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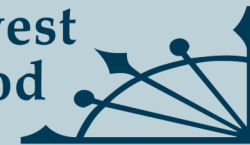
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2020 in the NNN Community, Conversation, and Connection

The NNN is vitalized through Community, Conversation, and Connection. We build our neighborhood together. 2020 became a number fully associated with change. Our schools, work, families, interactions, and daily way of being stopped or paused to reflect the protection and needs of the community as a whole. We had, and have, a health crisis. Crisis brings many things and highlights many things. We saw NNN neighbors' generosity and care in our Neighbors Helping Neighbors program, where neighbors in need were matched up with neighbors who could help. We met every need that was offered. We hosted community conversation circles on race, and we attended, invited, and helped facilitate. We are raising up community gardens, new housing, delivering newsletters, and looking out for each other. We all meet the mission of the NNN through the "art of neighboring." Here are a few other mission-related programs and work we'd like to highlight from this past year:

providing affordable housing to low-moderate income households

- ~ 18 families applied for the NNN housing program.
- ~ 12 vacant lots transferred or sold to support neighborhood improvement and development of low-to-moderate income housing.
- ~ 6 NNN newly completed homes sold to low-to-moderate income households.
- ~ The NNN acquired 1 new house for renovation, and 7 vacant lots for development of housing for low-to-moderate income households.

organizing and empowering community residents, and promoting the neighborhood's interests

- ~ Residents join in leadership in the NNN and work on efforts that have real impact in our community, including tenant's rights, lead paint hazards and other issues of environmental justice, gun violence, and police accountability.
- ~ Our "baseline" remains in building trust and relationships throughout the neighborhood through conversations, one-on-ones, and invitations into action and leadership.

fostering an inclusive community that values diversity

- ~ We began a community conversation circle series on race, that continues into 2021. Over 30 neighbors participated, with the facilitation efforts and planning efforts of an additional 10 leaders. These are often challenging conversations and full of growth and respect.
- ~ We remain committed to fostering a diverse community through our leadership, our events and programs, and our approach to neighborhood revitalization.

Our work in all ways is with and for neighbors, and has included a lot of graciousness and flexibility this year. We especially thank you for your encouragement and support—and we have a lot to celebrate together. While we work for "re-vitalization," I think we could start saying the NNN is "vitalized."



our mission -

The Near Northwest Neighborhood, Inc. is an organization of diverse members dedicated to the preservation and revitalization of the neighborhood through:

- providing affordable housing to low-moderate income households,
- organizing and empowering community residents,
- promoting the neighborhood's interests and
- fostering an inclusive community that values diversity

In 2020 our membership voted to revise our mission at the Near Northwest Neighborhood, to fully reflect our values and goals of creating an inclusive community. We work daily to meet the goals of this mission, and it guides all of our programming.

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