

## Neighborhood Organization Information

### 1. NEIGHBORHOOD ORGANIZATION

#### **Beltrami Neighborhood Council**

### 2. ORGANIZATIONAL INFORMATION

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### 3. 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.

**3/6/2017**

# 2016 CPP Annual Report

## Stakeholder Involvement - Basic Outreach & Engagement

### WHICH OF THE FOLLOWING OUTREACH ACTIVITIES DID YOUR ORGANIZATION USE IN 2016?

#### 4. 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.

#### 5. 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.

#### 6. Door-Knocking/Flyering

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

## 7. Door-Knocking/Flyering

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

## 8. Approximately how many households did your organization reach through door-knocking in 2016?

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## 9. 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.)

## 10. 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):

11. Please provide an estimate of volunteer hours provided to your organization in 2016

1,800

12. 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):

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

The BNC hosted a membership meeting in April of 2016 during which Bylaw revisions & neighborhood priority plans were presented and voted on and board elections were held. The BNC hosted a second annual meeting in September, in response to the revised Bylaws calling for a meeting in September.

Additionally, the BNC hosted regular committee meetings (Housing & Livability, Park & Recreation, Events and Environment), a meeting regarding the design of the proposed picnic pavilion, and two meetings about proposed development. All of our meetings are open to the public and we extend invitations on how to get involved.

Door-knocking is our most successful outreach tool in reaching otherwise hard to reach residents. Our relationships with many volunteers and board members started with a doorstep conversation.

We strive to knock on all doors each year and also visit segments of the neighborhood for specific issues. For example, we door knock nearby properties when having a meeting about a development. We also door-knock multi-family buildings to reach renters.

The BNC hosted a number of events in 2016, with the primary focus being on community engagement: BeltramiSCARE (Halloween event), Earth Day clean-up, Beltrami Art Park, Beltrami Ninja Warrior, Summer Festival, Renters Rights & Responsibilities Clinic, Health Care Enrollment, and Harvest Celebration at the Community Garden.

BeltramiSCARE, Renters Rights Clinic, and the Healthcare Enrollment event provided an opportunity to engage with populations we don't necessarily see at our other events or meetings. We hope to continue to diversify our events to reach more renters, younger residents without families, and people of color.

With support from the Minneapolis Renters Coalition, Beltrami has been able to commit staff time to door-knocking multi-family properties and work on building relationship with tenants. We have focused on one property in 2016 but hope to expand our attention to several multi-family properties in 2017.

We door-knocked all households (500) at least once. Several households saw repeat visits as we door-knocked for specific issues.

## Neighborhood Priorities

### PLEASE DESCRIBE ANY NEW PRIORITIES YOU HAVE APPROVED.

In 2016, the BNC approved three new neighborhood priorities:

1. Construction of picnic pavilion in Beltrami Park
2. Supplemental programming dollars for Beltrami Park recreation
3. Crime prevention and livability: home security grant, block club development, safety education series, etc.

# 2016 CPP Annual Report

## 2016 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?

### 15. MAJOR HIGHLIGHT #1

In response to the neighborhood's desire for investment in Beltrami Park, the BNC conducted a comprehensive community engagement process to solicit ideas for and priorities of Beltrami Park improvements. Through surveys, park interceptions, listening sessions, and meetings, the BNC identified three main priorities: 1) addition of a covered shelter, 2) enhanced lighting, and 3) pool improvements.

The BNC worked to develop a partnership with the Minneapolis Park & Recreation Board (MPRB) and began collaborating on a covered shelter project. Together, the BNC and MPRB built a partnership with expert timber framer, Clark Bremer, and Spark-Y and developed a project concept. In winter of 2016, the BNC was awarded a matching-grant from the U.S. Bank Places to Play program to construct a custom designed timber-framed picnic pavilion.

During the summer months, volunteers, Spark-Y interns, Clark, MPRB, and the BNC constructed the pavilion. The Beltrami community was involved in every step of the way, from carving the timbers to bringing food for the volunteers. In the fall of 2016, the BNC celebrated the completion of the gorgeous timber framed pavilion in Beltrami Park.

The project was possible through partnerships with U.S. Bank/MN Vikings Places to Play, Minneapolis Park & Recreation Board (MPRB), Spark-Y Youth Action Labs, Clark Bremer, and Building Restoration Corporation. This resident-led project is a testimonial to what's possible when a community comes together to make a dream come true.

### 16. MAJOR HIGHLIGHT #2

For the second year in a row, we hosted Beltrami Ninja Warrior. Featuring a past contestant of the TV show "American Ninja Warrior" and Beltrami resident, Theo Canning, the event draws a crowd of active and enthusiastic children willing to compete for the fastest obstacle course time. Our resident Ninja leads children through an

obstacle course, composed mainly of park equipment, and those with the fastest times in each age category are declared Beltrami Ninja Warriors. This event is always a hit because it showcases a talented resident, highlights the features of Beltrami Park, and supports youth fitness.