

8. What goods and/or services (if any) are currently lacking in the Grand Lake commercial district between 580 and the Piedmont line?

80% of our shopping is on the Lakeshore side.

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? I honestly can't think of anything missing! Maybe more toy stores. See Talbot's in San Mateo: awesome mix of popular and hobby stuff. Or Toy Safari in Alameda. Or mini golf/ arcade too...

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Adequate parking

Adequate parking. Taqueria.

Affordable retailers, coffee shops that stay open late
all purpose store like Target or such.

Art supplies

As mentioned above, a paper goods/stationary store

Authentic Mexican restaurant,
authentic mexican restaurant.

Authentic taqueria. Place to buy fresh seafood/fish market. Noodle/ramen shop on Lakeshore side. Small circuit training gym (like Flex on Piedmont Ave).

Auto Parts - but please don't add an auto parts store - I'm OK going to E18th or Broadway for that :) The mix of theater, retail, shops, grocery, hardware store and dining works for me.

Auto parts, but I doubt the neighborhood would support the addition of an auto parts store.

bakery

bakery, like Il Fornaio

Bakery, pizza, affordable restaurants, less red zones.

Bank

bathrooms

BBQ

BBQ

beer garden!

Better clothing store options. Bubble tea. Better coffee like Philz, Blue Bottle, Four Barrel, etc

Better clothing, shoes, furniture, fresh seafood or butcher.

Better happy hour

Better ice cream options Larger retail shops

Better restaurants

bookstore

Breakfast spot, ice cream, music venue, art gallery

brew pub really good ice cream leather goods news stand

brew pub/beer bars, vegetarian/vegan-specific restaurants, music venues, community art center

Burrito shop!!! Butcher/ seafood market. Like the one on college avenue near Claremont.

butcher

Butcher Gift Shop

Butcher Produce

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Butcher and an independent coffee shop
Butcher and fishmonger.
butcher fish market
Butcher Fish market
Butcher fishmonger and cheese shop
butcher shop
Butcher shop Charcuterie/cheese shop (like Farmstead in Alameda and Montclair)
College Ave's Market Hall (though maybe the new Market Fare is like that. Haven't
been in yet) More restaurants with patios so I can bring my dog (Drake's
Dealership). Dog park!!!!
butcher shop office supply store/stationers
Butcher shop Produce shop Good Mexican Food
butcher shop with good fish too.
Butcher shop!
Butcher shop, more great restaurants or anything that would make our neighborhood a
shopping destination. The addition of Quickly on Lakeshore was a horrible decision.
No more nail salons!
Butcher shop. High-end bakery. General-purpose women's clothing. A ****good**** Chinese
restaurant.
Butcher Taqueria (xolo) More retail
Butcher, fish, or cheese shop. I don't think Grand Fare will fill the gap because it
seems poorly executed and likely to fail (again).
butcher, fishmarket
Butcher, specially grocery store, lunch options.
Butcher.
Butcher. I'd love another shoe repair. I won't go to the one in lakeshore due to the
bad temperament of the owner. High-end clothing.
butcher/fish shop (#1 choice - need to drive to Rockridge or fruitvale for quality
options) -sandwich shop (bahn mi, or deli) -educational youth center -gourmet ice
cream (like, fentons)
butcher/fishmonger
butcher/meat market, Mexican food, Market Hall like market, Cheese shop
Can't think of a lot.
Can't think of any right now we have good local stores like Ace hardware and Grocery
stores and drug stores so I can get most of what I need. And range of restaurants is
amazing in diversity. Maybe a Market Hall like complex
Can't think of anything right now.
can't think of one
CD or Vinyl music store.
Cheese shop -good Mexican food
Cheese shop, local butcher, bagel shop, grocery store such as market hall or
Piedmont grocery. Mexican restaurant such as picante (in Berkeley), local cafe
cheese store, knife sharpening, reasonably priced clothing or shoe stores,
electronics store, yarn store, arts/crafts store
Children's dance/theater/music/art studio
clean coffee shop that is open throughout the day. Starbucks, Peets and Noahs are
really dirty and not someplace I like to meet with clients or have my toddler spend
much time in... In general, it would be great to have the Grand Lake commercial

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district "clean up". There are some great businesses and the access to the lake is amazing but the streets feel dingy compared to other commercial districts (Rockridge, Piedmont and even Temescal). The bar seems lower in this area than other commercial areas. P

Clothing retail Office supplies

Clothing retailers - currently I go to Walnut Creek or SF to shop. I have never been able to buy clothes in Oakland for the past 20 years. The stores don't have to be big to do a brisk business - even chain retailers can support a neighborhood scale boutique that will thrive. And I don't mean consignment or tee shirts. I would love to see a series of affordable family oriented restaurants. Place I could eat at during the week for dinner. Entree price point should be under \$18.

