



**THE HOPE
OF EAGLE ROCK**

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In May 2010, fifty Community Listeners spent an afternoon in Eagle Rock, California asking their neighbors about their hopes, their hearts, and their lives.

We talked to more than 200 people from every walk of life. Small children. Grandparents. A few friends. More strangers. Folks just passing by. Lifelong residents.

This was a chance to for a community to come together to listen, learn, change, and grow. Each and every conversation was important, and they all started with one simple question: "What do you hope for?"

In June 2011, we got a chance to share those hopes in the middle of the Eagle Rock community with our very first Hope Tree.

Hundreds of paper leaves hung from the tree, and each was a window into the hopeful heart of an Eagle Rock neighbor.

Then, we invited everyone from the community to hang their own hopes on the tree and join in on the conversation.

Now this entire collection of hopes is yours.

We invite you to reflect, absorb, and learn from what your neighbors are saying. Just think: what you're holding is an incredible, collective picture of your neighborhood's hopes.

Let these words transform you.

The Hopes of Eagle Rock: From our June 2011 Hope Tree

Anonymous

I hope that my mom is up and walking soon and better than she ever expected.

Doug, 55

We hope that God blesses our business.

Rachel, 47

My hope... a grandbaby.

Kenna, 7

I hope for the world to become a better place and to save the sea.

Isaac, 8

I hope my dad does good on his work!

Anonymous

I hope to have an amazing event for Great Love on the 6th of July.

Anonymous

I hope we move back to Rhode Island.

Michael, 11

I hope for world peace between the US and Iraq.

Roanne, 18

I hope that people learn to appreciate what they have and not take anything for granted. I hope for a life filled with love and acceptance.

Michele

I hope people would choose not to be a gangster and be a respectable person!

Corinna,

I hope for healing in the city.

Lance, 12

I hope that I will get world peace some day.

Cyra, 6

I hope for a good day.

Anonymous

I hope for my Daddy and Nene to get better. I love them!

Jada

I hope for a lot of money.

Anonymous

I hope that nothing bad happens to Ginger.

Beth

I hope for peace and joy for my friends, family, and myself.

Stephanie, 9

I hope for peace.

Sofia

I hope I have a surprise party for my party! And I hope I get a teacup Maltese.

Tanya, 48

I hope for all children to feel safe and have a loving home.

Isabella, 8

I hope for a better community.

Lisa

I hope my family stays happy and healthy and our hearts full of love. Let's spread it!

Kate, 9

I hope for my mom to get married again.

Anonymous

I hope to get lots of work soon!!!

Adam

I hope I don't have diabetes.

Anonymous

I hope I can work things out with my dad.

JB, 18

I hope we can banish gay hate, and I hope for equality for everyone.

Anonymous

I hope for people to come together and care for each other.

Paula, 19

I hope people in the Philippines will have better lives.

Kasie, 11

I hope for a better house.

Cameron, 6

I hope my dad's friend who's in the war doesn't get hurt.

Chris, 13

I hope for heaven.

Elijah

I hope for a great play.

Brianna, 8

I hope for peace.

Elise, 8

I hope for equality and rights for everyone.

Anonymous

Mama and papa hope Odin stops pulling their hair!

Zoe

I hope that more people get to know God.

The Hopes of Eagle Rock: From a May 2010 Hope Walk

Angeline

I hope that my grandma gets better from her illness.

Jesús

I hope things with my family will get patched up.

Jonathan

I hope for hope.

Cesar

I hope for the governor to be aware of the district's needs. I hope my kids keep studying. I hope I can continue to be good. I hope to be a joy.

D'Angelo

I hope for people to acknowledge each other as human beings and respect one another's dignity.

Leo

I hope for everyone to know Jesus

Joanna

I hope for a job after being unemployed for one year, specifically a job in electronics. I hope for the safety of my family.

David

I hope for the homeless to have a place to stay.

Maryanne & Mike

We hope for a less stressful year. We hope for peace. We hope that the economy gets better. We hope for our health. We hope for a family.

Vanessa

I hope for peace.

Carlos

I hope we can save Olvera St.

Eric

I hope for the economy and that I finish school.

