

Neighborhood Organization Information

1. NEIGHBORHOOD ORGANIZATION

Linden Hills 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.

3/7/2017

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?
0
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

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 underrepresented 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? LHiNC co-hosted with CM Linea Palmisano a community meeting regarding turnaround at the trolley right-of-way between Upton and Xerxes Aves. LHiNC's newsletter is delivered by paid youth groups.

The LHiNC booth at the Linden Hills Festival allows LHiNC to talk about the organization and sign people up for committees. Also the October Taste of Linden Hills event allowed LHiNC to

share information about its mission and work for the neighborhood.

12. How did your organization reach out to under-represented groups in your neighborhood? (Please check

LHiNC hosted two Town Hall Forums to connect residents with elected officials and local and regional governing bodies, and also hosted an educational Pollinator-Friendly Raingarden Workshop.

3,500 households were reached through hand-delivery of our bi-monthly newsletter. LHiNC hand-delivers its bimonthly newsletter to apartment buildings.

The LHiNC Communications Committee has been tasked with targeting neighborhood renters and increasing the participation of this under-represented group.

The LHiNC Communications Committee is working to update the LHiNC welcome packet for new residents and make enhancements to its web and print communications to reach a broader audience, with a goal of increasing participation and interest.

Neighborhood Priorities

PLEASE DESCRIBE ANY NEW PRIORITIES YOU HAVE APPROVED.

Based on neighborhood survey data, LHiNC approved spending an additional \$1,500 to fund the planting of new trees at Linden Hills Park to satisfy the NPP requirement for the 2014-16 cycle.

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

The demolition of smaller/older homes to make way for new, larger homes is an ongoing issue in the Linden Hills neighborhood. A community member brought the idea to LHiNC to host a Little Homes Tour, with a goal of featuring the benefits of maintaining and adapting existing housing stock, and promoting creative ways to make smaller homes more livable. In June, 2016, the Little Homes Tour became a reality thanks to the work of LHiNC board members and a number of homeowners who agreed to open their homes to their neighbors. The tour was free and open to all, and featured eight Linden Hills homes, of 2,000 square feet or less. Hundreds of visitors toured the homes and spoke with the homeowners about their design and building concepts. The tour was both fun and educational and brought community members out to visit with other residents on a day that felt like a celebration of the Linden Hills neighborhood.

16. MAJOR HIGHLIGHT #2

The Linden Hills Neighborhood Council has a history of issuing grants twice per year to organizations or projects that make positive contributions to the neighborhood and make our community a better place to live and work. Faced with budget constraints, LHiNC made the decision to organize a fundraiser for purpose of raising money to fund the grant program. Taste of Linden Hills was the highly successful result, which brought together community residents, neighborhood restaurants, local musicians, with the help of student volunteers and LHiNC board members for a festive gathering. The evening allowed LHiNC the opportunity to promote its mission and work for the neighborhood, and it raised significant funds to support the LHiNC grant program. LHiNC plans to continue Taste of Linden Hills as an annual event.