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But this time it's not a joke. We salute the **Santa Barbara County Parks** for their **Park Host Program**. With this program people who might otherwise be living on the street in their vehicle find a safe environment inside the park. In exchange they work 20 hours a week helping to maintain the park thereby reducing incidents of vandalism, graffiti and so on by keeping their "*eyes on the street*"* So someone is a little safer while the park's operating budget is reduced. We call that a win-win.

Way to go Santa Barbara County Parks!

**Author Jane Jacobs
The Death and Life of Great American Cities.*

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