Amanda

I hope I can get into school.

Ron

I hope for a good life.

Val & Nancy

I hope for good health and happiness.

Paul, a father of 3

I hope for good health.

Kion & Pasha

We hope for better grades so we can get our MBAs.

Etren

I hope for a better community in Eagle Rock. I hope for peace in this nation. I hope we can abolish racism.

Marcia

I hope for a family.

Cristobal

I hope for a family, a job, and to live for God. Hope is in God.

Dolly & Frank

I hope for the salvation of my family members: Andy, Andrea, Johanna, and Gabriel.

Mike

I hope for communication between all of us and a better understanding of one another.

Anonymous

I hope for the safety of my family, who is illegal here in the United States.

Yolanda & Sonya

I hope for the salvation of Los Angeles and for Sonya, my granddaughter.

Ada

I hope to begin studying English, and I hope someday for children.

Pedro

I hope the economy gets better.

Harry

I hope for financial security

Jessica

I hope for a safe childbirth.

Lynn

I hope for a new job and the success of my son's marriage.

Mike

I hope for happiness.

Virginia & Ipeo

I hope for my family to be healthy.

Adeline

I hope for kindness and peace.

Kyle

I hope for me to get a job.

Elane & Alex

We hope we get a "Yes!" on our house.

Scott & Eugene

We hope our kids are able to go to college.

Marissa

I hope for a closer, more intimate relationship with God and for a successful relationship, marriage, and family.

Michael

I hope for a good life.

Taylor

I hope to get a job as a commercial/film composer. I hope for a good life and not to lack anything.

Jeff

I hope to help people to wake up and realize that they aren't really free, so that they can become free.

Che

I hope for money.

Katie

I hope to graduate from college.

Abbey

I hope for the UPS man to bring my package.

Jennifer

I hope for peace and for people not to hurt Third World countries for their own benefit.

Laura

I hope for peace, hope, and love.

Mario

I hope for no big problems.

Andrea & Anna

I hope to finish school and to go to college.

Jadean

I hope to live another day.

Charles, Sue & Mark

We hope to live a simple happy life, for world peace, and some time to chill.

Anonymous

I hope for a safe place to raise my two kids.

Alba & Mom

We hope for our home country, Ecuador, to change their ways as well as other countries. We are upset about Green Peace.

Angel

I hope one day to be a doctor.

Yared & Todd

We hope for school to finish and our lives to start.

Kimo

I hope not to be alone. I hope to be stable, hear God, and know He's there because sometimes it doesn't feel that way.

Alfredo

I hope for my son, Alfred, Jr., to be OK and to be released from jail early.

Annette

I hope for peace all over the world.

Tony

I hope for the chance to never have to work again.

Rancerre

I hope to see my nephew, Omar, who was taken away from me. We haven't had contact with him for 6 years.

Sonia & Boyfriend

We hope that people learn to respect each other more and treat others with dignity.

Sonia

I hope that people express themselves and unite through music.

Ralph

It's very hard to have hope in the USA. I am from Sweden, and I hope my kids have good lives and for my whole family to be happy.

Syan & Hosa

We hope for violence to stop in Mexico. And also for a stop to the drugs and people getting killed.

Tina & Scott

We hope more time & money... More time to appreciate what we have in life.

Kali

I hope for the safety of my school friends.

Raul

I hope to have time to accomplish everything I wants to accomplish and to own a house.

Joe

I hope that we can clean up and fix the Gulf of Mexico oil spill and to become an actor.

Bryce

I hope that people realize that they are the change that needs to happen.

Terry

I hope we would have good leaders.

Jennifer

I hope to become a doctor.

Hector

I hope for good health.

Tim

I hope people would be enlightened. I don't like the "system."

John

I hope to get off the streets.

John

I hope the city would get more finances.

Kristina

I hope for inner peace and contentment.

Pearl & Norm

We hope for the troops to come back.

Georgia

I hope for peace.

Daniel

I hope for a better economy. Please pray for me. I'm jobless.

James

Please pray for mom who is sick and has problems breathing. I visit my mom everyday.

Anonymous

Please pray for Saul and my baby, Joseph.

Evelyn

I hope to retire healthy and move back to the Philippines.

