

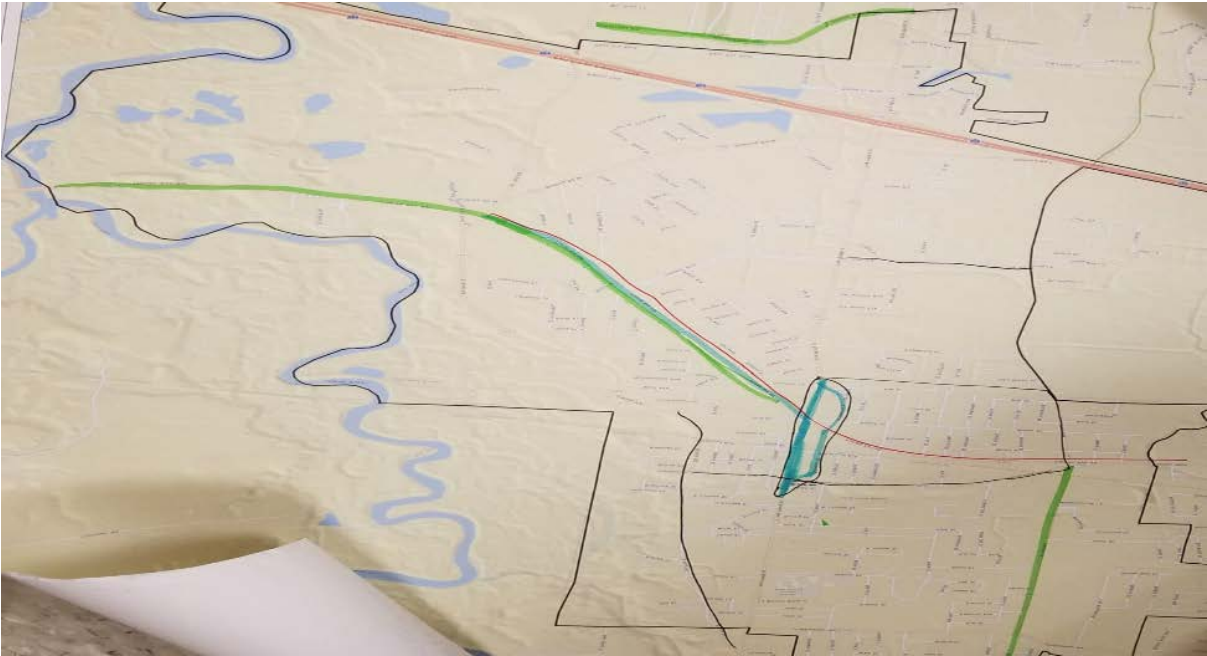
Community Planning

The Denham Strong Community Planning team is a City staff and community member group that is working to help the community recovery from the August flooding in a better, stronger and more resilient manner – through better community planning.

The following questions were asked at a community meeting on June 15, 2017. A compilation of the responses follows.

What would make Denham Springs more resilient?			
TRANSPORTATION	DISASTER MANAGEMENT	COMMUNITY	OTHER
Bus /Trolley	Disaster management plans	Less asking, more doing	Jobs for graduates
Sidewalks	Emergency Alert Systems	Playgrounds for adults	Speeding tickets
Restore highways and tear down abandon buildings		LDSS needs more black educators	Increase city limits
		City Wide community planning	A community program for less fortunate children
		Communication	Recycling places
		Nightlife/Bars	
		More public meetings	
		Keep neighbors engaged with each other and city representatives	
		Stronger ties between local community and local business	
		Civic Center	
		Keep it the same	

What areas of the city would you like to see improved?		
Other	Infrastructure	Housing
Bicycle lane	All roads	Eastover Estates
Recycle service	Sidewalk maintenance	Magnolia Estates
Antique District	Bridge repaired on River Rd.	Blighted Houses
Red light on Vincent	West Fla. Blvd.	Trailer parks
PARDS System	Range Ave.	Tear down Pizza hut
Clean up feels unsafe and dirty along Florida Blvd	Martin Luther King Dr.	
	Drainage roadways	
	Interstate onto Range piles up during lunch	
	Red light at Eden Church, Lockhart, Vincent at Eastover and on 4H by Bass Pro Shop	
	Traffic from Bass Pro area north to Florida	
	Juban during peak travel hours piles up	
	Extend Juban rd. to a four lane to flow traffic	



What does a recovered Denham Springs look like?
Antique District
Booming with support of local businesses
Clean
Community
Coveted
Economically progressive
Engaged
Friendly
Fun
Home
Independent
Prepared
Safe
Spring
Strong
The food and Cajun Army
Updated
Vibrant
Welcoming

