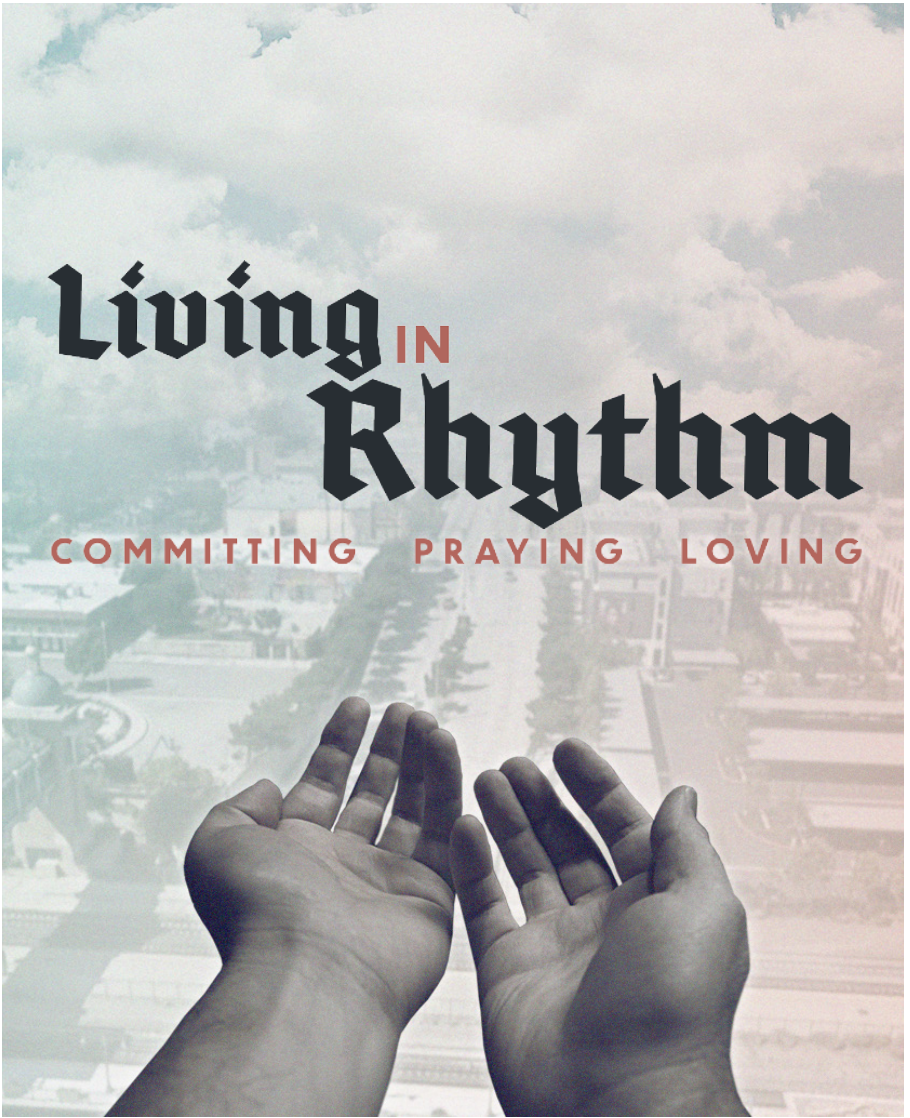


WEEK 1

Living IN Rhythm

COMMITTING PRAYING LOVING



IMMERSION EXPERIENCE GUIDE

WE ARE SO GLAD THAT YOU ARE JOINING IN!

Welcome to our Purpose Church local community immersion experience! No matter when you join in this experience, this booklet is designed to guide you through the experience. Our local missions team has selected 10 locations in the city of Pomona for you to choose from for your experience. During the three weeks of this series there will be the opportunity for you to engage in the experience at three different levels:

- **Week 1 - COMMITTING:** This involves going to your selected location for a time to be present and take note of what you see, hear and feel during your time.
- **Week 2 - PRAYING:** Going back to the same location for a one hour prayer experience using the Prayer Experience Guide.
- **Week 3 - LOVING:** Going back to the same location for a time of engagement with people and acts of service and compassion.

YOU CAN CUSTOMIZE YOUR EXPERIENCE:

- Follow the congregation schedule hosted by our local missions team
 - Week 1: August 21-27
 - Week 2: August 28- September 3
 - Week 3 September 4-10
- Make your own custom schedule for unguided experiences or begin your experience at week 2 or 3.
- This immersion experience can be done individually or with family or a group.

SERMONS FOR EACH WEEK:

There will be a sermon to prepare you for each week's experience. If you miss any of the sermons you can go to media.purposechurch.com/series/sermons/ and watch or listen to it any time.

We are praying for you as we engage in this experience together,
Pastors Glenn Gunderson & Eric Vasquez

Caution: God might grab ahold of your heart in a whole new way!