Clothing shops

Clothing store Gift Store

Clothing stores

clothing stores

Coffee houses above Mandana, cafes and the like

Coffee shops with space to work. Local grocery. Local produce

Coffee shops.

Coffeehouse

Community based Bike share

Community center

Community space. Non profit exercise studio or town hall. Youth center. Restaurants have become too expensive. We need cheaper eats but high quality food. So everyone can afford to eat out and eat healthy.

Convenient healthy, inexpensive snacks.

Could use a sport store like REI.

Craft materials, yarn, nail polish, beads.

craft store like Michael's, a store that sells materials, and notions.

Craft supplies, reasonably priced pet supplies, dry cleaners

credit union, a LGBT bar, community art space, more food options open 24 hours,

offices for community organizations and non-profits.

current retail mix is excellent

Cute boutiques are missing. I enjoy walking on Piedmont Ave., but not on Grand.

Dairy

Dance party venue/bar, beer garden, fresh seafood/fishmonger

Dance studio for large events. A small farmer joes would be nice if parkable.

decent grocery store other than Safeway. Something small!

decent pub and grill or a relaxed family-oriented pizza place. A notch down from Little Star, for example.

Decent restaurants always an improvement

Definitely not another bank or workout studio, please. I'm trying to think of places we drive to vs. shopping local: We'd love a Mr. Green Bubble! A good pho place, an upscale ramen shop. Target (not saying that's a fit here, but it is a destination that takes us to Emeryville or Alameda vs. Oakland.) A home store like Sur La Table or Someone's in the Kitchen. A sporting goods store like Montclair Sports that sells tennis/soccer/swimming/dance gear for adults and kids. Or an

Athleta/Lululemon/Lucy/Title 9.

Definitely not nail salons or dry cleaners or yogurt/ice cream. There have been a

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number of nice restaurants pop up, which has been nice. Maybe more bakeries or bakeries combined with coffee shops. A place for kids would be great. Either a breakfast place or a low key, comfort food place for dinner with kids. More higher end clothing stores would also be nice.

Deli

Deli / sandwich shop

Deli Full service bakery Housewares Japanese restaurant Burrito shop

deli or sandwich shop. sporting goods/apparel

Deli!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!! (With gluten free bread) Cheese shop Produce store with farmers market quality produce (the one on Lakeshore is horrible, how are they in business)

Deli-style sandwich shop w/ other prepared foods.

delicatessen!!!

Dental choices

Department store with low to medium end items like underwear.

Dime & Dollar type store that sells everything.

diner with hamburgers, wings, etc.

Dive bars. Ice cream store. Liquor store.

Dog Park! Community spaces with a focus on children and or seniors. More community events!

Don't shop there much, but new businesses should aim for reasonable prices!

Electronics, larger clothing shops for kids

Environmentally friendly dry cleaner Good Mexican food place (Chipotle doesn't count) Higher end burger place (like Roam in Lafayette - would love for them to open a location here!)

Brewery/pub style place A traditional Italian restaurant

ethnic grocery store - would be great to see an Asian grocery store :)

Fabric and art supplies. Butcher shop

Family friendly pub

fantastic shop = to the Pasta Shop. A great meat market (like Clove & Hoof or Ver Brugge)

Find most everything I need.

Fish and Chips restaurant A place where you could buy fresh fish. Cigar shop

Fish Market

Fish market Craft beer store Daycare

fish restaurant

fish/meat market More SE Asian food

Fitness center

Florist Wine store like vino in Piedmont

florist, ice creamery, home goods retail.

French style bakery, local clothing local small food bespoke products

Fresh fish market

fresh produce

fresh seafood retail

general drug store and sundries

Gluten-free bakery. Kitchen wares store (e.g. Williams Sonoma). Target or similar store.

Good bakery. Ice cream store.

good burger- a Trueburger, or Local a good place to have a beer - we have a few cocktail bars, but not pubs businesses that people walk and cycle to, nothing that

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invites more cars

good butcher shop A local grocery like star grocery or birite An authentic Italian restaurant and a pizza place like Il Casaro or La ciccia in SF A Mexican place Good cafe where you can hang out, sit down/outside, enjoy a coffee and snack. Could also use a good Mexican restaurant and a place to buy fresh fish and cheese.

good casual mexican restaurant, like Cholita Linda cafe and bakery, like La Farine home goods store watch repair

Good Chinese restaurant

Good coffee shop, salon, kids store, boutique, upscale restaurant

good deli

Good Deli - something in line with Genova which was located on Telegraph and now has closed. More real Bakeries like Arizmendi-there are a lot of other great bakeries