Debbie

I hope for my kids to grow up. Me and my partner want to be proud of them.

Jeremy

I hope for dinner. I just ran a few miles, and I want dinner.

Steven

I hope for a better economy, a hybrid car, and a dog. I hope people will adopt pets and take better care of the ocean.

Donald

I hope for peace because there's a lot of hatred in this world: terrorist organizations, people using hatred to create fear, Israel & Palestine. We can't we talk & compromise.

Armando

I hope for safety from the gangs. I live in Highland Park, and my ex-roommate was approached by gang members. It's not fair for people to live in fear. I hope to be better connected to God, though I've been a Christian for years. Everyone needs to search for their spirituality. People need to be open and realize the search is important.

Omar

I hope that I can see my kids grow up. Everything else means nothing. That means my health has to be good and theirs has to be good.

Yared

I am a Cal Poly hotel and restaurant management student, and I hope to graduate. I want to open a bakery one day.

Todd

I hope for positivity, especially for my dad

Norik

I am a dad. Society as a whole seems low, and I hope everyone can be happier

Jericaka

I hope we can be closer to God.

Virginia

I hope for a better relationship with God and spend more time in prayer.

Annie

I hope I can take care of my parents and pay back my parents. I want to give them back what they gave me.

Sarah

I hope for a better future for United States socially, financially, and economically. I hope for unity in US. I hope for personal success and stability at school at Life Pacific College.

Anonymous

I hope for Jesus' return and to be in heaven someday.

Anonymous

I hope we can be environmentally conscious.

Anonymous

I hope we can legalize marijuana.

Anonymous

I hope someday to begin planting trees on York Blvd. with my friends.

Anonymous

I hope that economy gets better so I can get a job. Or I hope to win the lotto.

Anonymous

I hope more neighborhoods become eco-friendly and dog friendly.

Carlos

I hope for an end to war, drug control, and a better economy.

Alicia

I hope for the health of older people, especially the health of a friend who has cancer.

Jackie

I hope housing. I need housing. Today, I woke up in sprinklers and got sick.

Jeremy

I am studying economies and Chinese at Occidental College. I hope for a better economy overall (especially in Greece) and world peace.

Manny

I hope to move back to Eagle Rock. I left when my mom kicked me out of the house. I also hope for less violence in Los Angeles. I hope for a home.

Albert

I hope for more jobs and more money for schools.

Elizabeth

I hope for reconciliation with my family.

Stanley

I would appreciate prayer for me. I hope God would take care of me.

Mike

I hope to sell my car.

Anonymous

I hope my daughter gets off of drugs.

Jacqueline

I hope for a good life.

LJ

I hope for a better economy.

Vickie

I hope for good health for my family and son and employment in the Philippines.

Rodge

I hope for a good economy.

Kashi

I hope to never die, be happy, and make enough (but not too much).

Mark

I hope to see peace in the world and no more wars. I hope to go to church and grow closer to God.

Alonzo and Eileen

We hope for the healthy and safe birth of our son.

Adriena

I hope the economy gets better and for good jobs for my family and friends.

Selena

I hope for peace and to do well on my biology test on Thursday.

John

I hope for safety.

Anonymous

I hope to get into rehab.

Anonymous

I hope for a home.

Gary

I hope for a van with a DVD player.

Rosalino

I hope for a better economy.

Martha

I hope for more money.

Elgie

I hope for good health, good work, a good home, and for my daughters to go to college.

Jenny

I hope we can prevent global warming.

German

I hope for world peace.

Debbie & Rachel

I hope to be working, doing well in school, built great partnerships, and have a good family.

Josh

Everything is good. I hope that God gives another day for myself and my family.

George

I hope for my son's safety in the military. I hope for the wellbeing of my family and relationships.

Marcella

I hope for to have better health because of my diabetes and cholesterol. Immigration is a big concern in this community, and I hope that families can be together and not separated. I hope my children would continue in school and meet their goals.

Fabio

I hope my kids grow up safe. They're aged 3, 7, and 13. I'm scared of child pedophiles, the education system, and financial situation.

José

I hope my son has enjoyable life, likes what he does, and has a beautiful family.