MASTER SCHEDULE FOR ALL EXPERIENCES

IMMERSION, PRAYER, AND SERVICE:

SUNDAY:

- Microsites 1pm-2:30pm
**For the prayer week folks will do the prayer experience in a quiet place using the guide provided, not at the microsite itself.*

TUESDAY:

- Celebrate Recovery- 6:30pm- 8:30pm
**For the prayer week folks will do the prayer experience in a quiet place using the guide provided, not at CR.*
- Just Us 4 Youth Girls home - 10am-11am & 6:30pm-7:30pm

WEDNESDAY:

- Washington Park- 8:30am-9:30am & 6:30pm- 7:30pm
- 99 cent store/Cardenas Walk- 9am-10am & 6:30pm- 7:30pm

THURSDAY:

- Holt walks- 8:30am-9:30am & 6:30pm- 7:30pm
- Foothill walk- 8:30am-9:30am & 6:30pm- 7:30pm

SATURDAY:

- Indoor Swap Meet 1pm-2pm
- Showers 3pm-4pm
**Purpose will provide a large room for folks to come and participate in the prayer experience.*
- Downtown Pomona 5:30pm-6:30pm

THIS TEXT LINE CAN BE USED FOR ANY
QUESTIONS OR DIRECTIONS NEEDED
909-736-3057



LOCATIONS & COMFORT RATINGS

DOWNTOWN POMONA WALK | COMFORT RATING: 3.5 ^

Starting Point- 158 W Third St, Pomona (Brink Films)

WASHINGTON PARK & GRAND WALK- 3.5 ^

Starting point- 865 E. Grand St, Pomona

PURPOSE SHOWERS - 3.5 *^

Starting point- 586 N. Garey Ave, Pomona (South Lot)

THE 99 CENT STORE/ CARDENAS WALK- 4

Starting point- 606 E. Holt Ave, Pomona

PURPOSE CHURCH MICROSITES **

ANGELA CHANSLOR- 2

Starting point- 2383 Chanslor St, Pomona (park on Olive St.)

DEL ROSA (SPANISH SPEAKING)- 2

Starting point- 622 Del Rosa Pl, Pomona (Park on Laurel Ave.)

NORTH SIDE POMONA- 2.5

Starting point- 525 E. Grove St, Pomona



RATINGS BASED ON COMFORTABILITY

1 - You will feel fairly comfortable

5 - You may feel fairly uncomfortable

* Senior friendly

^ Family friendly

INDOOR SWAPMEET- 3 ^

Starting point- 1600 E. Holt Ave, Pomona

JU4Y GIRLS HOME- 1 **

Starting point- 401 N. Gibbs St, Pomona

CELEBRATE RECOVERY- 1 **

Starting point- 586 N. Garey Ave, Pomona (South Lot)

HOLT WALKS

PURPOSE & WESTWARD- 4

Starting point- 586 N. Garey Ave, Pomona (South Lot)

GARFIELD PARK & EASTWARD- 4

Starting point- 801 E. Holt Ave, Pomona

LAS PALMAS & CENTRAL HOLT- 4

Starting point- Unity Church 524 E. Pasadena Ave, Pomona

FOOTHILL WALK, GAREY TO TOWNE 3.5

Starting point- 775 E Foothill Blvd, Pomona

SITE NARRATIVES

1. DOWNTOWN POMONA WALK

Pomona is famous for its downtown area. It's affectionately known as the arts colony. Many community activities take place here. We have famous coffee shops, eateries, and of course, art locations downtown. We have everything from Pomona's famous art walk (every 2nd Saturday) to the historic Fox Theater and popular music venue, The Glass House. Downtown is a melting pot of cultures and a great place to meet a diverse group of people from our community. This site can be family-friendly, but of course, like many areas of Pomona, it still has the potential to present some elements that may cause uncomfortable feelings. Remember, being uncomfortable is ok. Enjoy your time downtown!

2. WASHINGTON PARK & GRAND WALK

Washington Park is one of the largest parks in our city. It's located towards the southern part of the city and lies in between two main streets, Towne and San Antonio. It is frequented by our community and is a center for recreation for youth and families. In Washington Park, you will see minor league baseball, soccer leagues, open pool days, and more. While it remains a popular park, it also poses many challenges. The homeless population frequents the park and takes over community spaces. The park is in dire need of repair, especially play areas for children. It has a history of being a place where violence has occurred. At this site, you will not only get to walk the entire park, but you will also walk the surrounding community.

3. PURPOSE SHOWERS

We just partnered with Support Solutions, a non-profit organization that helps us to provide showers to the unsheltered in our community. We are excited about this partnership as it supports our community meals (every 1st Saturday) and clothing closet (every Tuesday) that happen here on Purpose's campus. At our last community meal, we provided 20 showers to the unsheltered, which is expected to increase as word travels throughout the community about shower services. At this site, care for the poor is our focus. We work with compassion as we are

exposed to the brokenness of our community. Not only will you see the shower ministry live in action, but you will also do a neighborhood walk in the community surrounding Purpose Church.

4. THE 99 CENT STORE/ CARDENAS WALK/SHOP

These locations are in the middle of Pomona's Holt corridor. Many community members do their shopping here for home essentials and groceries. While it is a blessing to have key stores so close together, it is difficult to deal with the poverty and crime issues that exist in the same space. At these locations, you will see the reality of the homelessness, drug, and prostitution issues in our community. After walking the stores, you will walk the surrounding neighborhood directly behind the stores.

5. PURPOSE CHURCH MICROSITES

Purpose Church hosts microsities weekly on Sundays at 1pm throughout the city of Pomona. We have an Acts 2 movement that seeks to evangelize and disciple the city. Instead of expecting members of the community to come to us, we go to them, eliminating barriers and bringing the Gospel to their doorstep. We train core team members to love on neighborhoods, earn the trust of the people, and launch Gospel movements in micro-communities. We have strategically identified 10 locations within the city to launch over the next few years. We have three sites running now! Read more about them below.

NORTH SIDE POMONA- 2.5

This is the longest-running microsite at Purpose Church. It's been meeting for 2.5 years at Pastor Eric Vasquez's home on the furthest north tip of the city. It gathers inside and outside of the home, meeting the needs of our community members that attend. This group has taken a younger form, serving mostly transitional-aged youth (18-25). It is the hub wherein we begin to disciple team members to grow in their faith, understand our model, and be trained in urban inner-city work so they can be sent for microsite planting. Every core member must commit to a full year of discipleship under the leadership of the pastoral staff. After that year, we strategically place or send team members into the city. Two additional sites (south & west) have been birthed from this Gospel movement.

