

City of Minneapolis

Request for Committee Action

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Subject:
2015 Neighborhood Programs Annual Report

Description:
Receiving consolidated report on neighborhood program activities in 2015.

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Background/Analysis:
The City of Minneapolis provides funding and support to seventy recognized neighborhood organizations representing eighty-five distinct residential neighborhoods. More than seven hundred volunteers serve as volunteer board members on neighborhood organization boards. Thousands of residents participated in neighborhood sponsored events, projects and initiatives throughout the year.

In 2015, \$6,842,050 was expended through Community Participation Program (CPP) and Neighborhood Revitalization Program (NRP) contracts. Neighborhood organizations use CPP and NRP funds to reach and organize residents and act on neighborhood identified priorities.

NCR asked neighborhood organizations to report on their 2015 activities to reach under-represented communities, communicate with residents, host meetings and events, and work on the neighborhood priorities. This consolidated report summarizes the work and accomplishments of the funded neighborhood organizations in 2015, including the following highlights:

- Eighty-eight percent of neighborhood organizations reported organizing events targeted to **reach under-represented populations:**
 - Sixty-four percent met with other agencies that assist them with outreach to underrepresented community members
 - Sixty-three percent worked on an **issue that is of particular interest to an under-represented** group in the neighborhood.
 - Fifty-eight percent did targeted **outreach to renters in apartment buildings.**

- Seventy-three percent held meetings to **gather input for a specific City of Minneapolis project or effort.**
- Eighty-eight percent held meetings to **gather input for neighborhood initiatives.**
- Neighborhood volunteers and staff reached nearly **forty-thousand households** through door-to-door outreach.
- Ninety-six percent of neighborhoods **host booths and tables at community events** such as Art Fairs, Open Streets, Seasonal Festivals, etc.
- Sixty-seven percent of neighborhoods report they **distribute a newsletter to all households** in their area (varies in frequency and delivery type).
- Eighty-eight percent provide **time at board meetings for community members** and stakeholders to ask questions or raise issues. Eighty-five percent of neighborhoods distribute meeting notices and agendas prior to meetings **with ample notice.**
- Ninety-seven percent of neighborhood organizations **share City of Minneapolis news** on their web-sites and via email, social media, and ninety percent of neighborhoods report that **affected and interested stakeholders are notified and involved in the decision making process.**

Each section below includes photographs provided by neighborhood organizations, and examples that illustrate their accomplishments using their own words.

Financial Review:

No financial impact.

Attachments:

1. 2015 Neighborhood Programs Annual Report