

Merced County Local Child Care and Development Planning Council

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SJ Valley Ideal Future 2050

<u>Vote</u>	<u>Ideal ideas from participants</u>
15	Wisdom to find the balance in planning for our future
12	Maintain Ag culture - by using land smarter
12	More protection of farm land
11	Access to affordable housing
10	Better coordination of mass transportation and better utilization of R/R
10	Better educated workforce
9	Adequate roads to move around easily
8	Better communication between cities, county government and planning commissions- Need to get on same page valleywide- Support the Blueprint
8	Create communities not subdivisions- Create higher standards for developing communities
7	Persons of all abilities can be fully included in schools, homes, neighborhoods etc.
7	Quality child care centers and family home care
7	Everyone can read
6	Growth of schools keeping up with growth of communities
6	More and better recreational and cultural opportunities
6	Evidence that cities have planned for future growth
5	Development and growth that care about existing communities
5	Light rail and public transit that connects communities
5	Better quality schools
4	Celebrate and embrace our diversity
4	Continuous growth
4	More opportunities for youth to socialize and have fun
4	Highways that connect communities
4	Free quality preschool for all children
4	Better and bigger airport
4	Building up instead of out- ex. Multi story shopping with parking on roof
4	Ensure supply of quality water
3	Enough food for everyone

3	Sustainable resources that meet the needs of the Valley
3	Students that have life skills-Dependable, honest, reliable workers
3	Adequate waste water treatment plants
3	Adequate funding for transportation
3	More industry without taking farms
3	Plan communities that maximize human interaction that is multi generational and where we care about each and take care of each other
2	Disaster relief plan
2	College bound culture
2	Communities that support health, exercising and play- ie bikepaths, sidewalks, community pools, hiking trails etc.
1	Priorities/incentives to communities and development that are consistent w/Blueprint
0	Spending more time interacting with Nature
0	Communities where children can play in front yard and be safe
0	More trees
0	Better libraries and better access to libraries
0	Make sure we provide for the low income, homeless, migrant populations
0	better communication to rural communities
0	State of the art technology
0	More trade and vocational schools
0	Find ways to protect people that found stability in the community- Stop development from taking over existing communities- i.e. Eminent Domain problem and redevelopment
0	Parents building healthy relationships with their children
0	More resource specialist for pre K-12 and services for people with disabilities
0	Be able to see the Sierras everyday
0	Child care close to transit hubs
0	Quality health care w/ better primary and specialty care w/full access including access to mental health and public health services
0	Higher paying quality jobs
0	An early care and education workforce that represents diverse cultural make-up of our communities
0	More men in the field of child care
0	Increase in public services
0	Planning for our future with our children and adolescence in mind and include them in the planning process
0	Utilize hydroelectric to generate power- use farm water and irrigation canals to generate electricity

0	Promote cultural diversity- more interaction among community groups
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