ANGELA CHANSLOR (SOUTH)- 2

Affectionately known as “The Ghetto,” Angela Chanslor is a densely populated apartment community with multiple privately owned complexes. It’s on the furthest southern tip of the city and remains one of the poorest neighborhoods in the community. We have a presence here via our microsites; for the past 1.5 years, Michael & Ruby Broadhurst and team have been serving the community and bringing the Gospel every week. We meet in the local city park in the heart of the neighborhood. We meet outside and battle the elements but remain faithful in attendance. The church has taken a young form. We serve 25-30 neighborhood kids, all younger than 15 years of age (the church’s future). We have been faithful and are now gaining traction to build relationships with the parents. We are so excited about what God is doing there!

DEL ROSA (WEST) (SPANISH SPEAKING)- 2

This is our newest microsite, led by Louie & Teresa Canchola and team. It gathers in the courtyard of a densely populated apartment complex where multiple units are privately owned. This microsite is on the west side of the city and serves our Spanish community. This group has a family focus form and serve various families and their children. We gather the families weekly, break bread together, and then spend time in the word and in fellowship. We are in the building stages here, believing that God will continue to give us favor with the people.

6. INDOOR SWAPMEET

The indoor swapmeet is the Ontario Mills and Victoria Gardens of Pomona. It’s a one-stop shop for all your shopping needs. You can go to fix your watch, buy clothes, grab a delicious churro, or get your favorite hat embroidered. It’s a cultural melting pot where you will be guaranteed to meet a diverse group of people. It is the marketplace of Pomona! It’s located on the east side of the city and sits on the east holt corridor. Alongside it are Pomona Unified School District buildings and school locations. Behind it is PUSD’s alternative education site, Park West High School. To the west is PUSD’s site SEEO (School of Extended Education Opportunities). Also to the west is Village Academy, a film

academy of PUSD. Being on the east side of the Holt corridor poses its challenges. Youth and families are exposed to the brokenness of the city, particularly homelessness and prostitution.

7. JUST US 4 YOUTH GIRLS HOME

There is a girls' shelter located within a stone's throw of Purpose Church at First Presbyterian Church of Pomona, on Holt and Gibbs. The church opened its doors to Just Us 4 Youth (a youth-serving non-profit) during the pandemic to run and manage a shelter/program for transitional aged youth in the city who were struggling with homelessness. The home has been full ever since! Just Us 4 Youth has served 50+ in two years. Girls come into the shelter to deal with various challenges, including addiction, poverty, multiple disorders, extreme mental health challenges, sex trafficking, and more. This is a very personal site, and we must be sensitive as we enter into their private lives and space.

8. CELEBRATE RECOVERY

Purpose Church leads Celebrate Recovery every Tuesday on campus from 6:30pm-8:30pm. This recovery ministry is for EVERYONE because everyone struggles with a hurt, habit, or hang-up. The H building and the CR team provide a space for folks to be honest about their struggles and offer a beautiful community to heal in. Many of us who experience the CR ministry are refreshed and encouraged by the work that God is doing there. There is a large group experience and a small group experience with emphasis on the following: chemical dependency, codependency; stress, anxiety, depression; life issues, food issues; pornography addiction.

9. HOLT WALKS

We believe God has strategically placed our church here in the city of Pomona and on Holt Ave for a reason. We have a unique purpose here in the community, to love and serve the city. We are right in the middle of the Holt corridor and have a unique opportunity to bless the city from our location. We've been blessed with our campus and are ready to open our doors to our community more fully.

PURPOSE & WESTWARD

We will meet here at Purpose and then walk Holt Ave heading west, cruising by a couple of locations along the way. Holt is an active street, so be prepared to be exposed to the elements of a main street and its challenges.

GARFIELD PARK & EASTWARD

We will all meet at Garfield and then walk Holt Ave heading east towards Indian Hill Blvd. We will make sure to cruise by a couple of locations along the way. Holt is an active street, so be prepared to be exposed to the elements of a main street and its challenges.

LAS PALMAS & CENTRAL HOLT

We will meet at Unity Church Pomona and then walk to Holt to walk the avenue and cruise by other locations along the way. Holt is an active street, so be prepared to be exposed to the elements of a main street and its challenges.

10. FOOTHILL WALK, GAREY TO TOWNE

The north side of the city butts up against Claremont & La Verne. Here you can notice a drastic difference in the condition of the city just by looking across the street. We will meet in the parking lot of the CVS on the northside of Pomona. We will then walk Foothill Blvd, cruising by other locations along the way. Foothill is an active street, so be prepared to be exposed to the elements and its challenges.

WEEK 1 IMMERSION INSTRUCTIONS

STEP 1 BOOK YOUR IMMERSION

You can do so via our website @ purposechurch.com/living
You can also schedule a self guided immersion. If you go this route please notify our local missions office so that we can be praying for you. Email us your plans to local@purposechurch.com

STEP 2 REVIEW THE IMMERSION GUIDE

The guide will be provided during our Sunday worship experience. It will also live on our website for your convenience.

STEP 3 ATTEND THE IMMERSION EXPERIENCE

Prepare to simply observe and posture yourself to listen as you “examine the walls of the city.”

STEP 4 COMPLETE THE REFLECTION SECTION OF YOUR GUIDE

Spend time answering the reflection questions on the immersion guide. Think deeply about your responses and be honest with yourself.

STEP 5 REFLECT UPON YOUR IMMERSION

Continue to think about your time in the city. Look back on your responses and actively ask God how he would have you pray about these things.