What is your favorite things about Denham Springs?
Churches
Community
Family and Friends
History
Library
Location
People
River Road
Safe Feeling
School
Small Town Atmosphere
The parks
Town Homes

Community Planning			
SPORTS EVENTS/OUTDOORS	CULTURAL/ENTERTAINMENT	WATER ACTIVITIES	OTHER
Park entertainment	Theater, live theatre, nice restaurants	Clean up river, better access to river, green spaces	Options for kids
Camp ground + nature park on Amite	An area for weekly/monthly outdoor movie view - where family bring blanket, drinks, snacks and watch Jaws (ha-ha) as a community fun event! :)	Pier point, Panama City Beach has a wonderful shopping, restaurants, we need that here!	Options for kids & civic auditorium
Civic auditorium	Theatre public entertainment, we used to have this at the train station	River access, activities for adults	
Civic center auditorium	Civic center for city of Denham Springs	Access to river for park and fishing	
A place to bring mustang lacrosse from Baton Rouge to Denham	Community theatre	Access to Amite River (Park)	
Event center for concerts, cultural activities, exhibits, trade shows, etc.	Restore old carol theatre + have throwback films	River access	
Skating rinks, water parks, family entertainment, music - fun	Community center for productions, concerts		
Live music, festivals, outdoor movies, craft fairs	Civic auditorium, park entertainment		
Baseball park with restaurant or multiple soccer fields that tournaments can be held at NOT PARKS	Ampatheatre		
Football field, entertainment	Indoor (A/C) Rec area for older children & teens with board games, pool and ping pong tables, etc. - with adult supervision		
	Theater museums, bowling alley		
	Skating rink (nice, upscale), live music, kids birthday party places		
	Concerts w/ high school bands, create city band @ old school band member		
	Restore the old Carol Theatre + have throwback films		
	Concerts, in Antique Village		
	Museums		
	Bars/galleries/restaurants/music venues More cafés, coffee shops for business meetings		
	RV park on Amite :)		
	Large civic auditorium, Concerts, More creative outlets, arts, theatre, etc.		

What Activities Do You Attend Outside of Denham Springs?			
Music/entertainment	Food	Health	Other
Live music & productions (concerts, festivals, theatres, etc.) (x13)	Health food store, Organic food (2)	Prenatal care, parks w/ trees (shade), splash pad	Positive promotion of our own great
Antique stores	Restaurants (x12)	Doctor (x4)	Secondary education
Theatre (x8)	Bars/night life (x2)	Nothing, if I can help it -- medical care.	Cultural activities (x4)
Kids activities (x6)		Outdoor activities	Recreational centers
Shopping (x7)		Ride Bike	Sell & buy art
Movie House (x3)		Green space	Work
Community events			Canoe on Tickfaw, go to Tickfaw S.P. for nature trails, also dark skies (sic) for stargazing
Water sports			Everything,
Entertainment			Can't get tickets

Think about your favorite places that you have visited. What about those places would you like to see here in Denham Springs?			
Culture	Food	Outdoor	Other
Cultural centers (x3)	Steak N Shake x 2	Small neighborhood parks/green spaces	Oshrer Hospital (x2)
Perkins Rowe/mixed use development (x3)	Jason's Deli x 3	Football fields,	Sports complex, much like Sulphur
Concept of "villages"	Jimmy Johns x 3	Town square,	Shops/upscale shopping (x2)
Support for arts & local businesses	Seafood restaurant, BBQ - Sonny's	Park-car, stroll-window shop, relax in view, shop, stop for lunch, a boardwalk-type area	Kids activities
Fewer chain stores, more small business support (x2)	BRQ Restaurant	Sidewalks/walkability/nature trails (x5)	Recycling out of city limits
	Olive Garden x 4	pretty areas, clean, safe outdoor venues (x2)	Indoor playground (x2)
	La Madeline (x2)		Movies
	Whole foods	Dog friendly parks (x2)	Joseph Banks, Dillard's
	Hopper's Drive-In, love their malts	bowling	Laser tag, indoor soccer, trampoline
	Bistro byronz, Zeas,	Bike Trails	
	Cavrabba's (x2)	Wonderworks in Pigeon Forge	
	Zoe's Kitchen	Outdoor Venue, for concerts weekly or monthly	
	Newk's	River Walk (x2)	
	Trader Joe's (x2)	Nice skating rink	
	PJ's	LARGE water park	
	Ruby Tuesday's Nagoya		
	Parrains		
	Bars		
	Cracker Barrel x 2		
	KFC		
	Jack in the Box, close Arby's down		

