

**Why does this property matter to you? And What concerns do you have?**

**What ideas do you have for potential future use?**

### **Community Use / Library**

- Neighbor: Children use library
- Can be good for community use
- It looks like it can still be used for kids
- Library, CDD
- Cultural center
- library/ multi-use
- Should serve kids/community
- Piedmont library is dynamic + a whole center deserving of a space- serves children + seniors
- Site is an important part of neighborhood + needs to be used to serve the community
- Opportunity to create a real library
- Want a better library
- There aren't enough classrooms @ elementary
- The community needs to bring impact to the process
- This space belongs to the community
- We want this school to thrive
- Current library is cramped
- Once space is used for non-educational use, it won't come back
- Parking lot for teachers
- Library and CDC
- Multi purpose space for ES
  - ES has no kitchen
  - Annex kitchen/auditorium
  - AFter school program
- It's a perfectly good building, good for kids
- Library needs permanent location
- Should remain public benefit
- Early childhood is very important
- Is there potential transitional use now
- ES uses library but it's very small
- K enrollment down after CDC closure
  - closure and/or OUSD trend
  - potentially needed for K-12 use
- Should be used for education
- There should be community meeting space/center
- Want it to be a library
- Loss of library would be huge
- Makerspace
- Space that encourages motion
- Dogspace

- 9 people at same table support library use with extended hours + computer lab
- Can it be split for 2 uses one for library, the library can offer programs for school age children, tutors, reading partners
- The friends of piedmont library can crown fund to establish a library
- Can a property swap happen
- We currently have an inadequate library
- Anything is better than leaving it vacant- community use
- Friends of the library have reached out to jody london + D Kalb about library need
- We need a YMCA or community center here in area, yoga studio, seminar space to generate funds
- Community use
- Full service library with entrance and community programming
- Piedmont Ave. Library is a very dynamic community building and support organization, with many programs, classes, talks, etc. that promote community health and interaction; we can innovate in anyway
- A full service library with community meeting room space and possible after hour spaces so community can use aspects of library outside of regular library business hours
- Keeping space as a community asset is key; a library could partner with OUSD for support programs, tutoring, kids zone; we have a community of mixed ages and abilities- this should be a space accessible to all of these
- Library; use divided sections; seminar room like adult ed, marriage counselling session seminar, for neighborhood or community; charge \$5-10 for each session; community center
- Thank you very much for the opportunity to participate; I live across from site and hate to see it vacant/in limbo; my preference is for library to rent/use it jointly with school (PAES); I just don't want it decaying and empty
- Library first and foremost; community gardens; community rooms available at low cost rental - concerts, movies, book readings, a place to stop and have a cup of coffee, chat, social hours; makerspace; men/women sheds to craft and reduce loneliness; place to play games
- CDC and library - will benefit the school by getting more neighborhood families to stay and attend PAES
- Needs to remain a community serving property used as a multipurpose center because of large spaces and kitchens; our library is a prime example of what is needed for educational purposes
- Permanente home for library to serve children from Preschool, early childhood and preparation for reading; library serves more children than CDC
- School and Public Library cooperative program; time for city agencies to work together for mutual interests and benefits of all Oakland residents

### **Concerns**

- Traffic/parking if new construction
- In disrepair → should be used for something
- Investment necessary to reopen
- Where will the money come from?  
→ initial investment + maintenance

- Traffic concerns
- This property is part of a city wide system of issues
- If this property is declared surplus, it is likely that OUSD will end up selling it
- CDC closure was loss of pipeline for ES
- Concern building won't go to public use
- Don't want this sold to a developer
- Do not know how 7/11 committee works ,need more info
- Don't want a long term lease (40 years) to charter
- Would be upset if space went to charter
- Include some parking for whatever goes there
- Need a safe secure site; current site has safety issues for area residents due to lack of lighting
- Loss of available land for education; loss of library on school site will be substantial loss to students of PAES; they rely on it heavily as the funding has not been available to staff the school library
- Whatever happens the District needs to do a much better job of staying on top of weeds and litter, especially in Spring; looks terrible
- Do not sell; no charters to compete with Piedmont Ave School
- Surplus and non-governmental use; Recommend uses if goes to highest bidder process