WEEK 1 IMMERSION GUIDE

The idea of participating in your first immersion experience may be intimidating or overwhelming for you. You are not alone! We have heard from many others who have felt the same way. We've also heard from those very same people that it was a high point in their faith journey and it impacted them greatly. So here are a few frequently asked questions and answers to help you get the most out of your experience.

WHAT ARE WE GOING TO DO FOR THE NEXT 30 MINS- 1 HOUR?

Like Nehemiah, you will be “inspecting the city walls” of Pomona by exposing yourself to locations in which things seem “broken down.” The purpose of this immersion experience is to open your eyes to the suffering and challenges of Pomona. Secondly, we hope you are drawn towards lamenting over the condition of the city. We pray that this time of immersion leads you into prayer and relationships with those in our community.

For 30 mins- 1 hour, you will be walking the city and/or observing activity happening in the city. This is strictly an immersion experience, therefore we DO NOT want you to serve during this time. We want you to be still and soak it all in. You will be provided this guide to assist you throughout your experience.

I'VE NEVER DONE ANYTHING LIKE THIS BEFORE.

Purpose is committed to make this as easy and comfortable as possible so that nothing gets in the way of you taking a step towards the community. Please do not hesitate to reach out to our local missions department if you have any questions. We are here to help.

WHEN AND WHERE WILL THE EXPERIENCES TAKE PLACE?

We plan to host scheduled group experiences led by our Local Missions staff that you can register for. These will happen throughout the week and weekend and will be posted on our website for accessibility. In addition to this there will also be self guided options. You can use the tools that we provide you to enhance your group or self guided experience.

We ask that you choose one location to commit to over the course of this sermon series (3 weeks). In this immersion guide you will find starting points (addresses) and step by step directions for your experience, this includes a small map of the locations, walking routes, and other important information.

WHAT ABOUT MY KIDS?

Children are welcome to attend these immersions with you. Our recommendation is that you take your children to sites with a 1-3.5 rating, these are more family friendly. It is completely up to you to determine if you feel comfortable bringing them to other sites with higher ratings. You may also choose to arrange for personal child care during the time. There will not be child care available through Purpose Church during these times.

WHAT DO I NEED TO BRING WITH ME?

Please plan to bring the following items: Your immersion guide, a pen, drinking water, comfortable and conservative clothing, and comfortable walking shoes.

SHOULD PRAYER BE A PART OF MY IMMERSION EXPERIENCE?

Yes! In week 2 of the series you will spend significant time in prayer over these sites, but for now spend some time praying and asking God to prepare your heart for the experience. Ask God to break your heart for what breaks His. Pray for the people of the community and for Purpose church as we spend the next 3 weeks leaning into these rhythms.

WHAT SHOULD I EXPECT?

You can expect to walk a short distance at most of our immersion sites. You can expect to not speak as much. Rather expect to posture yourself to observe and listen to what the Holy Spirit is speaking. You can expect to witness inner city challenges and hear stories from the most vulnerable. You can expect to be stirred and encouraged to prayer and action.

WEEK 1 REFLECTION QUESTIONS:

1. What stood out most to you during this experience?
2. What holds you back from exposing yourself to community brokenness like you did today?
3. What fears do you have associated with entering into personal relationships with folks that you observed or met today?
4. Prior to this experience did you have a genuine care/concern towards those in our city?
5. How do you sense God speaking to you at this moment?
6. In what ways has this immersion experience challenged you to be about God's mission in the city?
7. Where do you see God at work in this area? Where do you see the hope of the Gospel?

IMMERSION ROUTE DETAILS

1. DOWNTOWN POMONA WALK (METRO FOCUS) - 3.5

Starting point- 158 W Third St, Pomona (Brink Films)

Head towards Garey Ave. from Brink Films, Turn Right (heading south)

Right on Fourth St.

Right on Main St.

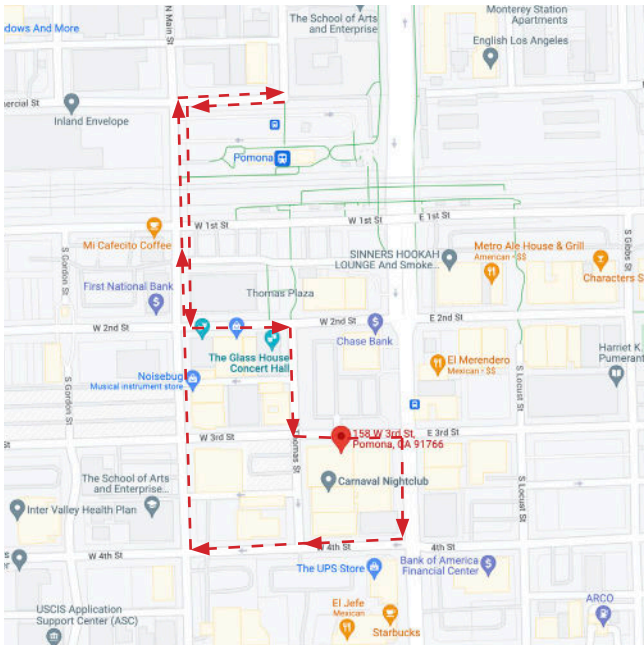
Right on W. Commercial (walk until it dead ends then turn around)

Left on Main St.

Left on 2nd St.

Right on Thomas Ave.

