



Community Participation Program
Neighborhood Organization
2015 Annual Report

Neighborhood Organization Information - *please confirm*

NEIGHBORHOOD ORGANIZATION

Kenny Neighborhood Organization

ORGANIZATIONAL INFORMATION

Neighborhood Organization

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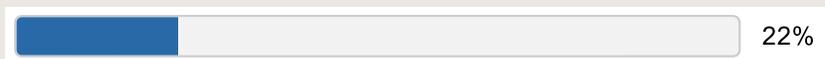
DATE OF BOARD APPROVAL

Once your board has reviewed this draft annual report, please provide the date of the meeting at which the board approved submission of this report to NCR. **Note:** *Meeting minutes may be requested by NCR.*

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Date / Time

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Stakeholder Involvement - *basic outreach & engagement*

WHICH OF THE FOLLOWING OUTREACH ACTIVITIES DID YOUR ORGANIZATION USE IN 2015?

MEETINGS (please check all that apply)

- Held regular committee meetings or discussion groups that are open to all stakeholders.
- Held at least one general membership or community meeting (in addition to the annual meeting) to gather input from residents and other stakeholders for a neighborhood specific initiative.
- Hosted at least one general membership or committee meeting in response to a City request for input - such as a development proposal, transit planning or public works project.
- Conducted one or more focus groups.

What more would you like to tell NCR or the community about your meetings?

What are you doing that is new or particularly successful to involve residents and others?

At the KNA Annual Meeting in April, we had small groups that generated potential priorities for our three new committees: Beautification and Green Space, Community Engagement and Transportation and Traffic. When then held follow-up meetings, in conjunction with our monthly meetings, for each of the three areas to start determining the feasibility of the priorities and which ones we could reasonably accomplish.

DOOR-TO-DOOR (please check all that apply)

Door-Knocking or Dropping Flyers Door-to-Door

- At least once with goal of reaching a portion of neighborhood.
- At least once with goal of reaching most or all of neighborhood.
- For more than one issue/outreach effort.
- On a routine basis.

Door-Knocking/Flyering

- Was carried out primarily by staff
- Was carried out primarily by volunteers

Door-Knocking/Flyering

- Was carried out primarily to increase membership and participation
- Was carried out primarily to gather input on a specific city or neighborhood issue
- Was carried out primarily to inform stakeholders of a city or neighborhood issue

Approximately how many households did your organization reach through door-knocking in 2015?

*What more would you like to tell NCR or the community about your door-to-door outreach?
What are you doing that is new or particularly successful to involve residents and others?*

EVENTS (please check all that apply)

- Staffed a booth or table at neighborhood event or other community event that included sign-up sheets, surveys or information about your organization.
- Organized one or more issue specific event (such as a safety forum, housing fair, Open Streets, Creative Citymaking, etc).
- Organized smaller events for specific outreach to target audiences (e.g., sidewalk tabling to reach renters, lemonade stands, tabling at Farmer's Market, etc.)

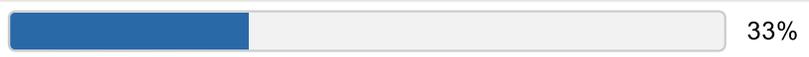
What more would you like to tell NCR or the community about your events?
What are you doing that is new or particularly successful to involve residents and others?

We attended the Southwest Housing Fair in order to promote the new, unique housing loan program sponsored by four neighborhood organizations.

OTHER (please check all that apply)

- Conducted at least one community-wide survey (such as a random sample or all-household survey).
- Conducted another form of survey (e.g., intercept survey).
- Developed partnerships with cultural, religious, professional or business associations to expand outreach into under-represented populations.
- Distributed a quarterly or semi-annual newsletter to all households.
- Other activities (please describe here):

KNA has initiated an effort to identify small groups already existing within the neighborhood (e.g. running group, garden club, babysitter co-op) in order to begin outreach and connect neighbors at an interpersonal level.



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Stakeholder Involvement - *information & communication*

HOW DID YOU INFORM THE COMMUNITY OF DISCUSSIONS, DECISIONS AND THE STATUS OF THE ORGANIZATION?

BOARD MEETINGS (please check all that apply)

- Board meeting minutes and financial reports and summaries are provided on the organization’s website and kept current.
- Meeting agendas and minutes are easily available and posted on the organization’s website before and after each meeting.
- Meeting notices and agendas are distributed to members prior to each meeting with ample notice.
- Time is allowed at board meetings for stakeholders to ask questions or raise issues.

How many new board members were elected/appointed to your board this year?

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What more would you like to tell NCR or the community about your board meetings?

What are you doing that is new or particularly successful to involve residents and others?

We have added a “Community Comments and Concerns” time at the very beginning of the meeting in order to invite residents to express their thoughts and be heard immediately rather than waiting until the end of the meeting.

COMMITTEE MEETINGS AND GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETINGS (please check all that apply)

- Meeting agendas and minutes are easily available and posted on the organization's website before and after each meeting.
- Affected residents and other stakeholders are contacted prior to an issue being discussed at a committee meeting.
- Meeting notices and agendas are distributed to members prior to each meeting with ample notice.

Other (please specify)

What more would you like to tell NCR or the community about your regular meetings?

What are you doing that is new or particularly successful to involve residents and others?

SPECIFIC ISSUES

- Affected and interested stakeholders are notified and involved in your organization's decision-making process.

ORGANIZATIONAL INFORMATION (please check all that apply)

- An annual report is available to all residents on the organization's website.
- The organization's bylaws, grievance procedures, meeting schedules and contact information are easily available on the organization's website and through other means.

OTHER (please check all that apply)

- Our community events and meetings are regularly advertised in community newspapers.
- We use social media (such as e-democracy or Facebook) to share information.
- We share city news and information on our organization's website or through email, social media or other means.

What more would you like to tell NCR or the community about participation in your organization?

What are you doing that is new or particularly successful to involve residents and others?

We have made every effort to notify under-represented groups through our newsletter and postcards about meetings and events.

As the demographics of Kenny skew younger, we find that social media is an increasingly effective way to reach people in a short time. However, the paper newsletter continues to be our most valued source of communication.



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2015 Highlights

PLEASE DESCRIBE ONE OR TWO MAJOR HIGHLIGHTS

- 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?

MAJOR HIGHLIGHT #1

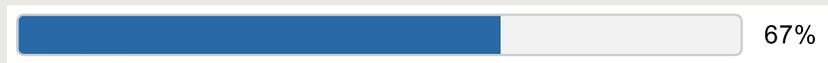
We have changed the philosophy and structure of our annual summer festival. We now hold the festival on a weeknight, have made all events and activities free of charge and provided low-cost and healthy food options.

MAJOR HIGHLIGHT #2

As part of our festival, and in response to neighborhood feedback, we added a neighborhood kickball tournament to our festival. This was very well received and gave neighbors a chance to interact as they formed teams, played other teams and watched the games. We will plan to expand this as interest grows.

We'd love to share your highlights with others.

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