



2021

Annual Report

Near Northwest
Neighborhood 
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Message from the Executive Director



Neighbors and supporters of the NNN community – I'm pleased to connect with you. I have been reminded again and again throughout this time of pandemic that Community is our wealth, and our health. Our community is a source of great beauty, inspiration, and real hope to me, and to our shared organization.

The NNN remains committed to being a place of shared resources for the NNN community. I ask myself often – what is it we can do together, with the resources that we have been given to share? Like the spring flowers, new colorful opportunities continue to “pop up” throughout the NNN. We welcomed Brain Lair Books into the NNN building this year, with their focus on lifting marginalized voices. We have worked to increase partnership and support for Muesel School. We've been able to partner with the Botany Shop in neighborhood beautification projects. We continue to see increased interest in community-based development in the NNN, and local individuals taking steps into becoming the developer of the “home next door” or being able to improve their own homes. We hear neighbors talk about their hope and pride in our diverse neighborhood.



A healthy community is a powerful community, and we continue to work in engagement and organizing –working with you, our neighbors and our supporters, to engage in conversations and action around the issues that impact our community. We firmly believe that the best work that we can do, and that you can do, is to practice the “art of neighboring” – to build relationships, and to grow roots and connections whether you are in the NNN for five years or fifty.

As we determine the use of our shared resources, I'd encourage us to remember the differences in “equality” and “equity” – that equality means providing the same to all, but equity refers to fairness and justice. It's easy for us to see and understand that fairness and justice as a driver of neighborhood rebuilding allows us to remember why we have a mission of providing affordable housing, why we're so interested in building community leadership, advocacy, power, and most importantly – relationships. We believe that these connections are our neighborhood's great wealth and power, and our health.

We have much to celebrate, and to share – see you in the NNN!



Kathy Schuth
Executive Director

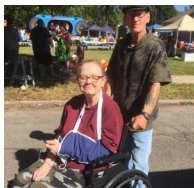
Our Mission

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

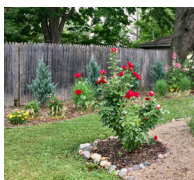
Core Values

Our Core Values are based on Inclusiveness, Sustainability, Credibility, and Respect. These Values along with our Mission guide our approach in all activities.



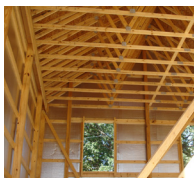
Inclusiveness

- Openness
- Hospitality
- Diversity
- Fairness
- Equity



Sustainability

- Clarity of Mission & Vision
- Cultivation of Leadership
- Long-range Strategic Planning
- Cultural, Economic, & Environmental
- Vitality



Credibility

- Purpose
- Integrity
- Competence
- Communication



Respect

- Trust
- Collaboration
- Partnership

NNN Staff and Board of Directors

Kathy Schuth	Executive Director
Jeff Stanifer	Property Development Specialist
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Andre Northern	Community Organizer
Eva Husband	Maintenance
Aireal Newbill	Local Cup Manager

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The Places and Homes That We Build



New Home Construction

The NNN is currently completing four new single-family affordable homes on Rex, Harrison, Cleveland, and California Aves.

NNN neighbors partnered with Muessel School, the Botany Shop, and volunteers to replant the Muessel school courtyard, and other beautification projects.



Partnerships for Beautification



New Rental Construction

The NNN is about to begin new construction on six new affordable apartments in two buildings, on Cushing and Demaude, to be managed by the NNN.

A collaboration with an IUSB Arts and Sustainability class brought two functional art installations into the NNN, a great celebration of community!



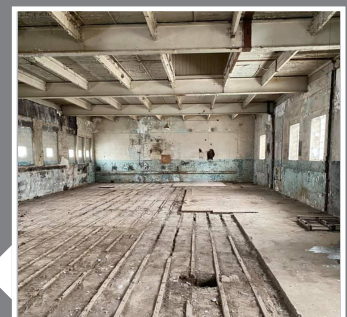
New Community Art



Rehabilitation of Homes

We have completed three rehab projects in the past year, and are set to begin another very soon!

Private partners in the NNN are bringing strong community-minded development, like the Bakery Project, and Cross Community's new construction on Harrison



Partnerships in Building Community Places

The Community That We Build



NNN Community gatherings, as we are able to begin to gather safely again in larger numbers, have been warm and generous events. We have been able to celebrate our community at Arts Cafe, and our Chili Supper. We have also been able to continue heavily needed conversations regarding public safety, community conversations on race, lead safety, and other neighborhood concerns, issues, and of course, celebrations.



NNN Community Organizing is core to the NNN's mission. We know that relationships are what makes our neighborhood thrive. We organize with neighborhood leaders, all of us ordinary citizens, to promote positive change for our entire community.



NNN Community Organizing also advocates for city-wide policies that have impact on our communities, such as lead safety, public safety, resources for mental health, and affordable housing. If you are interested in getting involved, let us know!



We've seen great NNN Community Businesses making an impact and join the area!
Welcome to :

Eco Owl Press
Brain Lair Books
The Botany Shop
The Bakery Project
No. 6 Restaurant



The Local Cup

The Local Cup celebrated its 7th year, and fully re-opened in the summer of 2021. The Local Cup employs local high school interns and St. Mary's College work-study students, and is managed by NNN neighbor, Aireal Newbill, who began her "coffee career" as a TLC intern.

In 2021, upon re-opening, 50+ events, meetings and gatherings were hosted by the NNN

170 events, meetings, and gatherings were scheduled to be hosted by NNN neighbors

170+



The NNN impacted over 8 properties in 2021. We sold one home to a low-moderate income family and three vacant lots for development. We have rehabs underway at one home, four new construction single family homes are underway, with two more, two duplexes, and a four-plex scheduled for development. We've also been spending a lot of time lining up opportunities for 2022-2023!