Good Cheese shop Real coffee houses - not Starbucks or Pete's - I roast coffee at home and you cannot compare my coffee with either Starbucks and Pete's. People really do not know what a good cup of coffee tastes like. As mentioned below - visit Europe - have some fresh french bread and brie - have a cappuccino and sit on the table on the sidewalk - rain or shine

good deli/sandwich shop, fabric/craft store, art supply store, good mexican food (really sad Cholita Linda got booted), a good late night diner

good delicatessen (a la Genoa or A.G. Ferrari)!

good Ethiopian restaurant.

good fish store, cheese selection (new grand fare market has nice but limited cheese selection), great bread purveyors... having a destination fish shop like Monterrey Fish, Tokyo Fish or cheese like Cheese Shop would be great

good fruit/veggie-only store. A parking garage

good grocery store or market hall style area so that we don't have to trek to whole foods or farmer joes. also kid-friendly restaurants with outdoor seating that is not on the busy sidewalk. And a home goods style store

Good Hispanic food.

good locally owned Coffee shop. A high quality Mexican taqueria like Cactus. We have everything else

Good Mexican food

Good mexican food 2. Good specialty coffee shop like Blue Bottle 3. Good upscale market like Piedmont Grocery

Good Mexican food, outdoor seating

Good Mexican food.

good Mexican restaurant!

good movie rental store, but I think that's a thing of the past. Anxious to try the "new" Grand Fare Market. Looks improved, but, as mentioned above, parking sucks.

Good New York bagels; or Beauty's; Kitchen store Space for kids and teen programs, or like branch of the Y

Good produce. Trader Joes, Safeway, and the small grocery on Lakeshore have decent produce but not a wide variety or high quality.

Good quality, reliable dry cleaner. High end florist More apparel shops for kids... Shoe store? High quality ice cream Great burrito shop (how about Cactus?) Great sandwich shop (Grinders?) I'd also like to see improvements to our pathetic little library

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Good restaurants are lacking. They are all mediocre, other than Shakewell. Foot locker, gap and Petco? Really? Some of the most boring chains ever in a Potentially vibrant area. Overall the grand/lakeshore shopping district is very boring and not a destination. The farmers market is the only reason to go, I much prefer college ave or Piedmont ave.

Good restaurants Good deli, miss Genova . No more fast foods!!

Good restaurants, butcher shop

good salad spot—since Intermezzo inn Berkeley burned down, there hasn't been a good substitute in the area. A ramen spot.

Good shoe repair, good bakeries, butcher and fish market.

good taqueria. Indian food.

good, independent burrito shop. We love Arizmendi but wish that the Bread Garden branch that was here a few years ago had survived. (But then the parent store subsequently failed, also.)

Good, local Mexican food. (Sorry Connie's Cantina is not good.)

Goods and services seem to be well represented. Grand Avenue merchants need to be a better job of maintaining cleanliness standards.

Grand Ave has been the best source for new, creative (particularly food related) business. The empty locations on Lakeshore seems to be a sign that the landlords simply don't have much creative imagination, or they are asking far too much in rent. I would very much like to know what's going on along that street in general. Lin Jai is excellent, Bistro Michelle has been a great addition, as well as Shakewell. The Natural Foods and Lakeshore Produce are very much appreciated as well. We need those empty spots on either side of Peets to be filled with something besides national chain stores, and the metal protection screen on the shoe store across from Peets is an abomination. I think the waxing studio is just awful as well.

Grand lake area offers a variety of goods and services. Cannot identify anything that is missing

great breakfast place (like Mama's on Broadway.) A great Mexican restaurant. A great upscale coffee shop to linger in. A great grocery store (Safeway isn't great and Trader Joe's is too specialized. We drive to Piedmont Grocery.)

great cafe

great work from home cafe. An example would be temescal's cafe underwood. Amazing food, free wifi and open late.

grocery store like Whole Foods or Sprouts

Grocery store other than 7-11. Bank Butcher

Grocery stores, restaurants

Gym

Gym (crossfit, cycling) Electronics store Brewery

Habit burger Sees candies - bring them back! Local Mexican food

hardware store near the lake would be nice, but it is hard to compete with ACE. I think Grand Lake needs to create a Transit Center that gives it some real brand identity. People from SF hesitate to come to Grand Lake because it is hard to get to via transit and parking is an issue. Let's make it more transit friendly with large shelters, real time arrival signs, amenities, etc - like a real metro station. Then more will come!

Hardware store. Oh, how I miss the Super Long's garden center!

