MDW

MONTCLAIR DESIGN WEEK

Designing Our Next Mayor

Panel and Community Brainstorm
Saturday, October 19, 2019

The goal of the evening

Designing a process that mobilizes citizens to create leaders, not the other way around.

The tone of the evening

Playful
Inclusive
Thought-provoking

Code of Conduct

Our co-hosts for the evening

Julie Harris, Riverbend Coaching
Michael Hill, NJTV News

Our panelists

David Cruz, NJTV News
Julia Martin, Gannett Media
Steven McCarthy, McCarthy Productions

4 Themes

A direct outcome of a series of community-centered design events conducted during MDW 2018.

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Mobility and Transportation

Inclusive City

Food Systems

Livable City

Mobility & Transportation: Moving Through Montclair

- How can pedestrians move through the streets more safely?
- What is the role of the bike in a new Montclair?
- How do we get people more access to public transportation?
- What does a good bus shelter look like?

Inclusive City: Connecting Montclair

- What role does design play in allowing equal access to Montclair?
- How are stronger connections fostered across a diverse communities?
- How are transplants integrated into the community?
- How do lifelong residents stay connected to the community?

Food Systems: Feeding Montclair

- How do we encourage residents to participate in their own food production?
- How do we bring people together around food?
- How are we feeding residents that need assistance?
- What are the new sources of food that need to be explored?
- How do we network the existing spaces of food production & distribution to feed more folks?

Livable City: Planning Montclair

- How do developers respond to a new Montclair in a more responsible way? How do we activate open/abandoned space in meaningful ways?
- How do residents get more voice at town planning meetings?
- How can the space of social media (montclair Share, ect.) be productive spaces for interaction and action?
- How do residents take-over public space and reclaim common areas?