hill, Noe Valley, Glen Park, Sunnyside, Excelsior, Portola - through their connection to the Watershed.
- **Mitigate flooding** from the Islais Creek in areas of flood plain.
- **Plant native riparian and uplands trees and other native vegetation** along transit corridors
- reconfiguring streets, medians, sidewalks, and other public places, when possible, to help stop flooding, beautify local places, while re-attracting wildlife.
- **Provide traffic calming, bike and pedestrian paths, and seating areas, when possible.**
- **Develop, with community artists, themed narrative murals and other artworks** along the corridors that celebrate local ecologies, history, and cultures - past, present, future.
- **Create meaningful intergenerational learning programs for all ages** linking interrelated subjects based on *A Living Library Framework* and *ALL Standards-Based Curriculum*.
- **Create multiple community educational and civic engagement opportunities.**
- **Attract new businesses to underserved neighborhoods** by adding charm and interest to neighborhoods by creating *A Living Library ECO/Culture Zone* in each community.
- **Transform and beautify each neighborhood** and contribute positively to the quality of life for all people.
- **Celebrate the uniqueness of each neighborhood** by showcasing the local resources: ecological, built, and multicultural – past, present, future – through creation of *Living Library Multimedia Digital Archives* developed in concert with community residents, including children and youth, displayed on green-powered, sculptural *Digital Gateways* throughout the Transit Corridors.
- **Create opportunities to link the communities through live, interactive broadcast** showcased on these green-powered *Digital Gateways*.
- **Link the existing Branch Living Library sites** in the Excelsior, Bernal and Roosevelt Island, NYC communities through interactive community programs and live broadcast; link with other *Branch Living Library* sites as they emerge in diverse parts of the world.
- **Link the BART stations in the Islais Creek Watershed:** Balboa; Glen Park; 24<sup>th</sup> Street through live, interactive connections between the sites and displays of the local *Living Library Multimedia Archives* of each neighborhood.
- **Discover areas of Creek that may be daylighted:** along Highway 280; near Balboa HS, other places.
- **Link multiple city and state agencies, community groups, and individuals** in processes.

The main streets to involve and transform include sections of: Cesar Chavez, 101/ Bayshore / Potrero / Chavez Freeway Interchange, Mission Street, San Jose Avenue, Geneva Avenue, Third Street, Alemany Blvd., Highway 280, Cargo Way.