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Swimming Under the Stars

July 26, 2017
Northview Pool

This engagement was hosted by Deb Griffith, Jen Mein, Luke VanHorn, Rachel Kutcher, Stephanie Radtke, Tessa Laswell, Anna Terry who connected with about 150 youth. The Discover Together SSP team partnered with WSB who asked questions related to the South St. Paul Comprehensive Plan.

QUESTIONS ASKED

- Where are your favorite places to hang out with friends? (Where would you hang out if it was here?)
- What is important to you when it comes to your town?
- What concerns or worries you as a young person?
- When you grow up, do you want to live in South St. Paul?

TAKEAWAYS

- Concerns about safety, bullying, drugs, smoking among youth and in and outside of school
- Many youth said they would live in SSP when they grow up
- Aside from the pool, most kids said they like to hang out with friends at home or friends' home, parks, or school
- Friends, feeling safe, school, being nice to each other, and sense of belonging to a community were most often mentioned as the most important things to the youth
- Crime and homelessness also a concern for many of the youth