

Central Northeast Neighbors (CNN) is a 501(c) 3 community based nonprofit coalition of nine Neighborhood Associations and organizations. Including Beaumont Wilshire, Cully, Grant Park, Hollywood, Madison South, Rose City Park, Roseway, Sumner, Sunderland and Dignity Village. Our CNN Board of Directors is made up of volunteer representatives from each.

CNN provides support and technical assistance to volunteer based Neighborhood Associations and Dignity Village, Community Groups, Business Associations and individuals. CNN coalition acts as a forum to support and strengthen communities to take action on issues they identify. We support community driven activities that contribute to livability, inclusiveness, equity, diversity, safety, and housing.

Grant Purposes

The purpose of this Agreement is to advance the City's goal of supporting the creation of "a framework by which the people of the City of Portland may effectively participate in civic affairs and work to improve the livability and character of their Neighborhoods and the City." (City Code 3.96.010)

Project Summary

- Support community and neighborhood impact on public decisions.
- Increase the number and diversity of people who are involved and volunteer in their communities and neighborhoods.
- Build and sustain neighborhood and community capacity.
- Provide tools and resources to improve neighborhood and community livability and safety.
- Provide accurate information and responsive and effective services to community members and organizations.
- Be guided by the city Goal X, Goal Y and Goal Z as outlined in the agreement.

Successes:

CNN LUTOP Discussions and Presentations including Rose Lane Project with all Business Associations and businesses and neighbors along NE Sandy Blvd. Tri Met on new development at the Hollywood Max including housing. Working with businesses and neighbors and PBOT we were successful in restoring some critical parking to Sandy Blvd. Business who lost all of their on street parking due to the Rose Lane the Bus and Alternate Transportation BAT lane between NE 86th to NE 92nd on the North Side of NE Sandy. Restoring the parking will not interfere with the Bus and Alternate Transportation BAT Lane.





On Saturday, December 5th, 2020, Hollywood Neighborhood Association Board members, (L-R) Ian Timm, Steve Colburn and Jo Schaefer, presented a \$1000.00 check to Alison DeLancey, Market Director of the Hollywood Farmers Market, which helped the market raise over \$7,500 for their Double up Food Bucks program.

CNN Staff & Sumner neighbors- Went down town to help clean up after the protests and rioting downtown. Sumner's local electronic recycler, his son, CNN Staff and neighbors went down town and helped board up windows that were broken from destruction. Later we went back and covered up graffiti that was painted on buildings and helped sweep and clean up broken glass. Business owners and neighbors all were very appreciative of all the wonderful help.



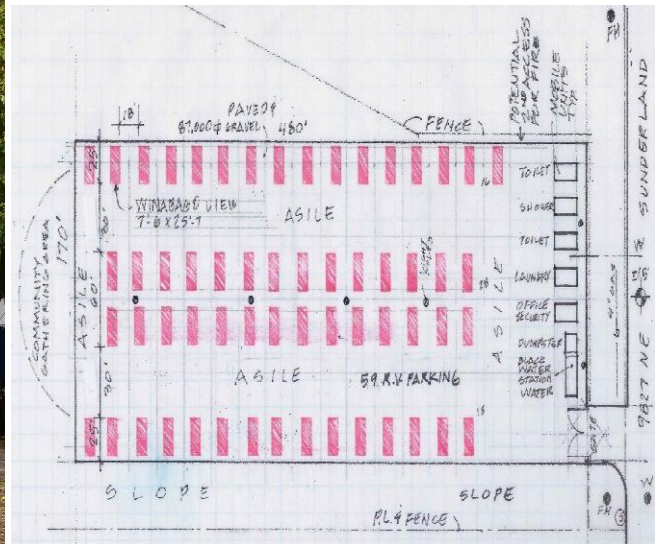
Neighbors continued this help off and on as needed.