RJ

I hope to slow down. I'm very busy.

Anna

I hope I can get my home remodeled.

Andrew

I hope for change, freedom, and to get off of the streets.

Suzanne

I hope for world peace.

Constanza

I hope for a flight to Germany.

Arthur

I hope for less pollution and a better environment.

Jose & Sandra

I hope for safety and more thanks.

Trody

I hope for safety for my children and family and my own wellbeing.

Sati & Sara

We hope for jobs and opportunities for young people

Linda

I hope for peace and health.

Andy

I hope for a better humanity and the United States to start thinking.

Anonymous

I hope for a more peaceful Los Angeles and more opportunities for people who have lost their jobs. I hope for elected public officials to come to an agreement how to decrease the states debt.

Andre

I hope that people in this world can learn to respect each other more.

"Soor Tooth"

I hope that the beliefs & lifestyle of Audrey Hepburn will someday be embraced and loved by society.

Aubrey

I hope for less government corruption and parental control of government.

"Gaming Mike"

I hope to make some money and get some to spend just hanging out.

Ron

I hope for enlightenment and education. We have a dense, greedy society. People want things. Our world is greedy and needs to get educated.

Jimmy

In order to really hear music, you have to work as hard as the musician. Music is an experience, not just something you listen to.

Ron

I hope for enlightenment for the world and for people not to be so greedy and trample over each other to get to the top.

Ray

I hope for a better economy, a better USA, and world peace.

Joey

I hope to become a professional skateboarder.

Joseph

I hope for success in life, money for life, and make a good living.

Susan

I hope for health and love and that everything comes from those two things.

Greca

I hope to be able to make a good living so that I can provide for my family and children.

Jason

I hope for freedom.

Monica

I hope to continue learning how to love.

John

I hope to be less about myself and more about God.

Adam

I hope that I would get off the street.

Zaida

I hope for more jobs and a better economy. I hope for my 14-month-old daughter to grow up and be intelligent.

Clarence

I hope that everything in the neighborhood world come to Christ.

Annette

I hope to hear fewer police sirens.

Tanya

I hope for better security in the Highland Park neighborhood.

Marielyn

I hope for health for my family, work, happiness, love, tranquility...and hope.

Mike

I hope for a good relationship with my daughter (who is 19 years old) and a cleaner neighborhood.

Evelyn

I hope for a better economy and better health personally.

Robert

I hope for health and longevity. I'm thankful for what I love.

Rolando

I hope for less violence and the neighborhood's wellbeing.

Louis

I hope for my business to be successful, my daughter's health, and marriage to be strong.

Katie

I hope for the nation to get out of Iraq and the health and success of my family.

Mario

I hope for my family's health, the safety of community, and recovery from my injury.

Anonymous

I hope for peace in the Middle East.

Chris

I hope for the happiness of my family and income for us.

Albert

I hope to win the lottery and find success for his family.

Merta

I hope for more jobs for people in the city and harmony in my family.

Alex

I hope for my safety while I'm in the Marines.

Andres

I hope for a better job.

José

I hope for the health and prosperity for my kids and that they would be good kids.

Lupe

I hope for my family to be OK. My son was shot in a drive-by shooting two weeks ago.

Adrian

I hope for everyone to repent and be saved. I hope that my family would make good decisions.

Reena & Melissa

I hope for my mother to have good health and for us to be successful in school.

Junior

I hope for jobs, more hours at work, and more money.

David

I hope for my little sister to grow up in a better neighborhood. I hope for immigration reform to happen quickly. People just come here to work and they get treated like criminals.

Anonymous

I hope for a better world for my grandchildren than this one. I hope for the oil spill to be capped quickly.

Felishia

Please pray for my future.

Noah

I hope that the people that I mentor will be successful in their lives.

Omar

I hope for more cops in the city.

Ralph

I hope for this recession to be over.

Patty

I hope for my hair business and a healthy family.

Ray

I hope for more money for the arts.

Joe

I hope for my safety.

Alabama

I hope for peace and love.

Francisco

I hope for my health. I've had 3 strokes in the last 30 years.

Robert

I hope for more money.

Alain

I hope for progress for this neighborhood.