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High end clothing Specialty sports outfits
High end grocery, deli
High end shoe store, not disposable ones that are sold on Lakeshore and Grand Ave.
Something like Rabat. Fish monger, butcher, home wares..
High quality casual restaurants (like a Park Burger)
High quality fast casual food.
High-end cheese shop.
Higher end store for women's beauty/makeup products. A good shoe store. Market for prepared foods, like what grand fare was supposed to be.
Higher quality restaurants on Grand. More family oriented restaurants. There are several low quality, underutilized stores on Grand Ave. Love the new apparel stores and Alchemy on Grand. Need more of those, and on Lakeshore. And, for those of us who have lived here for a long time, Lakeshore/Grand has been lacking quality retailers for decades. There needs to be a comprehensive strategy for our commercial corridor. Our Business Improvement District needs to raise more revenues, and our leader is spending more time on local politics than improving our commercial corridor. Our demographics (let's face it, we're a wealthy neighborhood below Piedmont) can support higher quality retail. We spend too much time and money in other Oakland neighborhoods dining and shopping (Piedmont Ave/Rockridge) and other communities (Emeryville/Lafayette/Orinda/Walnut Creek/San Francisco) Lastly, let's stop the insanity that national chains are the devil. While I don't want our area to become Walnut Creek, we can use some more high quality retailers like GAP. Keep in mind, GAP is a LOCAL company that employs bay area residents. We can be socially, environmentally, and economically sensitive and have a good mix of local and national retailers.
Himalayan food. good mexican food.
hip coffee shop Better clothing store/shopping
Hipster coffee. i say this jokingly but I'm serious. I don't think we have great coffee on this side, except for the place at Grand Fare. More artisan pourover coffee shops - like Red Bay coffee!! more art/cultural institutions. Mixed use gallery + food + education?
Hobby shop. Clothing. Stationary/crafts.
Home and garden store like "Neighbor" on Piedmont Ave. women's shoe store
Honestly, before you add more goods and or services, a better job keeping the sidewalk cleaned is needed. The smell of urine is hard to overlook, trash...
Housewares; cool plant store
Housing
How about a produce store? Being limited to Safeway fruit and veggies in that stretch is unfortunate.
I am pretty happy with the goods and services offered at the Grand Lake shopping area. I just love being able to walk to shop.
I believe we need a couple more small goods/gifting/home type stores...something like Maison d'Etre, Nathan and Co or Atomic Garden. (all on College in Rockridge)
I can't think of anything
I don't know
I don't think anything is missing. It's more about the quality of the offerings. Adding more chains like Quickly and Chipotle are disappointing and offer no character to the street.

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I find between grand and lakeshore most of my needs are met.

I find everything I need now.

I hate to be repetitive, but what should be put in Kwik Way space is a multilevel parking lot!! Instead of more people and their cars, there should be new parking so people can use the goods and services already there. We don't need new businesses. We need a place to put all the cars!!

I have no idea.

I love the lingerie shop on Piedmont, where they do fittings "Revelation in Fit" and would love to have that closer. Would like to see more locally produced goods / workshops like they have in Temescal Alley. Maybe a cooperative space with multiple producers.

I miss having a small 'five & dime' type store in the neighborhood. Also, an ice cream/soda fountain store would be nice.

I still pine for our video store to come back but I know that isn't realistic. I think there is a great variety already and I am able to get all of my essential needs met within our neighborhood. I would love an ice cream shop (not gelato).

I think it's pretty well covered.

I think this area has a good mix of goods and services.

I think we have a good assortment... do we still have a tailor? I haven't found one since Wesley Cleaners closed.

I think we have so much! but now that i think of it - we need a superb vegetarian restaurant. Preferably someplace that makes the meat eater the after thought (I still love meat, but my boyfriend is a vegetarian). Our choices are limited. 2) Maybe some more restaurants that stay open later - I MISS THE BURRITO SHOP!!! As an add on to this- no addition of anything that will put another shop out of business as Chipotle seemingly did to Burrito shop - this felt mean. Even if that wasn't what happened - that was how it appeared to have happened. 3) Maybe a home goods shop? i love IKEA but it would be nice to go into someplace like Therapy or a smaller west elm? 4) Finally - I would like to see better trash collection and litter signage - maybe an art project that encourages more clean up - from the freeway entrances/exits to the park, to the sidewalks. I know there are some services on lakeshore in the morning and those gentleman are great! but we need more everywhere and maybe a campaign to pitch in. but i get it- sometime stuff on the ground is suspect and we're "scared" to pick it up. ;(5) How about another library?!! that stays open late and serves coffee - I've always thought the wave of the future in libraries are those that have cafes!

I want to keep long time businesses like shoe repair, cleaners, stationery stores. Inexpensive children's clothing would be nice. No chain stores please!

I wish the Safeway was better/cleaner. neighborhood type bar/sports bar. wish the cvs was cleaner/better.

I'd like grocery type shop on grand, where you could run out to get those few things you forgot at trader joes. Or more diverse restaurant options. It's a lot of Thai, sushi and pizza. Places I love in are limon in SF, French type food with good mussels, salads like old cafe intermezzo in Berkeley.

I'd like to see a shoe and/or clothing store. Something besides just The Gap.

I'm blinded by the number of resale shops, nail places and copy places I can't even think about my needs

I'm pretty happy with the options!