June 2020 to December 2020 Downtown Portland

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Sunderland Neighbors from Dignity Village and representatives from Central Northeast Neighbors joined a team of concerned citizens looking for solutions that go beyond the long-term housing plans of the Joint Office of Homeless Services and the A Home For Everyone Coordinating Committee. Our team includes the leadership of Oregon Harbor of Hope, NA leadership from assorted communities, and a number of other concerned activists. This group is looking for creative solutions that lead to successful alternative housing. The Sunderland site is under consideration. We have had 3 dialogue sessions to look into possibilities.



Possible site for Sunderland Village RV parking site

- 6 CNN Board meetings held
- Covid 19 emergency programming implemented
- Zoom available to all Neighborhood Association with Training offered
- 2019-2020 Community & Civic Engagement Small Grants extended through June 2021 because of Covid
- Community Connect gatherings including presentations on Public Safety and Housing
- COVID Resources Updated

- Sunderland Neighborhood Association continuing to organize and become active
- Virtual Neighborhood Association Meetings held / Trainings offered /Some NA Zoom Accounts Established.
- 30 Virtual Neighborhood Association Board Meetings held
- 25 Virtual Neighborhood Association Committee Meetings held
- CNN LUTOP Zoom Discussions and Presentations including Rose Lane Project with all Business Associations and businesses and neighbors along NE Sandy Blvd. Presentation from Tri Met on new development at the Hollywood Max including housing

Challenges

The COVID-19 pandemic continues as a major influence on everything. Mandatory quarantining and rules about gatherings is difficult. Cancelling and rescheduling meetings with many to be virtual and online. Helping neighbors without having the tools or guidelines for these meetings was difficult. Some neighbors do not have internet or computers. It is always a pleasure to work with volunteers and find creative ways for them to connect. Almost all of our work became online, on cell phone and virtual. During this time our CNN / Fire Station Community Room is being used by the Fire Bureau and remains closed to the public. One of our offices began to smell of mold and remediation had to wait due to Covid. The entire Fire Station building is closed to the community and this includes our CNN office. We continue to work with all of our community for their needs specific to the Pandemic. We continued communication with the City of Portland regarding the renewal of our contracts. As a 501(c)3 nonprofit we are challenged with our funding. One of our major projects Neighborhood Cleanups lost all funding from the City of Portland and Metro. Outside grant funding is scarce and we are actively looking for grant monies. Much of our work these 6 months have been finding resources for neighbors who are isolated and have food and income insecurities.

Project Status Narrative:

JULY

CNN Staff- worked with HNA, Portland Disposal, Broadway Medical Clinic and Hollywood NA Crossing Apartments. Construction at the Broadway Medical Building was challenging for the neighbors living in the apartments as the construction was quite noisy and the garbage haulers were coming at extremely early hours to pick up full dumpsters and leave empty dumpsters. We were able to bring all the groups together and come up with a plan that was agreeable to all. Everyone worked all together and got the pickup times changed, worked with the construction company to begin their day a little later. This group will continue to have open communication and work on issues as they come up.

Worked on and completed 4th quarter and end of year reporting to OFFICE OF COMMUNITY AND CIVIC LIFE.

Zoom meeting; Dialog on Portland Police Crowd Management/Crowd Control Practices.

Meetings with Accountant Specialist and CNN Certified Public Accountant (CPA).