Antonio

I hope that we live in a better world, where there's not as many killings.

Karen

I hope to get toys!

Brian

I hope for health & love & peace. My dad just had a stroke.

Tina

I hope my son, David, will stop smoking marijuana. I have a co-dependent relationship with him.

Kimberly

I hope for school to get safer in 7th grade.

Kevin

I hope for the streets to get safer.

Lucy

I hope for "good" for my children, Kimberley and Kevin.

Shakaman

I hope to hit the lottery--any lottery.

Raul

I hope to be in good health, so I can work.

Prince

I hope for happiness & comfort.

Mark

I hope for my kids to have a good life.

Vivian

I hope for not a very hot summer.

Louie

I hope for peace of mind so I can be my own best friend--just me & God.

Jerry

I hope to go to Hawaii. I hope for my own peace & freedom.

Karol

I hope to have my son back.

Robert

I hope to get out of here.

Jeffrey

I hope to go to church tomorrow, and to get a job.

Dwight

I hope to get out of this facility and go to Burbank or Beverly Hills to live.

Bill

I hope for a place of my own to live.

Gary

I hope for transportation and a place to live. I hope for a safe place for my parents to live and for peace in the world.

Shakeesha

I hope to live in love and to get a job as a writer. I hope to enjoy God and the angels.

Fernando

I hope to be free from addiction 100%!

Caroline

I hope for a place to live and to see my children.

Petrie

I hope to stop drinking.

Miguel

I hope for peace all around the world.

Marvin

I hope for no disease in the world, peace, and the end of all wars.

Maryann

I hope for second chances.

Caroline

I hope for a working kitchen.

Ivan

I hope to be happy everyday.

John

I hope that there's an awakening to Jesus in Eagle Rock.

James

I hope for the ability to stay living in my apartment.

Anonymous

I hope for change in the community and peace.

Anonymous

I hope for health.

Axel

I hope for a job.

Richard

I hope for world peace.

Mike

I hope for a job.

James

I hope for graffiti to be gone in the city.

Angie

I hope for no more violence in the neighborhoods.

Nacho

I hope for youthfulness and health.

Flora

I hope for health, marriage, and success in my career.

Omar

I hope for health.

Teddy

I hope for a healthy heart.

Ivan

I hope for money and a home.

Carlos

I hope for health.

Fernando

I hope for health.

Raul

I hope for peace.

Rosy

Espero que para la salud de mis hijos: Jesús, David, Saul, y Arlette.

Israel

Espero que para la salud de mi familia.

Anonymous

I hope for a good laugh.

Yesenia

I hope for the economy to get better.

Edmundo

I hope for powerful people to be less greedy, people to care more about each other, the housing market to turn around, and the improvement of the US.

Jeff

I hope for the neighborhood to be unified, a better community, bringing something good to the community, and an artist community that doesn't become elitist and push out the native residents.

Elizabeth

I hope for a family and for my boyfriend of seven years to marry me and have kids.

Maribel

I hope for Jesus to come back soon. We are seeing so many signs and things happening in our world and as a community. We want Jesus to come quickly.

Julius

I hope for a family and business.

Juan

I hope for food, to not homeless, and to get rid of alcohol.

Chxovi

I hope for a better job to support my wife and 8 kids.

Anelede

I hope for health.

Gloria

I hope for peace.

Olivia

I hope for peace.

Claudia

I hope for a job as a nurse.

Wilbert

I hope for a good relationship with my mom, a better knowledge of English, and to pass my GED next year.

Zimery

I hope for my baby to be healthy.

Elias

I hope for my baby to be a girl.

Ally

I hope for financial stability.

Jeremy

I hope for financial stability.

James

I hope for financial stability.

Dameon

I hope for financial stability.

Marvin

I hope for work and good health.

Isabella

I hope for the health of my pets.

Nancy

I hope for the opportunity to help other people.

Min

I hope for happiness.

Roy

I hope for forgiveness from a friend.

Antoinette

I hope for long-term work and health.

Daniel

I hope for happiness and good health.



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Our unique projects train, equip, and send out listeners into neighborhoods where they are invited to discover their community in a brand new way and be personally changed in the process.

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