Ice cream

ice cream - regular, not fancy parking

Ice cream, butcher and/or fish market, deli, taqueria, coffee shop that has room to sit and work/meet people (= bigger than Peet's), children's shoe store, possibly still a need for a small-scale market hall-like place depending on how Grand Fare 2.0 goes (but hopefully this will be successful and fill this need). No more pets, nails, or cell phone stores, please! Not sure you can do anything about this, but a huge gap is schools. I don't want to see Lakeview reopened given its proximity to I-580, but there are now no nearby school options for elementary school, which is incredibly frustrating. I have no idea where in the commercial district this type of use might be accommodated, but that seems like the only place to look given the residential character of the surrounding streets.

Independently owned sandwich and or burrito shops. I would also be in favor of any kind of fast, inexpensive healthy food options! Gentrification has caused the loss of four sandwich shops over the past few years, as well as the beloved burrito shop.

This is Oakland, not walnut creek. We don't need chain restaurants or stores!!! Stop the greedy landlords!!!

Internal medicine doctor era Cheese shop

Investment financial services, financial literacy {but we have plenty of banks} 2. a co-op supermarket {but that won't happen unless Safeway closes} 3. art 4. We have plenty of restaurants and coffee shops, but a brewpub would be nice.

It seems to be all nail places.

It would be nice to have a good drugstore that didn't keep everything locked up (asking a clerk to get a tube of make-up means I shop Amazon) and one that wasn't filled with food.

It's all moot with the lack of parking. Brunch places would be nice.

Italian deli (grand fare doesn't fill that need)

Italian Deli like Genova which was priced out of Temescal Plaza but is sorely missed by many long time residents. Goods and services of all kinds. What we don't need is more upscale gentrification.

Italian deli Real Butcher shop like on college across from antic new Safeway. Old style butcher shop Fishmonger Real cheese shop Several wineries coop tasting room Jewelry store

Jewelry, watch repair

Karaoke

La Farine Vino!

Large-ish clothing store - like MacCoulou in Montclair.

Larger scale grocery store

less national chain more local small business

Like I mentioned earlier, I think the overall neighborhood, which expands to Lakeshore and Lake Park has a great variety of commerce.

local (non-chain) grocer like Farmer Joe's or Piedmont Market,

Local brewery How to make ceramics

Local Mexican restaurant. Used clothing store for everyone.

local name brand coffee shop- Blue bottle, etc. A specialty grocery store. Ice cream like Smitten or Curbside. Cholina Linda- seriously, I cannot believe that lease got botched.

Major clothing stores, good sandwich shop, more casual food restaurants

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market alternatives to Safeway and tjs--fruits and veggies. a store selling clothing
BASICS

Massage services Fabric store

Meat market, good deli, sandwich shop, Thai restaurant, fresh cooked rotisserie chickens.

Meat market; larger produce market; full-time, late hours cafe.

Men and Women's shoes and mid priced clothing.

Men's Clothing

Men's clothing.

Mens clothing Oaklandish

Mens clothing.

mexican food. a place for jazz or other live music.

Mexican/Taco restaurant, could use more restaurant options, kitchen wares, deli, butcher

mini Target.

Moderately priced, more conservative clothing options such as a j. Crew.

more boutiques. bigger cafes.

More cafes with wifi, more chain establishments

more clothing stores.

More coffee shops and more little shops for clothing, household random items, etc.

More coffee shops on Grand - More "browsing" shops (like on College Ave/Rockridge - Maison D'Etre, etc) - I wish Unleashed was a Pet Food Express. While they cater to the same market, Unleashed doesn't carry the brands I get from PFE, still requires trip out of the neighborhood - Collaborative/co-work spaces. Renovating some of the office parks would be amazing

More ethnic food stores

More food options especially lunch spots

More high-quality coffeehouses. Boot and Shoe is the closest offering like that.

Maybe another specialty grocery store like Village Market on Broadway Terrace. More co-working spaces would be a real plus (like what's going on near Sweet Bar Bakery).

More indie retail

More kids clothing and shoes.

More nail salons (kidding), More working class restaurants. A deli.

More places to buy booze. Not enough booze places. (this is facetious, of course - the neighborhood is already over saturated with liquor stores, wine shops, specialty alcohol shops, bars and restaurants with beer/wine licenses. You can even get a free beer at the barber shop. Dozens and dozens of opportunities to get your drink on, and we still hand out liquor licenses like they're going out of style - far exceeding ABC's recommendation and regulation on alcohol outlet density. I'm no prude, but will we only be happy when every storefront is pushing booze?

more prepared food items, food trucks, etc. more arts and crafts, more meats

More pub/music venues. Happy hours.

