

Bottineau Neighborhood Association
Neighborhood Priority Plan
8/13/2013

The Bottineau Neighborhood Association (BNA) proposes to use up to \$13,000 of Community Participation Funds (CPF) to support increased Bottineau Park usage and thereby deter criminal activity and juvenile delinquency. In 2013 BNA received 41, 870.23 in roll over funds from CPPI allocation that was not designated for community use. The community met January 23, 2013 and determined overall priorities. From the list of 12 priorities that resulted from that community meeting a neighborhood survey was conducted to further discover the will of the community. Based on the survey and community input another community meeting was held May 30, 2013 at which time the community voted to allocate these funds to purchase of park benches to be placed around the tot lot sand play grounds as at Bottineau Park because no benches exist there. Parents must sit on the ground or on the curbing that surrounds the sand lots in order to monitor their children at play in the park because of the lack of these facilities. At the June 11, 2013 board meeting the BNA directors voted to pursue this NPP plan the community voted to adopt.

The Bottineau neighborhood has a long history of supporting the Bottineau Park. Bottineau residents included improved park safety via improved usage in both their NRP I and NRP II strategies.

Bottineau is a small neighborhood bounded by Lowry Ave NE on the north, the Mississippi river on the west, University Ave NE on the east and 17th Ave NE to the railroad tracks and then 18th Ave NE to the river on the south. Bottineau Park is the only tot lot and play grounds for a much larger area than just Bottineau neighborhood. Marshall Terrace to the north and Sheridan to the south have no park community centers with playground equipment so residents flock to the park from at least 12 blocks around.

BNA will work with the Minneapolis Park and Recreation Board (MPRB) to implement this NPP effort in accordance with MPRB requirements and staff direction.