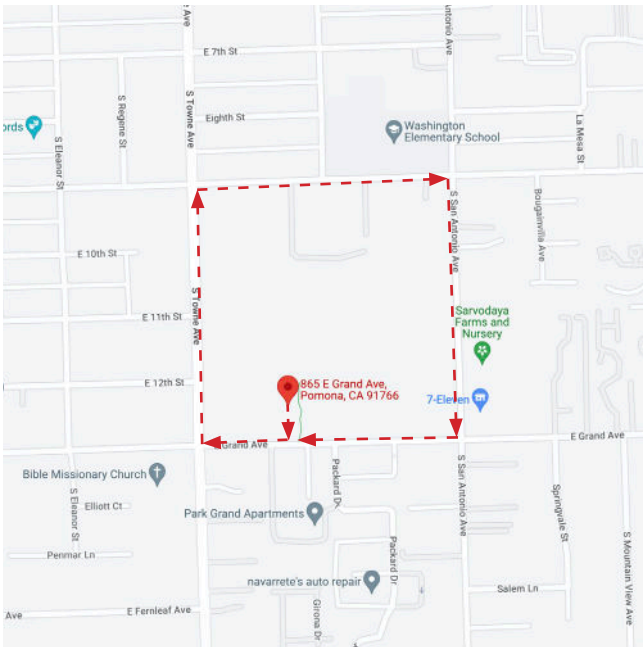
Left on Third St. (Return back to Brink Films)



EXPOSURE ROUTE DETAILS

2. WASHINGTON PARK & GRAND WALK - 3.5

Starting point- 865 E. Grand Ave, Pomona
Head West on Grand Ave. towards San Antonio Ave.
Left on San Antonio Ave.
Left on Ninth St.
Left on Towne Ave.
Left on Grand Ave. (Return to Washington Park)

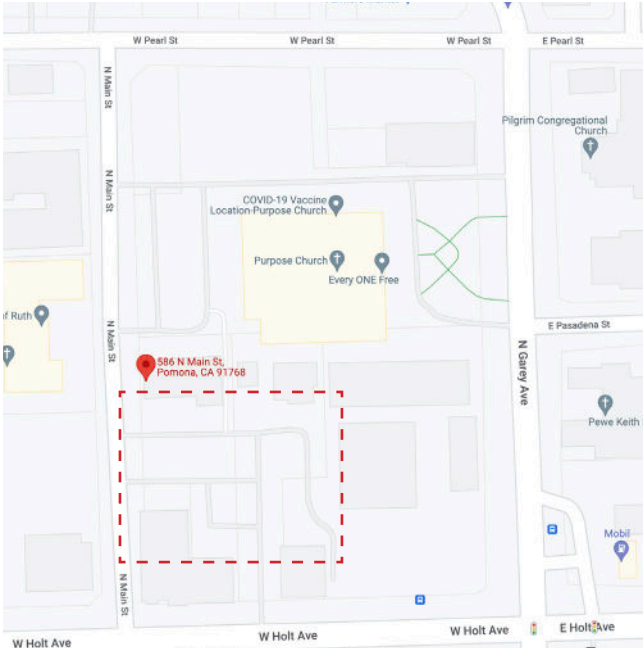


IMMERSION ROUTE DETAILS

3. PURPOSE SHOWERS - 3.5

Starting point- 586 N. Main St, Pomona (South lot)

Remain at the site location for the duration of the immersion experience.



IMMERSION ROUTE DETAILS

4. THE 99 CENT STORE/ CARDENAS WALK - 4

Starting point- 606 E. Holt Ave, Pomona

Start at the 99 cent store (walk into it and through it, buy a water there if you can)

Then go to Cardenas (walk into it and through it, buy a pack of gum there if you can)

Walk East towards San Antonio Ave.

Right on San Antonio Ave.

Left on Monterey Ave.

Left on Mountain View Ave.

Left on Holt Ave.

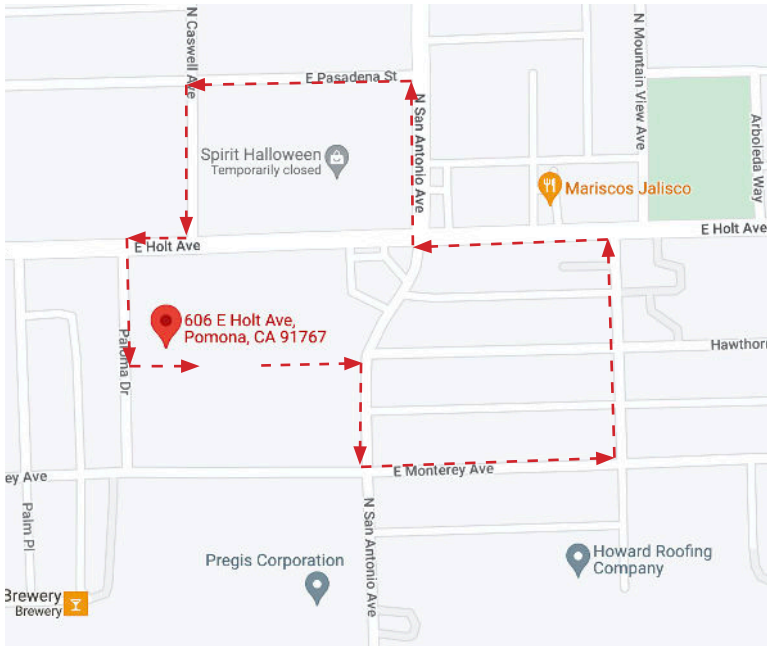
Right on San Antonio Ave.

Left on Pasadena St.

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Right on Holt Ave.

