

COMMUNITY PARTICIPATION PROGRAM  
Application Template.

Please feel free to use this template as a guide to developing your submission for funding from the Community Participation Program. The level of detail should be appropriate to your organization's proposed activities, and to the level of funding allocated for your organization.

CONTACT INFORMATION:

Organization Name: Bryant Neighborhood Organization
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Federal EIN: 41-1694158
Board Contact: Name: Andrew Kampen
Staff Contact: The BNO is in the process of a new employee search

FUNDING ACTIVITIES.

Use the following questions as a guide for your submission.

1. After this first funding year, neighborhood organizations will submit proposals for three years of funding from the Community Participation Program. How will your organization engage residents and other stakeholders in 2011 to develop your three-year proposal?

The Bryant Neighborhood Organization (BNO) plans to engage residents and other stakeholders in the planning process through several outreach avenues including monthly and annual board meetings, comments/feedback on the BNO email listserve, the BNO Facebook page, and through face-to-face contact through other project-specific outreach. In addition, the BNO is in the process of website development, which we hope will include methods of engagement such as blogs and other places to seek and receive input. Last year, the BNO conducted a

neighborhood-wide survey of residents' interests in projects and programs, which the BNO will take into account for this planning process.

2. What regular outreach and engagement activities will your organization carry out in 2011?

In 2011, the BNO will create and distribute quarterly newsletters and post events and important topics to the email issues listserve. The BNO will continue development of a website and keep an updated social media (Facebook) site. As part of the Metro Blooms stormwater and landscape design project, the BNO will be "door knocking" to discuss the opportunity with residents. Furthermore, the BNO intends to hire a part-time employee as soon as possible who will allocate 25% of their time to focus on outreach through various channels, continually increasing access to Bryant information.

3. How will your organization reach out to under-represented groups in your community? Who are these groups?

The underrepresented groups in the Bryant Neighborhood are the Hispanic and Somali populations. We intend to hire a new part-time employee, who will be given guidance to contact key residents that can help reach-out to the under-represented groups. We recently connected with a potential translator in the neighborhood for the Hispanic community, who we plan to engage further in outreach so that we can best identify communication avenues for this group. We would also like to have parts of the website translated to different languages. Specifically, we plan to have the calendar of events and contact information translated into Spanish and Somali. The BNO also plans to insure that the movies in the park chosen this year have spanish subtitles.

4. What planning activities would your organization like to carry out in 2011? (This could include strategic planning, land use planning, NRP planning, etc).

Completing NRP Phase I and begin planning Phase II are major priorities for BNO planning this year. Another big planning project in Bryant will be the land use planning with the Metro Blooms project for wastewater management and landscaping. This will include identifying 20 residents and 10 curb bump-outs to redesign for optimal water catchment.

5. How does your organization provide information to the community? How do you gather information from the community?

The BNO provides information to the community via the quarterly newsletter, annual and monthly meetings, at community events, and in the email issues listserv. In the past, we have gathered information from the community at annual and monthly meetings, through the email issues listserv, at National Night Out rounds, and through periodic web-based surveys. This summer, we held a BBQ to gather survey information from those who may not access the internet.

6. What festivals and events will your organization host or support in 2011?

Events that the BNO intends to host this year include movies in the park, a sledding event, and a holiday breakfast. The BNO plans to support a neighborhood garage sale, National Night Out, Energy efficiency workshops, 38th and Chicago neighborhood festival, Phelps Activity Council sport events, and a fundraiser for Guadalupe (a young girl who was shot and injured this year in Central).

7. What else would you like the Neighborhood and Community Engagement Commission know about your organization?

The BNO is in serious need of a part-time employee to increase engagement in the neighborhood and to provide continuity between years and board members. To support this employee, the BNO would also significantly benefit from an office space and equipment.

#### ESTIMATED BUDGET

Staff Expenses	\$18,000.00
Employee Benefits	\$0.00
Professional Services	\$2,394.78
Occupancy	\$9,600.00
Communications/Outreach	\$7,000.00
Supplies and Materials	\$1,500.00
Festivals and events	\$1,500.00
Food and refreshments	\$1,000.00
Development	\$500.00
Fundraising	\$0.00

Other Services	\$0.00
TOTAL:	\$41,494.78