Developed, wrote, edited and sent out CNN E-Newsletter

Curb side notary service

Hollywood Zoom meeting about Montgomery Park Transition Project

Sunderland NA organizational meeting held at Dignity Village

Sumner NA Board/General Zoom meeting

Beaumont Wilshire NA Board meeting on Zoom Neighborhood Harassment Concerns – Available Resources and Next Steps: BWNA neighbor who experienced racial harassment in our neighborhood. The incident of racial slurs was described. The victim is focused on moving on and working with the neighborhood association how to prevent and deal with this kind of experience. Talked with Portland United Against Hate (PUAH) about this incident and explore possible educational opportunities Future Board discussion will include whether to support PUAH’s action statement. BWNA Statement Condemning Discrimination: presented a draft statement written as a neighborhood response to the racial harassment event in our neighborhood work to do final edits. It is hoped the statement will be up on the BWNA Board members will write articles for the BWNA newsletter and a blog post. BWNA Update/Covid Status – Revised Plans for 2020 – Board Recruitment – Future Meetings: Tonight’s meeting is the first BWNA meeting since March. No Taste of Beaumont was held this year and no board elections. Meetings in the near future will continue on Zoom BWNA Website/Communications Platform Update Multnomah County/DEQ Wood Smoke Campaign, Neighborhood Cleanup: on hold because of the COVID19 pandemic. Stairs Cleanup between Wisteria and Alameda at NE 42nd: on hold The will work with the Boy Scouts New Neighbor Welcoming Project: continues to obtain names of new residents but going door to door to welcome is on hold for now Friends of Wilshire Park Update: the new playhouse in the park is completed. Editor or a newsletter article regarding the levy. Traffic Safety: BWNA resident presented his ideas for “Safer Skidmore” Residential Infill Project: City Council has passed BPS proposals for significantly increased density in R5 zones. (Update/correction: there will be a City Council meeting on this subject on August 12 for final vote on the infill plan.)

Cully NA Board Meeting via Zoom

CNN Land Use meeting via Zoom

Hollywood NA NW General meeting-Montgomery Park to Hollywood NA Transit and Land use Development.

Board meeting Hollywood NA Hub discussion and Providence.

Roseway NA General Meeting via Zoom

Rose City Park NA Board Zoom meeting all RCPNA meetings including Land Use posted on YouTube.

Sumner NA Board meeting via Zoom

Sumner NA General Meeting via Zoom

Parkrose Business Association Zoom meeting.

Ride Connection Board Zoom Meeting discussion about future Equity Training and Board Strategic Planning, purchase of new Electric Vehicles

Bybee Lakes Hope Center for recovering our Homeless. Community Members, Business people and Staff toured the center tour.

AUGUST

Adobe Training for publication of newsletters for Neighborhoods and CNN.

Portland Air National Guard Restoration Advisory Board Identify and clean up environmental

contamination from past practices, accidents, or incidents at ANG bases Alison and Ronda appointed to this Committee to represent CNN Community
Small Grant Awardees check in
CNN E-news Letter finished and sent out
Beaumont Wilshire NA Neighborhood Association – Board meeting on
Cully NA- Board Meeting via Zoom
CNN Land Use Meeting via Zoom
Roseway NA General Meeting via Zoom
Rose City Park NA Board meeting Zoom meeting 8-2020, all meetings posted on YouTube.
Sunderland NA Held a Dignity Village Tour at 9401 NE Sunderland. Dignity Village is a membership-based community in NE Portland, providing shelter off the streets for 60 people a night since 2000. It's democratically self-governed with a mission to provide transitional housing that fosters community and self-empowerment– a radical experiment to end homelessness.

SEPTEMBER

CNN Board Meeting
Sumner NA Board & General meeting
Meeting with Small Grants awardees regarding amendments to projects due to covid
Attended non-profit.org training via Zoom
CNN E-news Letter finished and sent out
Beaumont Wilshire NA Neighborhood Association Board meeting on
Cully NA Board Meeting via Zoom
Cully NA General Meeting via Zoom
Cully NA Land use meeting via Zoom
Grant Park NA Board meeting
Grant Park Net team deployed for downed trees in wind storm. Team directed traffic and helped make sure neighbors were safe.
Rseway NA General Meeting via Zoom
Rose City Park NA Board & General meeting 9-2020 all meetings posted on YouTube.
Diversity committee first step reading circle Zoom meeting all meetings posted on YouTube.
Sumner NA Board meeting via Zoom
Sumner NA General Meeting via Zoom
Training and Sharing Virtual Neighborhood Association Elections Options and Information on Zoom Meetings. CNN offered all our NAs and organizations the opportunity to use our Zoom account.
Covid 19 Resource Guide Continues to be used and requested by neighbors. It is featured on all of our e newsletters and website. This Guide was so well received that we have printed multiple copies for social service agencies needing printed versions to hand out to clients.

