



Community Participation Program
Neighborhood Organization
2015 Annual Report

Neighborhood Organization Information - please confirm

NEIGHBORHOOD ORGANIZATION

St Anthony East Neighborhood Association

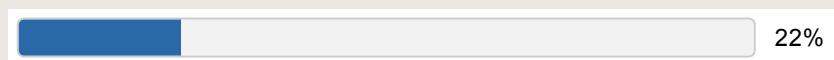
ORGANIZATIONAL INFORMATION

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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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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?

Get connected to what is going on in St. Anthony East at "Community Meetings". Every month (the 4th Monday) SAENA hosts either a "Community" meeting or a "Board" meeting. Community meetings include discussion on neighborhood topics and issues, while Board meetings are generally reserved for organizational actions. Both are open to the public!

All meetings take place at 7 PM at Clare Apartments, located at 929 Central Ave NE just south of the Vegas Lounge.

We advertise for our meetings in our mailings, on our website, and on Facebook. The best response we've gotten was when we went out a flier before the November Community Meeting and the topic was composting. We had a very large crowd that night.

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?

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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?

We are working on a more cohesive door knocking plan for 2016. The board was without a consistent staff member for most of 2015 and outreach went on the back burner. However, since I've come into this position in late-September, we have put out consistent mailings about events and happenings in the neighborhood. We have dates on the calendar for May and June that volunteers from the board have committed to.

Also, SAE has quite a few high-rises and we have connected with building managers about the ability of host mini-community meetings in each building since there are quite a few elderly and disabled people who have issues coming to meetings regularly.

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.)

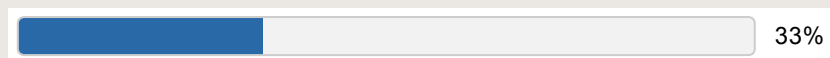
What more would you like to tell NCR or the community about your events?

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

We will be holding several events in Community Commons Park in these warmer months. On the docket is the Ice Cream Social on June 11 and later in the summer there will be a Park Fundraiser and Celebration that is in the works.

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):



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Stakeholder Involvement - *under-represented groups*

HOW DID YOUR ORGANIZATION REACH OUT TO UNDER-REPRESENTED GROUPS IN YOUR NEIGHBORHOOD? (please check all that apply)

- Worked on an issue of particular interest to an under-represented group within the neighborhood.
- Provided notices of annual and special meetings in multiple languages.
- Provided newsletter articles or web pages in multiple languages.
- Targeted outreach in apartment buildings or blocks to reach renters.
- Targeted tabling at other events or locations (such as farmers markets, cultural events, etc.).
- Held focus groups or open meeting formats for under-represented communities.
- Met with other agencies in the community that work closely with under-represented constituencies in the neighborhood.
- Included an Americans with Disabilities Act statement on meeting and event notices.
- Reviewed participation activities, and identified new leaders and volunteers for volunteer, committee and board participation.
- Held one-time/pop up events in areas of the neighborhood that don't often have neighborhood meetings
- Other activities (please describe here):

What more would you like to tell NCR or the community about your outreach to under-represented groups?

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

We would like to continue to work with NCR on doing targeted outreach to the Latino and African American populations in our neighborhood. The end goal is the recruit to have a representative board.



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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 our elections on June 27. I'm hoping we can set up a new board member training through NCR for our 5 oncoming board members.

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?

We currently do not function in a committee structure but are working to build one.

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?



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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

Major Highlight #1: There was a resident who did not quite qualify for a home repair loan so GMHC contacted the board to review the case and provide a vote in order to consider this individual. Through careful review of the case and thoughtful discussion, SAENA ruled the individual was able to access the home loan.

Major Highlight #2: Bicycle Rack Funding Assistance
SAENA is committed to carrying out work dedicated to issues we identified in the Small Area Plan. This year, we initiated a program in which funds were offered to businesses at Monroe & Spring. Two out of three businesses will be taking advantage of the program and will install bicycle racks for their patrons in order to promote wellness and diversified transportation to the area.

Major Highlight #3: Summer Event Series
SAENA hosts several events in the summertime to connect with residents. The season kick-off is the Plant Give-Away which occurs the Saturday before Mother's Day. Our board buys and gives away \$1,000 worth of plants, encouraging neighbors to take pride and beautify our neighborhood. Secondly, SAENA hosts an annual Ice Cream Social in Community Commons Park. It's a chance for neighbors to gather in one of the neighborhood's treasures and engage with each other.

MAJOR HIGHLIGHT #2

Major Highlight #4: Summer Street Garden

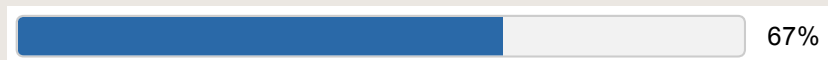
Every year SAENA's organizes residents to utilize the Summer Street Garden which is located next to Community Commons Park. The goal is to keep it a low-cost option and accessible for all residents who are interested in participating. The garden is a space where people of varying levels of experience, background, and status can come and work alongside each other. We have good success with retention as it is a joyous experience for our residents.

Major Highlight #5: Emerald Ash Borer Treatment

St. Anthony East NA chose to treat 34 Elm trees in 2014 to preserve them from the Emerald Ash Borer. It was a preventative measure to ensure our trees remain in Community Commons Park and avoid a cost that could easily exceed \$30,000.

We'd love to share your highlights with others.

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