More restaurants needed, but mid price range. I really want family friendly beer garden with outdoor space. A Saturday afternoon hangout is not going to happen at the Alley. Could the grand fare market get a roof deck? I'd also love a venture that can do outdoor movies at night for kids/families.

Music instruments, electronics, hip restaurants like in the Temescal.

Music store (both stores selling music, and stores selling/repairing instruments).

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Music store.

My favorite restaurant (now closed) offered healthy versions of classic comfort food (mac and cheese, beef stroganof) as well as obvious health food. It was very affordable and was a place I could take anyone and still eat healthy. Something like that, please.

N/A

n/a

Nail salon/massage/kid friendly healthy restaurant

Need more foot traffic activity; banks?Professional services that have greater number of people visiting; accountant?

Needs better parking! Coffee shop Reasonable priced food Cato's-like like pub that is good for families Outdoor place to eat - was hoping Grand Fare was going to be that but they went to swanky

new location of Lakeshore Produce is horrible. I feel very sorry for the owners. The space is too small, and there's not nearly as much traffic there. I'd like to see them back in a better location.

New Orleans style Cajun/Creole restaurant, similar to Angeline's in Berkeley. Also, small live music venue would be great.

nighttime cafe high quality casual, midrange-priced restaurants good produce market on Grand Ave (I know there's a produce market on Lakeshore)

no comment

No idea.

No place to buy fish. I mean TJs doesn't really count. Some place like Ver Brugge would be totally awesome

No place to buy sporting goods. Would be nice to walk down the street to buy some office products (although it might be hard to complete with Staples and such stores)

General problem with Oakland as a whole -- no place to buy clothing staples (that requires a trip to SF or Walnut Creek)

None

None

none

None

None

None

None

None comes to mind immediately

none that I know of

None to speak of...

None.

None. It seems we have everything. Big change from past

Not enough housing

Not sure

Not sure.

Not sure.

Not sure. Everything is growing so fast.

nothing comes to mind

Nothing important to neighborhood

Nothing in particular is missing, but I would like whatever comes in to be of a high

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quality and aesthetically pleasing. No chain stores, no more nail salons. Love the newer places that have been coming in like Ordinaire and Penrose. Of course this has to be balanced with being affordable too, but new, funky, interesting shops will only enhance our neighborhood and draw more shoppers from Oakland and beyond.

Nothing lacking.

Nothing we can think of

Nothing!

Nothing!

Nothing. It's a great shopping corridor. If I can't find parking I am forced to drive somewhere else. It was much nicer and easier when Oakland wasn't cool. Ahh the good old days.

office and home supplies, general sports store, a second book store; art supplies.

(These are the reasons I travel to Emeryville, and I'd love not to.)

Office supplies

office supply store.

only type of service we currently lack is a thrift clothing store (not a consignment store - we have those- but an actual thrift store w/ affordable clothes would be great).

Open areas where people can sit (parks)

Organic groceries. Kids' activities. Wider selection of clothes and shoes for tall women. Art/craft/sewing supplies.

Organic produce.

Other than a really good ice cream store (we really need this) none in my opinion.

I can get everything I need within that area.

Over crowded now

parking better mix of store fronts (there are plenty of successful city neighborhood models to take a lesson from)

Parking is a THE BIGGEST SERVICE ISSUE in the grand lake neighborhood, and must be solved if it is expected to continue to prosper. There is not enough public parking. People have the money to pay for it, but cannot find spots to shop there. That has always been the problem with the neighborhood, and will continue to plague it until additional solutions are implemented. There are two solutions to our parking problem: 1. Add additional parking lots. There are a number of places where this could easily be implemented. 2. Begin a local, affordable, shuttle service that would run from the corner of Piedmont Ave. at Pleasant Valley, make a stop at Splash Pad Park, and another at the corner of Lakeshore Ave. and Mandana. The shuttle would then turn left on Mandana and return to Piedmont Ave. In essence, this would be a faster alternative to the 12 bus-line, which runs too infrequently.

Parking space

Parking! Seems like the district can't afford to get any more successful because it has outgrown available parking. Most times I go, I park all the way up at Safeway and drive down. Or walk all the way. But in rainy season, thats not a great option.

parking, especially load/unload 5-15 minute spots

Parking. Plus-sized clothing. Craft and sewing supplies. Cooking/kitchen tools (at a reasonable price). School supplies.

Parking. I used to do all my shopping, dining and socializing in the Grand Lake area but now I avoid it completely due to the lack of parking.

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Parking. Two lanes. Electric car chargers. A healthy city has a healthy economy. If people from all over cannot get to businesses and park their cars, the businesses will move out of Oakland.

parklet! Also, a seafood shop, a butcher shop, and delicious Mexican food.

Patelco Credit Union branch office (or cooperating partner to provide surcharge-free ATM)

Pet boarding.

Pet Food store that carries smaller unit size cat food.

