



**NEIGHBORHOOD
ASSOCIATION**

Newsletter

REPRESENTING CLIFTON HEIGHTS • UNIVERSITY HEIGHTS • FAIRVIEW

January 2015

Next monthly meeting:

January 20, 2015

Deaconess Hospital Cafeteria,
Lower Level, Straight Street

CUF Neighborhood Association - what we did in 2014

As 2015 gets started it's a perfect time to look back on the past year and remember the many great things we accomplished together as a neighborhood association. What follows is no doubt an incomplete list of some of the things that the Clifton Heights, University Heights, Fairview Neighborhood Association accomplished in 2014:

- Planted a few thousand Crocus and other flower bulbs in Bellevue Park.
- Gathered donations for new playground equipment at Corryville Catholic Elementary School.
- Partnered with UC Health to clean up Schorr Alley.
- Provided Mutt Mitts to help keep Bellevue and Fairview parks clean.
- Sponsored the Straight Street Hill Climb, which also helps fund the Soap Box Derby.
- Coordinated with the city to help keep our neighborhood as clean as possible during UC move in/out dates.
- Planted daffodils in the St. Monica Traffic Islands.
- Partnered with the Talbert House and W. McMicken Improvement Association for a cleanup of the Straight, Tafel & McMicken Streets.
- Continued ongoing and regular dialog with city police and fire departments.
- Hosted a festive holiday party at St. Monica-St. George Parish for the

neighborhood.

- Continued upkeep of the CUF community garden.
- Provided water for many trees, plants and gardens across our beautiful neighborhood.
- As part of our beautification plan we worked with the Cincinnati Park Board to maintain 14 flower pots located throughout CUF, including changing the flowers out three times a year and watering multiple times a week.
- Worked with Gilbane Development Corp, the city and others to improve the development plans currently being considered for McMillian and Clifton Ave.
- Partnered with UCAN and OAR to spay and neuter feral cats.
- Published the CUF NA Newsletter on a monthly basis.
- Continued Citizens On Patrol Program (COPP) including meeting with police and patrolling the neighborhood once a month or more.
- Participated with city planning in review/ suggestions for new zoning codes.
- Maintained the CUF NA web site.
- Continued to serve on the Clifton Heights Community Urban Redevelopment Corporation (CHCURC) board which brings the Clifton Heights Business Association, UC and CUF NA together to discuss the revitalization of CUF.
- Hosted monthly meetings featuring topical speakers and regular discussions with local police and fire departments.
- Maintained a relationship with Hughes High School by attending regularly scheduled meetings.

Thanks to all of our volunteers for helping to make 2014 such a successful year - we look forward to continuing to move our neighborhood forward in 2015!

2015 Neighborhood Summit - save the date

The Neighborhood Summit is the annual event which brings together hundreds of community leaders and volunteers, city officials and non-profits in a day long series of seminars and workshops aimed at helping citizens work effectively together to improve the quality of life in their neighborhoods.

Follow us on Twitter: [cincysummit](#).
The 2015 Neighborhood Summit is hosted by Invest In Neighborhoods

Special thanks to PNC, Community Building Institute, Xavier University, the CDC Association of Greater Cincinnati, LISC, and the Seasongood Good Government Foundation for their support.

WHEN: Summit Kick-off Dinner March 6th
Keynote: City Manager, Harry Black

The Summit is March 7th
Keynote: Kathy Merchant, Greater Cincinnati Foundation

Opening remarks: Mayor John Cranley

WHERE: Xavier University, Cintas Center

Stay tuned for further details and follow us on Facebook at Cincinnati Neighborhood Summit

CUF NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION Financial Report December, 2014

Balance on Nov. 30, 2014: \$4,919.97

Income:
Dues \$12.00

Total income: + \$12.00

Expenses:
St. Monica holiday party \$60.00
Finney legal fees \$2,000.00

Total expenses: - \$2,060.00

Balance on Dec. 31, 2014: \$2,871.97

'CoreFour' boosts housing development in eight neighborhoods

Pilot Program Gives Funding Priority to Target Communities

The City of Cincinnati announced a new pilot program that aims to boost housing re-development in eight target neighborhoods.

The "CoreFour" program is being launched as part of the City's Notice of Funding Availability (NOFA). The NOFA is a way that any developer -- individuals, partnerships, for-profit and non-profit corporations -- can apply for City funds to create exceptional homeownership and rental projects with positive and visible impacts.

Although projects in any of the City's 52 neighborhoods are eligible for NOFA funding, projects located in CoreFour neighborhoods will receive scoring preference. CoreFour will rotate among four neighborhoods semi-annually.

The first four neighborhoods are:
Evanston
Avondale
West Price Hill
Walnut Hills

The next four will be:
Northside
Madisonville
College Hill
Westwood

"With CoreFour, we're making sure we align City funding with neighborhoods' development plans and efforts from private partners," said Oscar Bedolla, Trade and Development's Director.