OCTOBER

CNN Staff- Curb side notary
Drive through CNN Neighborhoods for abandon vehicles to report, Partnership with Transportation Abandon Vehicles Program.

Finish and send in 1st Qtr reporting to OFFICE OF COMMUNITY AND CIVIC LIFE
Attend Hollywood NA General Meeting via Zoom
Attend Madison South NA Board & General meeting via Zoom
CNN Board meeting via Zoom
Directors and Chairs meeting
BPS Information session on houseless
PDX Shelter alternative meeting
Attend Hollywood NA general & Board meeting
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Cully NA General Meeting via Zoom
Cully NA Board meeting via Zoom
Cully NA Land use meeting via Zoom
Madison South NA General Meeting via Zoom
Roseway NA Association General meeting via Zoom
Rose City Park NA Land Use and Transportation 10-2020 all meetings posted on YouTube.
Rose City Park NA General Zoom meeting 10/2020; Metro council District 5 candidates,
Portland commissioner #4 candidates and State senator Michael Dembrow all meetings posted
on YouTube.

NOVEMBER

CNN Board meeting via Zoom
Portland Air National Guard RESTORATION ADVISORY BOARD Zoom meeting, CNN Staff on
committee
Sumner NA General Meeting via Zoom
Cully NA General Meeting via Zoom
Luncheon with Sunderland NA/ Dignity Village strategic planning meeting
PDX Shelter alternative meeting
Small Grant Awardee check in
Beaumont Wilshire NA Board meeting on
Cully NA Board Meeting via Zoom
Cully NA General meeting via Zoom
Cully NA Land use meeting via Zoom
Grant Park NA Board meeting
Rose City Park NA Board meeting on Zoom 11-2020 all meetings posted on YouTube.
Sumner NA General Meeting via Zoom, presentation on fraud and scamming from On Point
Bank Rep.
Sumner NA Board meeting via Zoom
Sunderland NA Neighborhood cleanup CANCELLED DUE TO COVID-19

DECEMBER

CNN Board Meeting via Zoom
Madison South NA General& Board meeting via Zoom
Roseway NA Via Zoom meeting
Community Connects Gathering guest speakers from City of Portland Transportation Bureau

Rose Lane Project Zoom meeting. Over 45 Sandy Blvd. Businesses attended with concerns about removal of parking along both sides of Sandy in many places. Also concerns were raised about the increased traffic especially during commute times and that traffic backs up getting on I 205.

Directors and Chairs meeting

Special CNN Board Meeting Letter to Mayor & Commissioners

Small Grants meeting check in

2 Curb Side notaries

Sumner NA Small Grant planning meeting. Helping with about small grant

Beaumont Wilshire NA Board meeting on

Cully NA Board Meeting via Zoom

Cully NA General meeting via Zoom

Cully NA Land use meeting via Zoom

Rose City Park NA Board meeting on Zoom 12-2020 all meetings posted on YouTube.

Rose City Park NA Land Use & Transportation Zoom meeting 12/2020

Hollywood NA Neighborhood Association General Meeting via Zoom

Madison South NA Neighborhood Association General Meeting via Zoom

Sumner NA Accepted CNN Small grant amended original application, due to late notice of acceptance of small grant.

Next Steps

Working with Commissioner Hardesty / Staff for Office of Civic Life

Project Finances (Already filed with OFFICE OF COMMUNITY AND CIVIC LIFE)

Partnerships

Dignity Village

Portland Bureau of Transportation

Firestation 12

OFFICE OF COMMUNITY AND CIVIC LIFE

Neighborhood Associations

Tri met

Ride Connection

Parkrose Business Association

Hollywood NA Boosters

On Point Credit Union

Air National Guard