Pet stores

Pharmacy

pizza parlor

Pre-prepared food for busy families

Prepared take out foods - ideally not insanely expensive. High quality meat

proper coffee shop

Quality Clothing stores. Decent drug store or 5 and dime style store

Raman shop.

ramen house please! -good vietnamese food, not miss saigon -kids activity (pottery studio or brushstroke-like venue) -upscale bakery

Ramen restaurants Dim Sum restaurants

Ramen, Japanese grocery mart, non-chain cafe

real deli -- Genova style!

real good bakery at reasonable prices. Another good bookstore.

really good quality coffee shop. A really good place to pick up sandwiches. An ethnic grocery store (Asian, Indian, or Mexican)

really great bakery A vegan restaurant More affordable types of restaurants

really great toy store. A bookstore cafe. A running store/store with exercise-wear, a cheese shop, a place to buy pies and cakes (I am speaking more from a Lakeshore perspective because I frequent it more...) Maybe a great sandwich shop?

reasonably priced - Bar & Grill Pharmacy parking structure get rid of dive bars no more nail places

Reasons I go to Rockridge, Elmwood and Berkeley 4th Street: - Good Taqueria (not Chipotle) - Good Italian restaurant - Ramen Shop - Rotisserie - Specialty lighting/hardware shop - Kids (not baby) clothing like Gap Kids

record store

Record stores. Non-Safeway, non-trader Joe's produce/grocery. But really, there's something for everyone.

Regular shoes for men & women (i.e., not athletic shoes).

Restaurants open late

retail (clothes and shoes), anchor retail, casual eating that is open late on lakeshore

second grocery store, one to give Safeway some competition.

See number 2 above.

See response to question about desired business in Kwik way.

Shoe store like Walk Shop Meat and Fish store akin to Ver Brugge on College Ave.

Shoe store, crafts

Shoe store. Ladie's store

Shoe stores, smoothies, Italian, Korean, and we could use a Crepevine.

sit down cafe sandwich or coffee shop near Safeway.

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sit down family friendly restaurant that takes reservations and has organic, quality comfort food. A tea shop -not coffee and tea...just a tea shop
Small food market Lacking good looks. Much looks so out-of-date More art galleries
Small grocery markets with organic produce
small pharmacy, maybe?
small producer butcher shop - the neighborhood really wanted it from Charlie Hallowell and Grand Fare... the kosher shop isn't quite doing it
small venue for music, poetry and theater. Another wine bar, but without the attitude, and with comfortable seating! A bank on Grand. Affordable shoe store. A two-story parking lot where that current metered area is behind the Greek restaurant. That area is a huge waste of space. Sees Candy! Chair massage. Move Urban Indigo into a larger space... That place is great!
Some type of quick transit, and more parking.
Soul food
Soup & Salad restaurant - simple easy healthy family friendly restaurant open for dinner.
Specialty markets, more outdoor seating
Sporting goods (like Montclair sports), more women's clothing and shoe stores, a stronger police presence to discourage car break ins.
sporting goods -- shoes -- a good butcher -- a bakery that does cakes -- a 2nd-hand clothing store for men and women
sporting goods store. I always have to go up to Montclair. A crossfit gym
sporting goods, fish (like a fish market), Chinese food, actual (i.e, not Chipotle) burritos
Sporting goods. Menswear. Cheese shop.
Still too many nail shops. We need to control this. Message and psychic stores don't help the visual look of grand. Also the owners of the buildings lack the need to update the store fronts. Looks bad. How can we attract better stores???? Would love more boutiques!!!
store that sells work by local artists
Sweet tomato restaurant
taqueria
taqueria would be great!
taqueria. Our lives are empty without Burrito Shop
There are so many things available in the "burbs" that are not available in Oakland, it's hard to say. Thank goodness for Ace Hardware!
There are to many chain
There really isn't anything to compare with Whole Foods (or Berkeley Bowl) for produce on non-farmer's market days. Trader Joe's is getting better... but it's not the same.
Thin crust pizza Higher end Mexican food Lower end Mexican food
Things targeted towards youth (especially teenagers). Hardware store. Businesses that provides youth job training and employment. Shops that sell locally-made crafts (ceramics, glass, furniture, art, clothing).
Think we have it all
Ties into Question #2.
Too many nail salons!!
Too many nail salons. Would like more dining choices. Kid retail.

traditional butcher soup or seafood market.

truly good, traditional bakery, better than Neldhams or Merritt Bakery ever was. Would not compete with Arizmendi, a different sort of bakery. The new bakery that took over from Boniere was very disappointing in quality. 2. Also, why not compete with Fenton's? The long gone Ice Creamery on Lakeshore was hugely popular and never replaced. Another "repeat customer" service that draws people to the shopping area, a boon to all merchants. When we lost Baskin Robbins, we were not left with much. All people love good ICE CREAM with a place to sit and enjoy it. 3. Also, we need a "Beauty Bagels" quality bagel shop. Noah's product is a far cry from a water bagel.

types.of businesses are fine it seems the caliber of the shops that needs to improve.

