**MAGNET focus ground sessions with residents hosted via Zoom**

All focus group sessions facilitated by

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1. Youth focus group session, December 1, 2020
2. Senior resident focus group session, December 8, 2020
3. Parent focus group session, December 15, 2020

**Immediate questions & concerns from residents upon intro to the project:**

* Basketball Courts (more courts - separation between youth & adults)
* Open programming for the whole community
* Opportunities for community activation & interaction
* Vocalization from MAGNET about the purpose of the space & connection to the community
* Education for all age groups
* Connection to previously incarcerated peoples

**What are your fondest memories of growing up?**

* Skating at the Salvation Army
* Rec Centers
* Being able to play outside with friends
* Giant playground at Cedar-Hill
* Safety and comfort for the children
* Magaret Arlan
* Playgrounds that are safe
* Being around different people (variety)

**What needs to happen for you or your children to want to visit a playground?**

**(listed in order of most frequently stated)**

1. Safety
2. Gardens
3. Lighting
4. Accessibility
5. Maintained Park & Playground Equipment
6. Trees & Shrubbery
7. Green Space (between space and street)
8. Benches & Seating
9. Water Fountain (clean drinking water station)
10. Creative Sources (raised platform, mini stage, chalkboards, painting easels)
11. Meditation Space
12. Color & Murals

**What would your dream park look like for children, teens, and parents?**

* Something Botanical Garden like
* Flower Beds
* Lending Library
* Rotating Nature Exhibits
* Gardening Lessons
* Community Garden
* Climbing Options
* Sign Language Board
* Communal Areas to Eat & Gather
* Sanitary Bathrooms
* Cultural Walls (art from other cultures)
* Covered Area/Weather Shelter
* Meditation Space/Garden
* WiFi
* Charging Stations
* BBQ Grills
* Non-Metal Slides
* Ice Cream Stand