



New Bern Housing Authority and the City of New Bern

CHOICE NEIGHBORHOODS PLANNING GRANT

Trent Court/Craven Terrace/Greater Five Points Neighborhood

Public Safety Working Group

Wednesday, April 15 at 5 pm

Mall Substation, New Bern Police Department

Meeting Minutes

Attendees: Mickey Miller, Martin Blaney, Sergeant Todd Conway (facilitator), Sergeant Doug Ipock, Captain John West, Sergeant Paul Brown, Chief Toussaint Summers, Cheryl Reed, Grace Hudson, Shelton Brown, Antonio Brown, Seana Spicer, Sandi Wheeler, Alison Dunn

Handouts: Agenda, Sign in Sheet

Initial Discussion:

- Sgt. Conway reviewed minutes from the last CNI meeting and moved on to addressing the matrix items.

Discussion of Possible Goals / Strategies:

- The New Bern Police Department is working under a new deployment (Team -5 Approach) that will allow more community involvement with the Choice community. Residents will get to know police and there will be more interaction.
- Faith Based initiative to help community involvement. NBPD has list of faith leaders and has invited them to community events.
- Cheryl Reed - Throwing litter out because they see others do it, working on kids to clean up the areas they live in and the community surrounding theirs. Make it fun.
- NBPD working with club owners to help improve late-night issues.
- Reducing issues relating to public housing lawn care contractor drinking alcohol while working in the housing areas
- Grace Hudson - discussed youth need other activities beyond sports activities.
- Paul Brown talked about the Police Explorer Program currently doing a recruiting campaign.
- Discussion of pairing down Goal # 2. Do we still want to keep a strategy involving landlord accountability? Consensus was yes.
- Increase community involvement to participate in this task force.
- Talked about the June 4th Choice Community Day – primarily information event with food and entertainment. Each working group will present their strategies and actively engage residents to get validation and feedback.

Next Steps: Need to work on our metrics and hone down strategies. Information or representatives needed for next meeting ?

Next meeting: Wed. May 6 at 4 pm at the New Bern Police Department
CNI Consultants from EJP & Goody Clancy will attend

Outcomes	Metrics	Strategies	Partners
Goal 1:			
Build a Safer Community through citizen involvement	Number of partners in Natl Night Out Number of attendees at different events?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Building Trust Relationships through classes, training, presentation to help citizens understand how to work with police • Implementing portions of the Five Point Cares Sexual Assault Education program. • NAACP working on community forums and participating in a community on patrol initiative • Explore a Community Covenant • “Coffee With A Cop” – expand program to build trust • Five Points Cares Sexual Assault education program • Community Clean-up events • Pledge cards – door-to-door? 	Citizens NAACP Parks & Rec Trent Court, Craven Terrace, Promise Place Communities
Goal 2:			
Change the external perception of the community	How to measure?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Community Clean-up events • Seed Ministries are doing projects for clean-up • Expose external citizens to the community • Strengthen ordinances to hold the landlord accountable for substandard rentals? • Invite Chamber of Commerce and other organizations to have their meetings within the Greater Duffyfield Community. • Interdenominational faith-based involvement from throughout the city. • Branding campaign for the Greater Duffyfield Community • Greater Duffyfield Community going out to other neighborhoods to work on projects • Walking groups with special t-shirts to show pride in community 	Citizens Code Enforcement Officers/Nuisance Abatement Chamber of Commerce/Swiss Bear Faith Community Fire Department Citizens
Goal 3:			
Enhance police/ youth relationship	Implementing summer camps in the CNI area to facilitate youth interaction w/ minimum of 20 kids. Other metrics?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Police Athletic League, Summer Camps • Get youth involved in the various programs available to them. • Police Explorer Program recruiting campaign • Junior Police Cadet program • Additional youth recreation programs with police as mentors • Expose youth to police officers at a young age to foster long term relationships. • Implement a parent chaperone program (flesh this out?) 	Other partners? Parks & Rec?