

What people are saying about the...
**SOUTH CAMPUS
NEIGHBORHOOD
PROJECT**

“Building collaborative partnerships through Town & Gown initiatives has been a continuing goal for the City of Chico and Chico State University. The South Campus Neighborhood Project is a preeminent example of a successful and mutually beneficial project that deserves applause and recognition for its community benefit!”

– **Chico City Manager Mark Orme**

“The opportunity to put my skills learned in the classroom to use on a real world project right here in my own community has been an incredible experience that will help define my time in Chico.”

– **Geography 411 Student Participant**

“It gave us a sense of ownership; you knew that you were benefiting future generations of students, there aren’t a lot of school projects like that with real-world impacts.”

– **Engineering 302 Student Participant**

“The South Campus Neighborhood Project presents a unique opportunity for students and faculty to engage in community projects that bridge the educational experience and their every-day surroundings in powerful ways. It offers a great platform for faculty to enrich their classroom practice with real-world experience and to collaborate with others from different disciplines across the university.”

– **Dr. Colleen Hatfield, Faculty Participant,
Biology Department, CSU, Chico**

“This project, and more importantly the collaborative relationship with the RCI, has enabled the City to address a community safety concern through a holistic neighborhood improvement project that we would not otherwise have had the resources or funding to accomplish. The unique aspect of this project is that our constituents who brought the concerns to light in a student neighborhood get to be part of the analysis of issues, as well as the solutions being proposed... It is our goal at the City of Chico, to then leverage this effort in order to obtain grant funding to complete the construction improvements that lead to real-life safety improvements for our community.”

– **Brendan Ottoboni, Director, Public Works-Engineering, City of Chico**