Uncertain

Upper grand is Really lacking for anything family friendly, coffee shops play spaces, the video store, a small high quality food store, you store, breakfast spot Upscale Deli, dine in dessert / ice creamery, butcher, Vegan/vegetarian restaurants, guitar/musical instrument sales Vegetarian restaurant and a cheese store. NO MORE nail shops please!!!!

We are so lucky, we have almost everything! The only thing I'm craving is a Ramen shop (there's probably already one and I just haven't found it yet.)

We could use a nice local coffee shop--a nicer alternative to Starbucks. We could use a really good-quality bakery. I know we have Merritt Bakery and another bakery on Grand, but the quality isn't so good.

We love and shop the business district. See my earlier suggestion about doing more extensive outreach to surrounding neighborhoods to draw customers into existing small businesses within the business district to retain them and ensure their profitability (local coupon book, discount days, etc.).

We love the not so new (but newer for us) Chinese restaurant on lakeshore. We don't like any of the other Asian restaurants including the Japanese places in our neighborhood as much as the ones in Piedmont avenue or some of our favorites in Chinatown or international district. Would love a taqueria (chipotle is not a taqueria).

We need a better office supply store but those tend to be BIG BOX stores and we don't have that space.

we need a good Mexican restaurant in our neighborhood! it is very lacking.

We need a good shoe store that has shoes like Bjorn, Clarks, Ecco, etc. and has good shoes for the entire family. Unless you want cheap shoes from Target, you have to either go to Berkeley or San Francisco to try on shoes. The only stores we have that sell shoes are either obscenely overpriced designer shoes (\$370 a pair?), or purely athletic shoes (Footlocker) or just crummy shoes in some cheap, poor quality clothing stores I'd never waste my time in. Even more, I'd love to see more stores like Urban Indigo that are fun to go in. I've bought so many things from Urban Indigo just on a whim because it caught my eye. There are lots of these stores on College Ave, which is why it's fun to go walk around there. It's not that much fun to walk on Lakeshore because there's basically one fun shop to go in. If there were more of these fun (but good quality) shops with home decor/gifts, there's be more foot traffic and thus, more sales tax/money for our community.

We need more nail salons! (just kidding) Would love an Indian restaurant that is

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better than the one on Lakeshore. Or a Mexican restaurant now that the Burrito Shop has been evicted. Overall though, we have a good mix and as long as all the old-time businesses aren't replaced by hipster spirits shops, we should be OK.

We need more nail shops. Ha ha! Very, very kidding. I went for a pedicure to a nice salon on College and Alcatraz. The worker asked me where I live, and when I told her, she said, "What, you couldn't find anything closer?"

We need more specialty shops...perhaps a store that serves runners & bikers. I'd love to be able to buy my running shoes at a store on Grand. And, more "hangout" restaurants (I'm not sure Grand Fare is going to make the cut, but it's a good idea.

We need places with a more energetic vibe....more inviting.

We really have a lot of good places. Can't think of any service that is not represented.

We really need a cafe that serves salads.

We've pretty much got it all, except for a place to buy musical instruments, which are few & far between in the East Bay.

whole area sucks the big one. There's way too many national brands that have squeezed out the small guy.

Wine shop (although Buckingham tries very hard, Ordinaire is pricier) Cheese shop Furniture and clothing

Wise Sons Jewish Deli

Wish we had a small grocery, sort of like lakeshore produce, on grand Ave.

Wish we still had a store like Stier's....

With Lakeshore, we've got just about everything. We used to live in Jack London Square (which has hardly anything). One thing that Grand doesn't have is a good Taqueria and a BBQ joint.

With the growing number of homeless persons in our area, it would be good to have some services available for them as well. I am concerned about the increasing numbers and lack of city resources, shelter beds, and supportive services for these individuals and families. I also think there could be more youth-focused programs for the growing number of infants and children in the neighborhood.

Women's clothing

Women's shoes (like Tootsies in Rockridge), gourmet cheese, German baker (for dark farmers bread, pretzels, Semmel)

Would like more restaurants

Would love it if Vino opened a location here (Ordinaire is too expensive and precious) or La Farine. It's a crying shame that Cholita Linda is not moving in - the owner of that building did the neighborhood a HUGE disservice. A good small home furnishings or gift shop (like a Nathan & Co) would be great. No more personal beauty services (hair salons, wax places, nail shops) please.

Would love to see a good Korean restaurant, and miss the burrito shop (chipotle just does not scratch my mexican food itch).

would love to see more clothing retail. It's coming but slow.

Would love to see more independent shops and greater variety of dining/bar options.

Yarn shop Florist