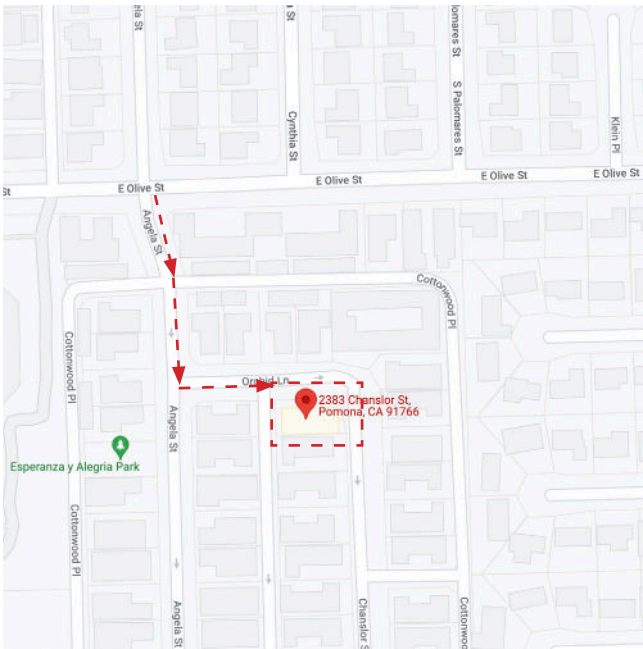
Left on Paloma Dr. (return to starting point)



IMMERSION ROUTE DETAILS

5A. PURPOSE CHURCH MICROSITES ANGELA CHANSLOR - 2

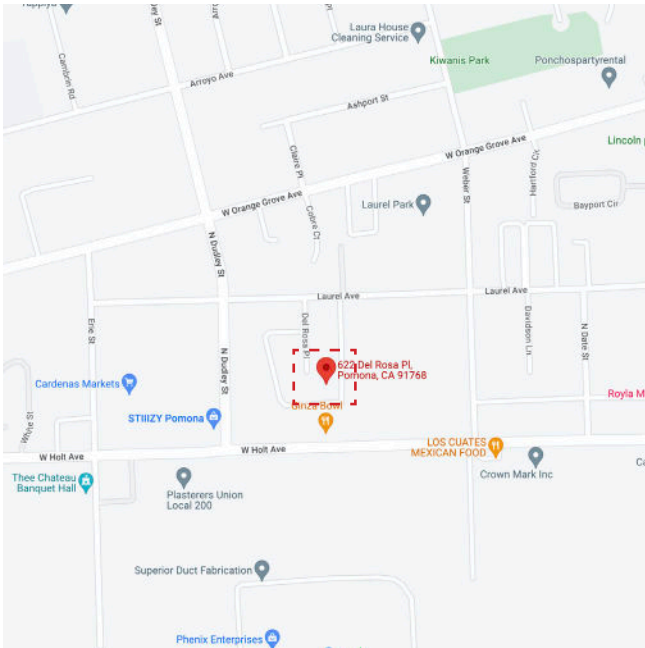
Starting point- 2383 Chanslor St, Pomona (park on Olive st.)
Remain at the site location for the duration of the immersion experience.



IMMERSION ROUTE DETAILS

5B. PURPOSE CHURCH MICROSITES DEL ROSA (SPANISH SPEAKING) - 2

Starting point- 622 Del Rosa Pl, Pomona (Park on Laurel ave.)
Remain at the site location for the duration of the immersion experience.

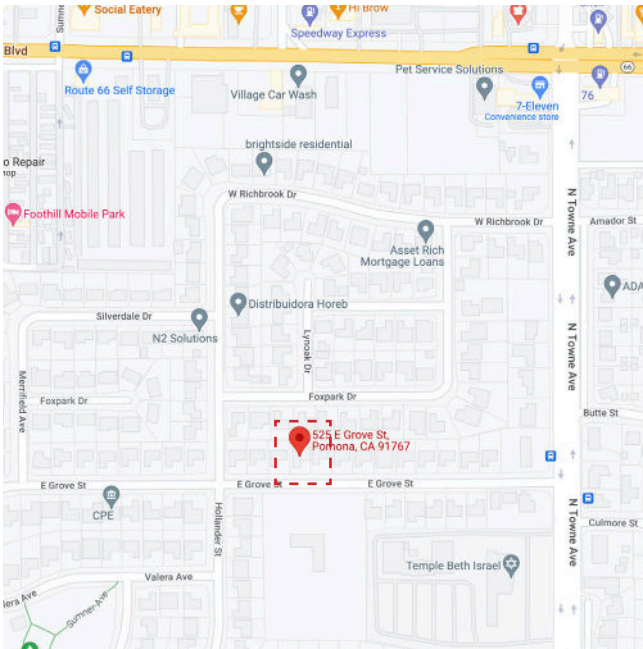


IMMERSION ROUTE DETAILS

5C. PURPOSE CHURCH MICROSITES NORTH SIDE POMONA - 2.5

Starting point- 525 E. Grove St, Pomona

Remain at the site location for the duration of the immersion experience.



