Placemaking & Community Branding That Leverages Your Natural Assets
The Quality of Place Movement
Employment Growth in the Knowledge Sector

2x IN NUMBER & IN RATE OF GROWTH — vs. manual workers —
The Quality of Place Virtuous Circle

- Talented workers seek quality places
- Communities strive to increase their quality of place
- Employers seek talented workers
- Quality places attract residents, jobs, investment + visitors
Natural Capital Drives Wellbeing

- Induces positive thought patterns
- Provides psychological relaxation
- Improves mental clarity
- Provides stress alleviation
- Interaction with nature can increase self-esteem and mood
- Promotes mental and physical health
- Shifts “me” orientation to “we” orientation
- Stimulates social cohesion
- Expands creative capacity
- Promotes connection & empathy
- Nature Prescriptions are being written by doctors in 33 states and Washington D.C.

Where Is Your Nature Hiding?
Bike Paths
Experiences
Productive Lands
Brownfields and Greenfields
State Parks
Venues

Sky Stage

[Image description: Various outdoor venues and stages are shown in the image, including an outdoor concert setting, a soccer field with players in action, a larger open area with benches and lighting, and a unique stage structure with the words 'Sky Stage'.]
Place Brands That Leverage Natural Assets
Placemaking: Chattanooga, TN

- Historically an industrial-based economy: smokestacks through 1970s
- Image problem, growth stalling
- Started with goal of being a great place to live
- 1980s: Vision 2000 initiative (aquarium, riverfront parks)
- Formed “The River City Company” non-profit organization to raise funds
Chattanooga, TN: Results

- 14% increase in population since 1990s
- Attracted Volkswagen Assembly Plant 2,000 employees
Chattanooga, Tennessee is one of the top destinations in the South. Named "Best Town Ever" twice!
The Santee Story
### Santee | Strategic DNA Statement

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CELEBRATING 40 YEARS
Santee
CALIFORNIA

CELEBRATING SANTEE'S CONTINUED COMMITMENT TO THE COMMUNITY
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LIMITED EDITION COLLECTOR'S PINS

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WEAR YOUR SANTEE PRIDE, SHARE AND TAG US IN YOUR PHOTOS

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The Placer County Story
Placer County | **Strategic DNA Statement**

**Target Audience:** For those who want to breathe easy amidst breathtaking beauty,

**Frame of Reference:** Placer County, from the Sacramento Valley to the Sierra Nevada along I-80,

**Point-of-Difference:** is where California reaches up to Lake Tahoe and outdoor adventure reaches every interest in every season

**Benefit:** so your senses and connections are heightened.
QUARRY PARK ADVENTURES
Rocklin, CA

START YOUR PEAK ADVENTURE RIGHT HERE IN ROCKLIN

EXIT 108 Rocklin Road
The Bakersfield & Kern County Story
THE BAKERSFIELD SOUND

Buck Owens, Merle Haggard, and California Country
Sounds Great,
So How Do You Pay for All of This?
Federal Grants

- United States Department of Agriculture: Forest Service Landscape Scale Restoration
  Grants available from $25,000 - $600,000

- The National Park Service: Land and Water Conservation Fund State and Local Assistance Program
  Grants available up to $300,000

- Groundwork USA: Groundwork Trust
  Grants available up to $190,000

- Environmental Protection Agency: Brownfields Cleanup Grant
  Grants available up to $500,000
Federal Grants

- Land and Water Conservation Fund
  Grants available to most states, ranging from $85,000–250,000

- Outdoor Recreation Legacy Partnership Program (ORLP)
  Grants available to most states, ranging from $300,000–$1,000,000

- The National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration: Saltonstall–Kennedy Grant Program
  Grants available up to $300,000
State Grants

- **California Natural Resources Agency**
  - Cultural Community & Natural Resources - $37.0M available for projects
  - Urban Stormwater & Waterways Improvement - $92.5M available for projects
  - Environmental Enhancement & Mitigation - estimated $13.4M available for projects
  - Recreational Trails and Greenways Grant Program - $27.7M available for projects
  - Urban Greening - $28.5 million available for projects

- **California Environmental Protection Agency (CalEPA)**
  - Cal-EPA Environmental Justice Small Grants - $1.5 million available for projects

- **California Department of Forestry and Fire Protection (CAL FIRE)**
  - Urban and Community Forestry Program - $10 million available for projects

- **California Department of Transportation (CALTRANS)**
  - Active Transportation Program (ATP) - $440 million available for projects
Quality of Place. Quality of Brand. Which Comes First?
YES
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