WALK AUDIT AND PROJECT IDEAS

- Recycling on campus
- Trees at George Street
- Security at Isis
- Building more sidewalks
- Where to buy recycling bins
- Recycle bins for plastic/paper
- Plant trees
- Police/security volunteers
- City council to be fixed
- Fix presses
- Obsessed girls
- Drama

MIDDLE → HIGH SCHOOL

RESEARCH TOPICS
- How many recycling bins do we need?
- Where will we put the bins?
- How will we buy the bins?
- Price?
- Can we get donations?
- What’s the recycling process?
- Where are the Recycling Plants at?
- How will we get community help?
- How big do the bins need to be?
- How should the bins look?
Jolyn
Middle School

Jolyn prefers math to language arts and plans to become a doctor or nurse. She enjoys playing volleyball at the park, and she does a 2-mile run each week. She also likes to draw and read. She describes herself as a problem-solver: “Um, what I’m really good at is like to solve problems. Like, if, like my friends are in trouble, and one of them are like arguing, I would try to find the main problem and what caused it and what made them argue.”

When asked what surprised her about the Youth Block Report experience, she said the following:

**Jolyn:** I’ve always thought that our community was a good place, but when we went on the walk audit, I actually saw how bad our community was. The littering, the dumping, the sidewalks, and bus stops.

**Interviewer:** What do you think was good about it before?

**Jolyn:** I thought they had everything fine. There’s no problem there, you don’t have to worry about it. I always thought the bus stops had shade, but when we went on the walk audit, they didn’t have shade. I do think it will change by improving the bad stuff about the community… I notice things more, and I will continue to.

When describing the neighborhood where she lives, she described both strengths and challenges, saying, “I would describe it that it’s a nice place. It’s safe. But then watch out because there’s gangs going around…. ‘Cause in my neighborhood, there was this gang related shooting. So, I know that there must be gangs going around.” She also said she would like to participate in some of the activities in her community, like a community garage sale or a picnic in the park, but her family generally does not go. If given a magic wand to use in her neighborhood, Jolyn said, “I would add, um, a place, a safe place for children, adults, and teens with nice seats and tables.” Jolyn is 13 years old, and when asked how she would describe her race or ethnicity, she said, “I would describe that I’m Asian and tell them straightforward that I’m Hmong.”

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