Policy, System & Environmental interventions will be identified by local leaders and groups by conducting local assessments and devising action plans with technical assistance from subject matter experts.

Focus: PSE
EXAMPLES

Assessments

Usable Spaces

Tactical

Plans ...

Policy ...

Environmental Change ...

New Grants/ Leverage

WORKING ON WELLNESS ENVIRONMENTS
READINESS / FEASIBILITY

WORKING ON WELLNESS ENVIRONMENTS
Local CHAMPIONS

Working on Wellness in Hidalgo County
December 21, 2018

This morning the Weslaco High School FCCLA club hosted the City of Weslaco, The Official Site Parks & Recreation team at the VHS Christmas Breakfast. The team received a VHS t-shirt and may for their dedication and support of the the Adopt-A-Park partnership of Gibson Park.

Weslaco Parks and Recreation has been instrumental in WoW efforts to create a healthy community in Weslaco. Thank you for your continued support and all you do for Weslaco! #Weslaco #WeslacoParks #HealthyLiving

Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service - Starr County
November 29, 2018

2018 Volunteer Recognition & Dinner Tonight Event was a great success! Thank you to all the volunteers who make AgriLife Extension activities flow from day to day and in making our community a better place. Thank you again!
LOCAL ASSESSMENTS

WORKING ON WELLNESS ENVIRONMENTS
PLANS with PHASES / ALTERNATIVES

WORKING ON WELLNESS ENVIRONMENTS

Citizens reported “changing the bathroom entrances” as a key priority. Restroom entrance site lines are blocked from most points of the park. Park users have observed illicit behaviors near these entrances. Coughs are also concerned that they cannot see youth safely enter and exit the restrooms.

CPED case studies indicate opening up the line-of-site by reducing “privacy walls” size or by adding doors, windows, and foot holes can reduce crime and increase perceived safety.

Coalition members have also suggested adding a mural to the front facade of the building to increase visual perceptions and create a sense of ownership. Case studies indicate public murals help reduce crime and vandalism.

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<td>A. Add a mural to the front of the restroom tapola</td>
<td>Acquire appraisal form, Commission for mural and volunteer point day, Schedule point day</td>
<td>Provide cleaning, priming, and painting bent products as needed..</td>
<td>Work with Coalition to provide tags and naming for approval processes, schedule and host point day.</td>
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<td>B. Fence change: cleft to field access behind the building</td>
<td>Get fence type approved by County, key volunteers, and CPED guidelines</td>
<td>Provide technical assistance with material selection</td>
<td>Install fences or approve coalition volunteer to install</td>
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<td>C. Open up view by reducing wall size or by adding door frames, windows, and foot views</td>
<td>Pending County approval yet design changes reviewed by construction experts</td>
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<td>Approve request to get design suggestions reviewed by construction experts</td>
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* Crime Prevention through Environmental Design. ** Cost estimate pending review from construction experts
Build on Small Wins with BIG Impacts

The park was abandoned, and vandalized by the youngsters that couldn’t find anything better to do.

WORKING ON WELLNESS ENVIRONMENTS
It is not LINEAR - planning and upkeep are CYCLES
LINKING PARTNERS/ BUILDING SYSTEMS

- Adopts Master Trails Plan
- 5.5 miles of bicycle lanes installed
- Bikearoos bicycle safety program created
- 9 Bike Friendly Businesses
  - Bicycle Parking
  - Discounts for cyclists
  - Free access to restrooms & water refill stations
- Coalition has joined the Hidalgo County MPO, Metropolitan Planning Organization's Bicycle & Pedestrian Advisory Committee
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