6. INDOOR SWAPMEET - 3

Starting point- 1600 E. Holt Ave, Pomona

Enter the Swapmeet and walk throughout the entire mall

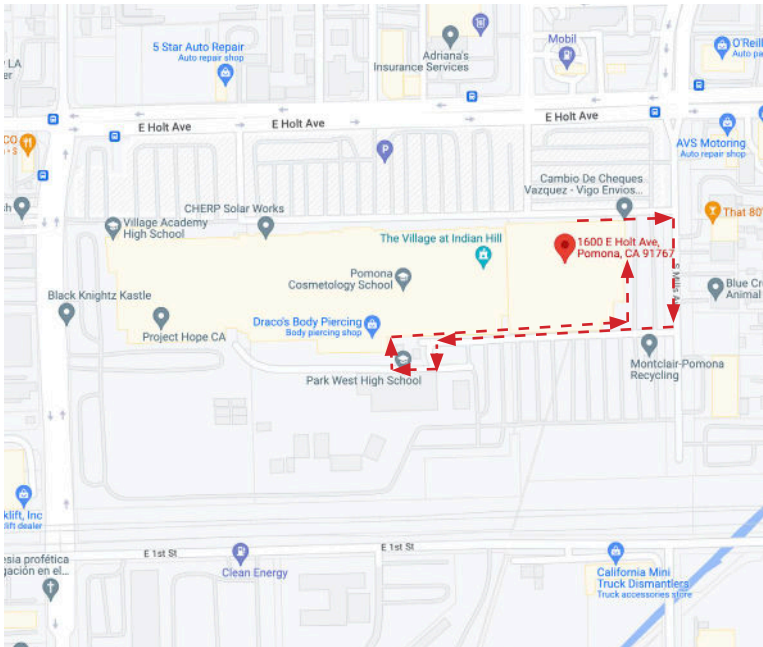
When exiting head East towards Mills Ave

Turn Right on Mills

Turn Right at the recycling center (going behind the swapmeet)

Walk until it dead ends (veer to the left and there at the furthest south part of the area you will see Park West High School)

Once you walk around the school then head back to your original location

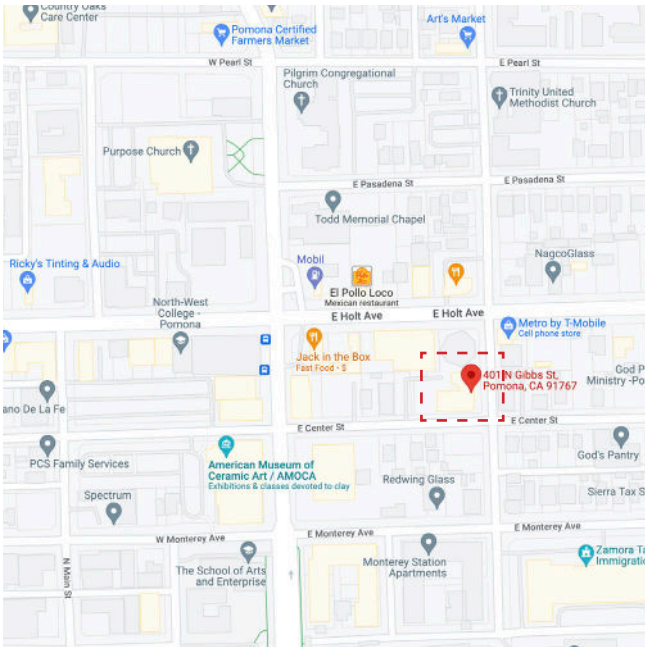


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7. JUST US 4 YOUTH GIRLS HOME - 1

Starting point- 401 N. Gibbs St, Pomona

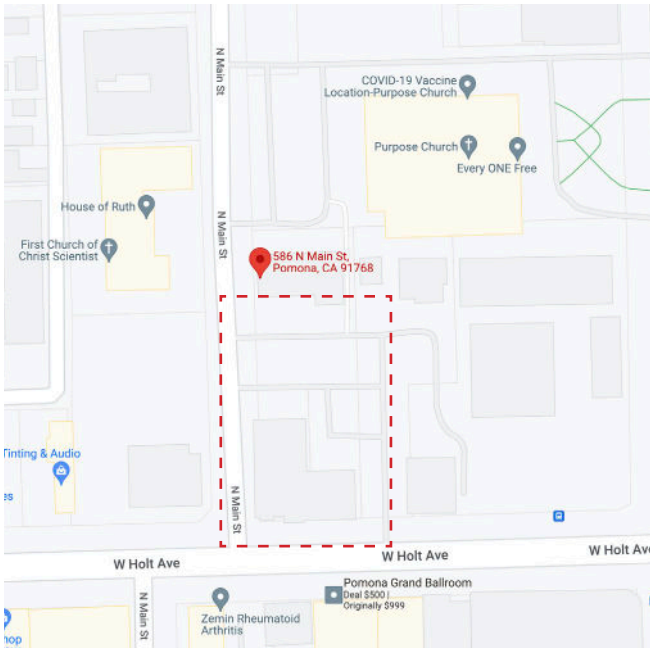
Remain at the site location for the duration of the immersion experience.



8. CELEBRATE RECOVERY - 1

Starting point- 586 N. Main St, Pomona (South lot)

Remain at the site location for the duration of the immersion experience.



IMMERSION ROUTE DETAILS

9A. HOLT WALKS PURPOSE & WESTWARD - 4

Starting point- 586 N. Garey Ave, Pomona (South lot)

Out of Purpose's south lot turn Left on Main St.

Right on Holt Ave. (heading west)

Left on Hamilton Ave (to cross the street)

Left on Holt Ave. (heading east)

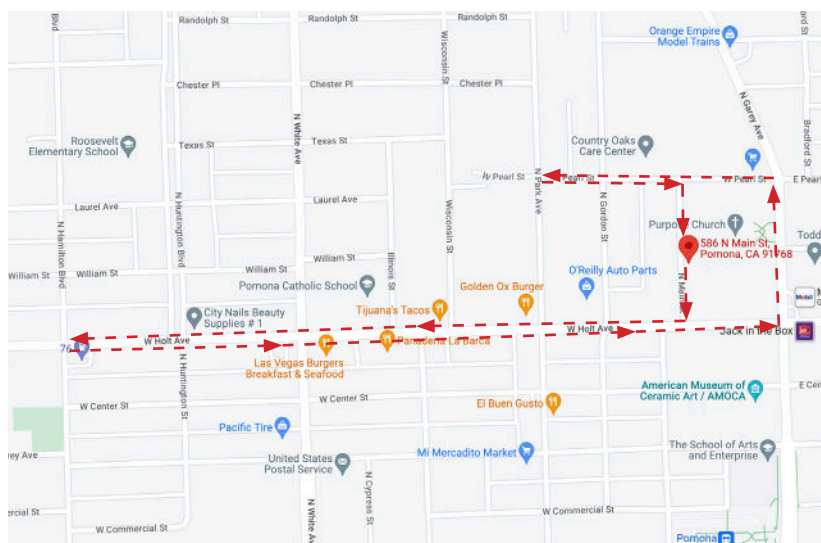
Left on Garey Ave.