The initial eight neighborhoods were selected due to their alignment with supporting ongoing development initiatives including: other City targeted resources (HUD funding, Moving Ohio Forward, Go Cincinnati, Neighborhood Enhancement Program, Neighborhood Stabilization Program, Community Development Corporations and others); PLAN Cincinnati; and Envision Cincinnati's Collective Impact Matrix.

Approximately \$4.5 million in funds will be

allocated for the 2015 Winter NOFA. Those interested in learning more about the application process should visit <http://www.cincinnati-oh.gov/community-development/>

The NOFA is designed to help achieve PLAN Cincinnati's goal of having a full spectrum of quality housing options for individuals across income groups and in all stages of life.

For detailed application information, please visit the link below:
<http://www.cincinnati-oh.gov/community-development/neighborhood-development/nofa-notice-of-funding-availability/>

New Office of Performance & Data Analytics

Cincinnati's new Office of Performance and Data Analytics is designed to boost customer service and save taxpayer money through greater accountability and improved efficiency.

Chad Kenney Jr. will lead the office as it focuses on three main objectives:

- Design and implement performance management agreements with department heads.
- Establish an Innovation Lab to address some of the City's most challenging operational and customer service issues.
- Design and establish a Citistat program, which will use data to methodically zero in on areas of underperformance and improve service throughout city government.

Mr. Kenney previously served as the Director of Baltimore's CitiStat program, a nationally recognized performance management system. He led a team in developing key performance indicators for Baltimore City, a government with an annual budget of \$3.4 billion and 15,000 employees serving 620,000 residents.

His accomplishments include helping to lead changes within the Baltimore Fire Department that are projected to save \$70 million over 10 years while increasing pay 14.5% for firefighters; increasing customers' satisfaction with Baltimore city services from 50% to 70%; and managing a survey of all 72,000 street lights to find wasted money on non-functioning lights.

Kenney also spent two years as a Teach for America Corps Member, teaching high school mathematics at a Baltimore City Public School. He holds a Bachelor of Arts degree in Mathematics and a Masters in Teaching degree from Johns Hopkins University.

Notice to Members of CUF Community Fund

The annual meeting of the CUF Community Fund will be held on Tuesday, February 24, 2014 at 7:00pm. in the cafeteria annex of Deaconess Hospital.

The agenda for the meeting is to review and approve the minutes of the Funds February 2014 annual meeting, vote to elect two members to the Board of Trustees, review the 2014 financial report of the Fund and discuss issues pertaining to the Fund. Copies of the minutes and the Fund's 2014 financial report will be distributed to all members attending the meeting.

CUF Community Fund Membership Requirements:

To be a Member of the CUF Community Fund, one must be a paid member of the Clifton Heights, University Heights and Fairview Neighborhood Association (CUF) for twenty four months prior to the annual meeting of the Members and must be a permanent resident residing within Clifton Heights, University Heights or Fairview as designated in the by-laws of the CUF Neighborhood Association, Inc., or its successor organization. A permanent resident is defined as one residing year round within the CUF community for at least four consecutive years (48 months) immediately preceding the consideration of Member status. The burden of satisfying the requirement of permanent residency is upon the individual seeking to be a Member.

Personal invitations will be mailed to individuals that satisfy the first requirement for membership. (Paid member of (CUF) for twenty four months prior to the annual meeting). Invitations will designate which individuals will need to provide proof of permanent residency.

The members of the Board of the CUF Community Fund wish to extend to all members of the CUF community a happy, healthy, safe and prosperous New Year.

Sincerely,
Dennis O'Brien, President
Linda Ziegler, Treasurer
Secretary, Cynthia Lewis
Vice President, Craig Lloyd
Vice President, Maureen France



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CUF membership



Any person subscribing to the purpose of the CUF Neighborhood Association, Inc. and paying dues set by the Association may become a member. Election of Trustees is held at the annual meeting in July. Eligible voters are residents of the community who are at least 18 years of age and who are fully paid members of the Association and who have attended three general meetings after payment of dues during the year prior to the annual meeting. Non-resident members have voice but no vote in Association meetings and may not hold elective office. Annual CUF dues are \$6.00.

- CUF general meetings: 3rd Tuesday of each month, except August and December, 7:30 p.m, Deaconess Hospital Cafeteria, 311 Straight Street
- CUF Trustee meetings: 1st Tuesday of each month, 7:00 p.m, Deaconess Hospital Cafeteria, 311 Straight Street
- CUF annual meeting and election: 3rd Tuesday in July, 7:30 pm, Deaconess Hospital Cafeteria, 311 Straight Street

CUF Neighborhood Association
2364 West McMicken Avenue
Cincinnati, Ohio 45214

Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone: () _____

Email: _____

Membership Type:

Voting Membership: CUF resident _____

Non-voting Membership: _____

CUF organization: _____

CUF business owner: _____

Non-resident: _____

Non-resident property owner: _____

Membership fee: \$6.00 per year.
Make checks payable to CUFNA.

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