



# CommUniverCity • San José

a partnership for service,  
learning & empowerment



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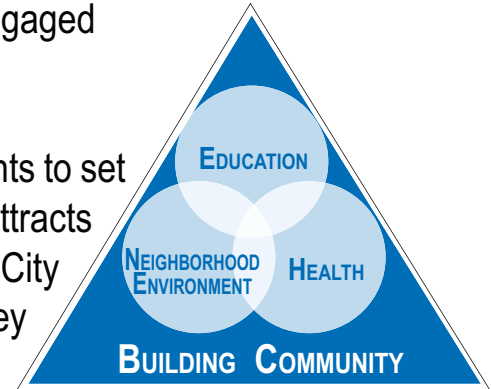
CommUniverCity unites the passion of **Community** residents, the energy of San Jose State **University** students, and the resources of the **City** to create stronger communities.

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# How CommUniverCity Works

CommUniverCity combines the power of community members, students, and the City of San Jose to bring about healthy and engaged neighborhoods with a college going culture.

CommUniverCity builds community by engaging residents to set the goals of the community. CommUniverCity then attracts eager students to perform outreach and research. The City of San Jose helps to bring it all together, by providing key resources and knowledge to carry out the community's goals.



Working together with residents, students, university faculty, city staff, and non-profit partners since 2005, CommUniverCity San Jose has:

- Engaged over 33,551 neighborhood residents
- Organized over 7,754 students
- Inspired 1,295 corporate volunteers
- Conducted more than 105,543 hours of community service, valued at approximately \$2,037,896

Garden to Table



Students from the Writing Partners Program



## Project Highlights

CommUniverCity has engaged thousands of students and residents to work on over 200 projects since 2005. Some highlights are:

**Writing Partners** - In order to build strong writing skills, elementary school and SJSU students build relationships by exchanging letters for several months. Afterwards, the elementary students are brought to SJSU's campus to meet their penpals and learn about the many benefits of a college education.

**Garden to Table** - CommUniverCity works to empower the community to grow their own food by setting up gardens, teaching people how to garden, harvesting local fruit trees and delivering the collected fruit throughout the community.

**Rails to Trails** - With the help of CommUniverCity, residents completed a plan to convert an unused rail line into a recreational trail that will connect to the future BART station. This plan has been adopted by the city, and will help build a new neighborhood center with shops, homes, and parks, all within walking distance of each other.

**Day of Service** - Every year, CommUniverCity engages over 1,000 SJSU students, neighborhood residents and city staff to beautify landscapes, clean up trash and paint homes.

**Record Clearance** - With the help of SJSU students and volunteer attorneys, CommUniverCity has helped 88 San Jose residents clear their legal records. It's easier than you think.

Day of Service



Rails to Trails





# For more info

Check us out online at [www.CommUniverCitysanjose.org](http://www.CommUniverCitysanjose.org)

There you will find:

- a photo gallery
- project reports
- a link to sign up for our newsletter to receive updates
- information about how to recommend new projects
- a calendar of events

We would love to hear from you!

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## The Community sets the priorities



## CommUniverCity helps the community achieve them