627 NNN households participate in the neighborhood list-serv, which had over 1,800 posts last year, keeping communications easy and up to date. The NNN Facebook page grew to over 2,000 members in 2021, a 100% increase since 2017. Our NNN Neighbors Helping Neighbors Facebook page also reaches 218 members. Want to join the listserv? Email us at nnnassistant@nearnorthwest.org and find us on Facebook at www.facebook.com/NearNorthwestNeighborhood

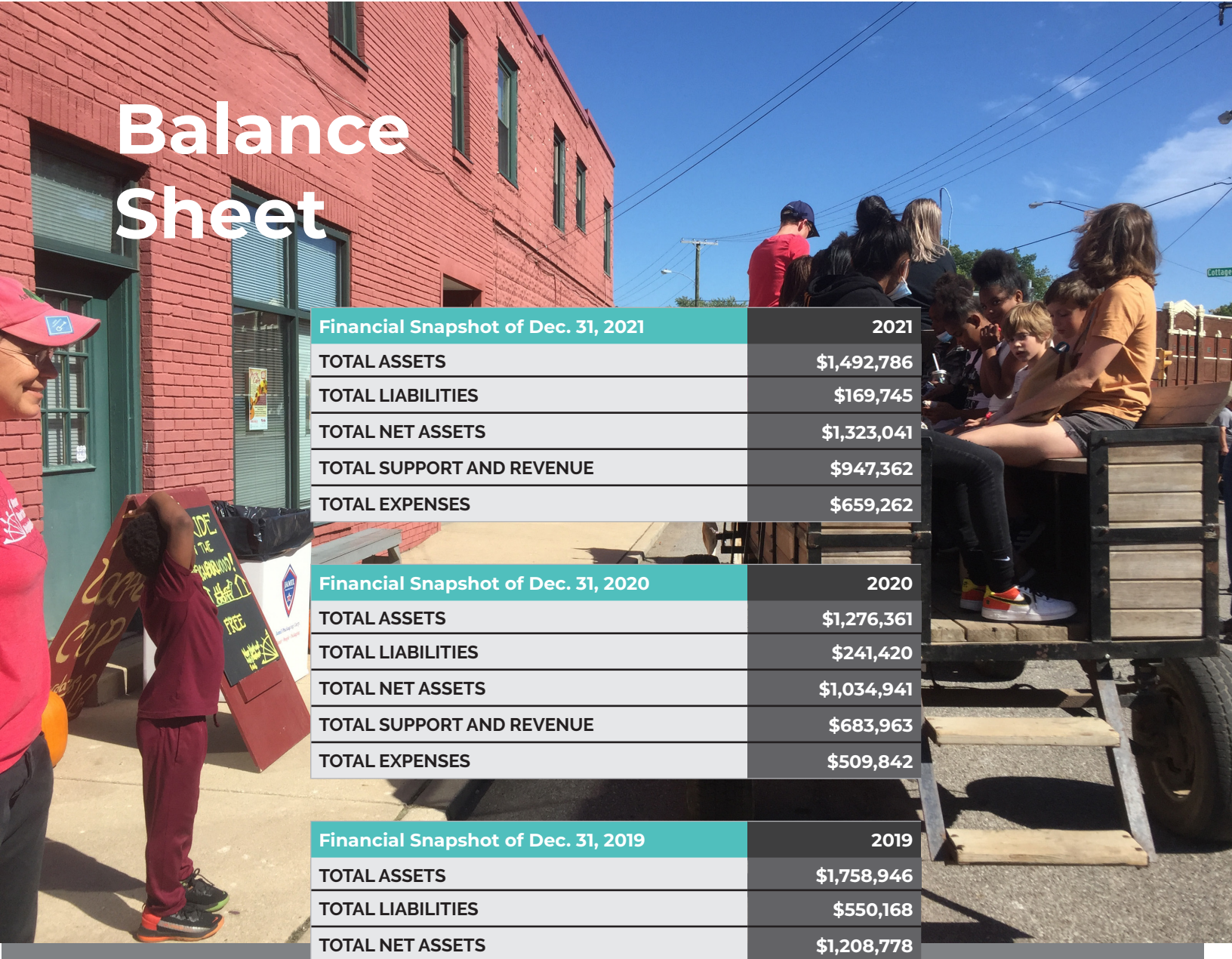


Balance Sheet

Financial Snapshot of Dec. 31, 2021	2021
TOTAL ASSETS	\$1,492,786
TOTAL LIABILITIES	\$169,745
TOTAL NET ASSETS	\$1,323,041
TOTAL SUPPORT AND REVENUE	\$947,362
TOTAL EXPENSES	\$659,262

Financial Snapshot of Dec. 31, 2020	2020
TOTAL ASSETS	\$1,276,361
TOTAL LIABILITIES	\$241,420
TOTAL NET ASSETS	\$1,034,941
TOTAL SUPPORT AND REVENUE	\$683,963
TOTAL EXPENSES	\$509,842

Financial Snapshot of Dec. 31, 2019	2019
TOTAL ASSETS	\$1,758,946
TOTAL LIABILITIES	\$550,168
TOTAL NET ASSETS	\$1,208,778
TOTAL SUPPORT AND REVENUE	\$715,198
TOTAL EXPENSES	\$699,098



Thank you to our Contributors!

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And to all of the Near Northwest Neighborhood Neighbors and Volunteers that help with special projects, clean ups, gatherings, newsletter delivery, and so much more!

Thank you for all of the gifts that you share!

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Thank You!

For Being a Part of Our COMMUNITY!

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