Left on Pearl Ave. (heading west)

Left on Park Ave (to cross the street)

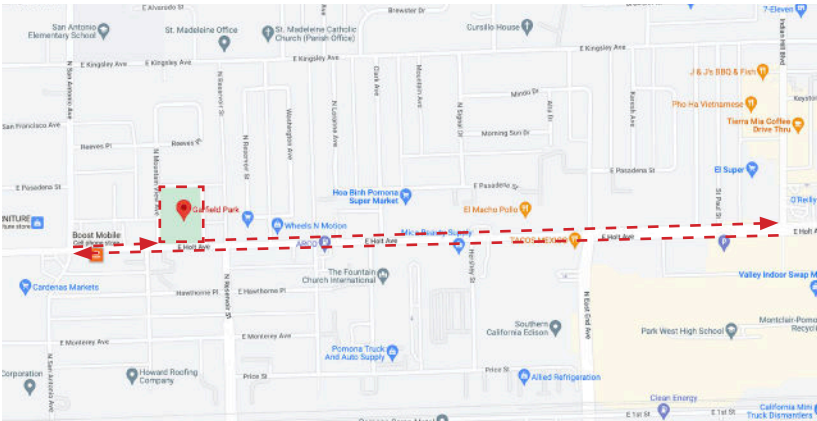
Right on Pearl Ave (heading east)

Right on Main St. (end at the church)



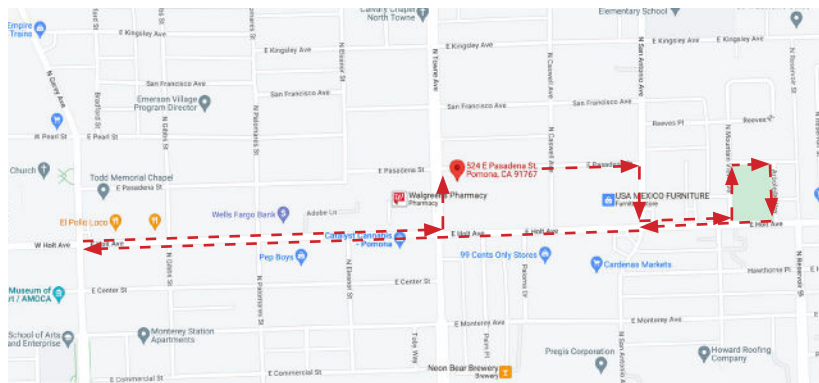
9B. HOLT WALKS GARFIELD PARK & EASTWARD - 4

- Starting point- 801 E. Holt Ave, Pomona
- Walk the park thoroughly
- Head East on Holt Ave
- Right on Indian Hill Ave. (cross the street)
- Right on Holt Ave. (heading west now)
- Right on San Antonio Ave.
- Right on Holt Ave. (heading east again, end at park)



9C. HOLT WALKS LAS PALMAS & CENTRAL HOLT - 4

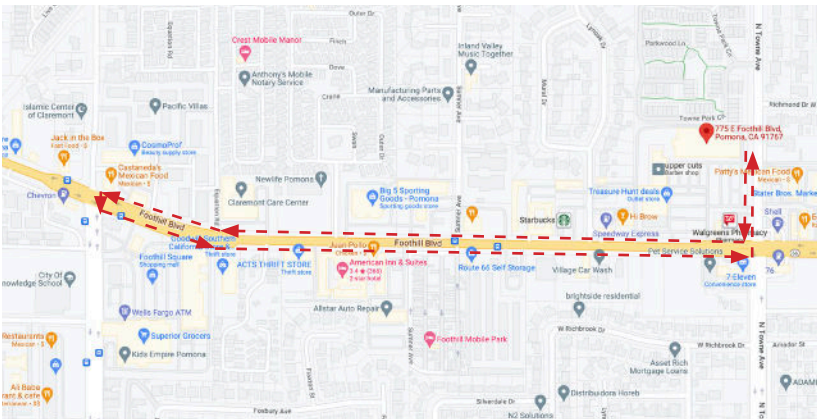
Starting point- Unity Church 524 E. Pasadena Ave, Pomona
Right out of the church parking lot heading East on Pasadena St.
Right on San Antonio Ave.
Left on Holt Ave.
Left on Mountain View Ave.
Right on Pasadena Ave.
Right on Arboleda Way
Right on Holt Ave (heading west now)
Left on San Antonio Ave. (to cross the street)
Right on Holt Ave.
Right on Garey Ave. (to cross the street)
Right on Holt Ave
Left on Towne Ave.
Right on Pasadena Ave. (return to Unity)



IMMERSION ROUTE DETAILS

10. FOOTHILL WALK GAREY TO TOWNE - 3.5

Starting point- 775 E Foothill Blvd, Pomona
Head West on Foothill out of the CVS parking lot
Turn Left on Garey Ave (to cross the street)
Turn Left on Foothill Blvd. (heading east)
Turn Left on Towne Ave (to cross the street)
End back at CVS parking lot



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