Community Participation Program 2013-14 Annual Report

Neighborhood Organization: Tangletown Neighborhood Association

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1. Stakeholder Involvement

Reviewing your CPP activities in 2013-14, Please provide information about:

- What outreach and engagement activities did you carry out in 2013-14?
 - 1. Annual meeting which featured guest speakers and refreshments
 - 2. Annual Fourth of July Parade and Festival at Fuller Park which enjoys over 500 attendees
 - 3. The Tangletown Newsletter which is published three times each year, E-news reminders to almost 500 members of events
 - 4. The annual Tangletown Garage Sale with approximately 50 households involved each year,
 - 5. Work toward establishing the Lyndale Avenue and 54th Street special services district partnering with businesses, encouraging neighborhood investment. This effort teams four area neighborhood associations and their funding to establish the SSD.
 - 6. Expanded our Facebook participation.
- How did you reach out to and involve under-represented communities in 2013-14?

TNA worked with four other neighborhood associations and partnered with businesses to establish the Lyndale Avenue and 54th Street special project and encouraged neighborhood investment as well.

• Did you find any strategies to be particularly successful? Why?

The 4th of July Event was very successful – there were a variety of activities to engage families – music, food, games, and prize giveaways.

• What did not work so well? Why?

The Halloween Walk in 2014 was poorly attended compared to the previous years, most likely because of poor weather and the day of the week.

• How many people did you reach through direct contact (door knocking, meetings, one-on-ones, etc.)?

We reached out to around 150 people through direct contact by door knocking, meetings, one-on-ones, and brainstorming meetings.

• How many individuals volunteered in organization activities?

Around 50 people volunteered at all the activities. This included:

- 15 board members
- 10+ Venders at Green Day
- 33 volunteers for 4th of July
- How many individuals participated in your organization's activities?

700 people participated in our organization's activities. This included:

- 500 4th of July
- 60 Garage sale
- 30+ TNA annual meeting
- 30 TNA monthly meeting attendees
- How many people receive your print publications?

Around 4,000 people receive our print publications.

• How many people receive your electronic communications?

About 650 people receive our electronic communications.

2. 2013-14 Highlights

Please describe one or two major highlights, and if possible, please include digital photos or illustrations:

- What was the issue or opportunity the neighborhood was facing?
- Who was impacted?
- What steps did you take to address the issue or opportunity?
- What was the outcome?

4th of July Event

Description – Annual 4th of July parade and festival for families to come together to enjoy food, music, and fun. Fundraiser for Tangletown Neighborhood Association.

- Opportunity Celebration of neighborhood connection and involvement – bring the neighborhood together
- Impacted Residents of Tangletown Neighborhood and the area, as well as local businesses.
- Steps The event involves many volunteer hours led primarily by TNA board members to organize the event.
- Outcome at least 500 residents participated in the parade and festival.

Additional Highlights

- Tangletown newsletter published3 times annually
- Tangletown Garage Sale which features about 50-60 households each year
- Annual holiday party
- Green Day sustainability event

3. 2013-14 Accomplishments

Please provide information about your other accomplishments in 2013-14:

- What were your organization's major accomplishments?
- How were individuals in your community directly impacted by your work?
 - Annual meeting featured guest speakers and refreshments
 - Annual Fourth of July Parade and Festival at Fuller Park with over 500 people
 - The Tangletown Newsletter that is published three times each year, E-news reminders to almost 500 members of events
 - The annual Tangletown Garage Sale with approximately 50 households involved each year
 - The business façade improvement program.
 - Expanded our Facebook participation to 160.
 - Funded Fuller Park building improvements.
 - Annual holiday party
 - Green Day sustainability event

4. Housing

What percentage of time did your organization spend on housing-related activities?

3% at most – hearing variance requests from residents and reviewing developer housing plans.

5. Financial Reports

Please provide an income and expense report for your organization for the year. (Please include all funding sources).

See Attached

In addition to your annual report, please take time to describe your interactions with City departments and other jurisdictions.

1. Impact

What interactions with City departments occupied a major part of your time? What worked well? What could be improved?

Attempting to understand our contracts and when things had been paid out and what money we actually had left in our contracts. A more realtime way to monitor how the money moves would be helpful.

On a scale of 1 to5, with 1 being poor and 5 being excellent, how would you rate your overall experience with your interactions with the City? 3

2. City Communications – effectiveness Is the information that you receive from the City understandable and useful?

Not always.

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3. City Communications – timeliness

Do you receive adequate notice of City activities in your neighborhood? If not, did your organization inform somebody at the City of this? Did the City respond in a positive manner? Please explain.

Yes, on general communications.

On a scale of 1 to 5, with 1 being poor and 5 being excellent, how would you rate the timeliness of communications from the City? $__5$

4. City Departments

How can City departments improve the way in which they function in your neighborhood?

Take note of when our neighborhood is having a special event and try to navigate their projects around those few days.

5. City Assistance

How can the Neighborhood and Community Relations Department improve the assistance it provides to your organization as a community participation group?

TNA would find it beneficial to have a quarterly presentation of CPP plans, news, budget understanding, Q&A, and other topics as they arise. We have found that more frequent engagement with representatives from CPP directly, as a Board we are more confident and as a neighborhood we are more invested in participation.

On a scale of 1 to5, with 1 being poor and 5 being excellent, how would you rate the assistance provided to your neighborhood by NCR? _____

6. Other comments?