

**1. NEIGHBORHOOD ORGANIZATION**

**Citizens for a Loring Park Community**

**2. ORGANIZATIONAL INFORMATION**

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**3. ORGANIZATION WEBSITE AND SOCIAL MEDIA**

Website: [LoringPark.org](http://LoringPark.org)  
Facebook: [Citizens for a Loring Park Community](#)  
Twitter: [NA](#)  
Other: [NA](#)

**4. 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.

**04/06/2018**

# Community Participation Program

## WHICH OF THE FOLLOWING OUTREACH ACTIVITIES DID YOUR ORGANIZATION USE IN 2017?

5. **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

6. **DOOR-TO-DOOR** (please check all that apply)

Door-Knocking (with goal of face-to-face engagement)

- At least once reaching a portion of neighborhood
- At least once reaching most or all of the neighborhood
- For more than one issue/outreach effort
- On a routine basis
- Conducted primarily by staff members
- Conducted primarily by volunteers
- Carried out primarily to increase membership and participation
- Carried out primarily to gather input or inform on a specific city or neighborhood issue

7. **Approximately how many households did you reach through DOOR-KNOCKING in 2017?**

0

8. **FLYERING** (please check all that apply)

Distributing flyers (dropping literature at doors)

- At least once reaching a portion of neighborhood
- At least once reaching most or all of the neighborhood
- Carried out primarily to inform and increase membership and participation
- Carried out primarily to gather input or inform on a specific city or neighborhood issue

9. **Approximately how many households did your organization reach through FLYERING in 2017?**

2500

10. **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.)

11. **COMMUNICATION** (please fill in all that apply)

Print a paper newsletter (If so, at what frequency?) We do a monthly E-Newsletter

Number of subscribers to your email list 2,700

Number of followers on Facebook and Twitter Combined 500-1,200

12. **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

**Other activities** (please describe here):

Interactive activities at events; we issue organize and get input on issues. At Events new ideas are brainstormed.

13. **Please provide an estimate of VOLUNTEER HOURS provided to your organization in 2017**

4910

**14. 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):

National Night Out & Street Community Gatherings with Mad Dads; ReDevelopment proposals brought in over 100 new people throughout the year. Crime issues and gunfire brought in 40-60 at a monthly Safety Coalition meeting.

**15. 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?**

Each one, Reach one Some buildings putting Meeting & Event flyers at every door and some buildings putting CLPC info in their monthly building newsletters. We have 4 huge developments going on - over 1,000 total units being built. The word spreads person to person when an issue impacts someone's sense of place. Additionally, the Comp Plan 2040 is challenging the existence of our neighborhood with its context, affordability, and character. Posting a meeting and getting info into every building draws a lot of folks out. We host a 'Neighborhood Front Porch' at citywide events held at Loring Park. We get a lot of folks out. We have great working relationships with 60% of rental buildings, all condos, all churches, and majority of small businesses in the neighborhood. We have 2 Committees, 1 Coalition, 2 Task forces, 9 Annual Events, 2-4 pop up events and held 2 Neighborhood Wide National Night Out parties. We are working with MNDOT and Lowry Hill neighborhood on our CIF program which is structuring a sustainable model to keep HN Lyndale Public Improvements & Plantings maintained, watered, planted & managed.

All property owners on the corridor are a part of this effort. We partner with the Downtown Council on Events and with the Downtown Improvement District on innovative solutions to enhancing safety. We partner with Stevens Square and the Downtown Neighborhoods on city wide issues.

# Community Participation Program

## PLEASE DESCRIBE ONE OR TWO MAJOR HIGHLIGHTS

Consider the following when describing each highlight:

- 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?

### 17. **MAJOR HIGHLIGHT #1**

HN Lyndale Public Improvement Project. Reports are written and on file at your office. It is CIF funded.

Another initiative was the creation of the 'Solutions to Encampments Coalition'.

An encampment grew under the HN Lyndale bridge leading to an assault of a young woman played out live in Facebook. Then an individual passed out and rolled into 10 lanes of traffic. CLPC organized a coalition of faith based organizations, St Stephens Social Service & Street Outreach, Downtown Congregations to end Homelessness, HN County Outreach, HN County Medical Center, American Indian Housing, Detox, City Attorney, County Attorney, MNDOT (5 Depts), Mpls Public Works, Lowry Hill neighborhood, Kenwood Neighborhood, 1st & 5th Precinct, Ward 7 Councilmember & Aide, Rep Karen Clark, Rep Frank Hornstein, HN County Commissioner & Policy Aide, the Dignity Center and 1-2 Reps from every adjacent Condo/Rental Building. Steve Cramer facilitated one meeting and CLPC Coordinator facilitated two meetings. 65 in attendance.

Workgroups were formed on:

- Immediate Action for Safety of Encampment participants / no assaults.
- Workgroup on Panhandling issues; Develop Campaign for folks to donate to more permanent solutions.
- Long Term Strategies - Housing needed & identify gaps in services
- Legislative Workgroup to pursue needed resources.

Outcome: Michael Goze, CEO of American Indian Housing Corp & St Stephens Street Outreach held the key. They both funded additional outreach, Michael culturally specific outreach and talked to folks - built relationships - found out what folks needed and created a sustainable solution as a pilot project in the Phillips Neighborhood.

The coalition will gather now Spring & Fall to network, share resources and and new policies, and to problem solve/find resources.

### 18. **MAJOR HIGHLIGHT #2**

Nicollet Ave Safety Coalition - 40-60 regular attendees to include property owners, businesses, churches, organizations, block leaders (we host a training 1x per year with MPD), city/county staff and service providers.

Purpose is to Enhance Safety & Reduce Crime.

- Results: 1 mobile camera x DID
- 1 mobile camera x Public Works
- 1 mobile camera x Eat Street Service District
- Pilot Project for DID Ambassadors to walk our stretch of Nicollet
- Upgraded Trash Containers x Eat Street Service District
- Art on Utility boxes x MCAD
- Dedicated Beat Cop x MPD
- Downtown Patrol District created by Minneapolis Park Police
- Hosted 3 Meet & Greets at Nicollet Diner between Police/city/county staff & Community
- Organized 2 street events - A Spring Fling and a National Night Out party at the VOA apt complex/1350 Nicollet
- Held 12 monthly meetings
- Supported and worked with St Stephens Street Outreach, City Attorney & HOMES Court
- Followed felony level & gun crimes thru the court system supporting victimized businesses and impacted community.
- CPP/SAFE held personal safety trainings for business employees following gunfire which blew out their windows and had them scrambling to the ground
- CPP/SAFE did premise surveys of Apts, businesses and proposed new developments for safety thru environmental design.
- Promoted business & organization events thru the monthly newsletter Got Public Works to clean & sweep the 'Meter Farm' weekly.