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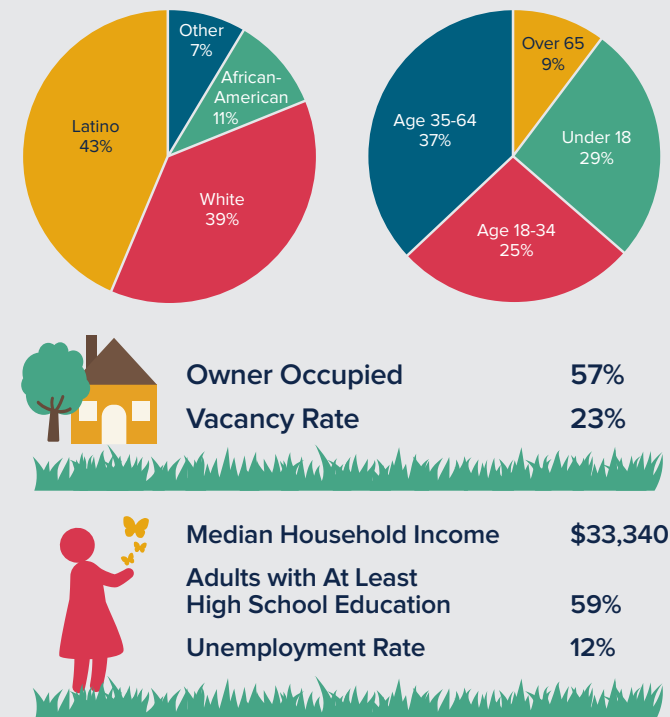
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Scarritt Renaissance

Quality of Life Plan Update 2016 - 2018

Total Population: 6,772



Our Mission

The mission of the Scarritt Renaissance Neighborhood Association (SRNA) is to improve the quality of life for residents living in its boundaries by working collectively with agencies, organizations, schools, churches, businesses, governmental organizations and engaged citizens for the benefit of the neighborhood as a whole. The SRNA vision is to revitalize the homes and businesses of the historic neighborhood while preserving the community's architectural assets.

NeighborhoodsNOW Accelerated

After 10 years of a comprehensive neighborhood revitalization strategy in Kansas City, LISC and its colleagues have come to understand four essential elements that are needed, in tandem, to accelerate progress: 1) Organized neighborhood leadership and collective efficacy; 2) Capital from multiple sources, which can be deployed in the target area; 3) Internal capacity and/or partnerships to do physical real estate development; 4) Alignment with the strategies and leadership of city government.

This 2016-2018 Quality of Life Plan invites stakeholders associated with each of these success factors to play an active role in fulfilling this neighborhood's three key goals. By working together to cultivate and sustain the capacity for implementation, we can create a place where people lead lives filled with opportunity.



2016 - 2018 Implementation Plan

Organized For Success

SRNA enjoys a large base of active residents and friends of the neighborhood who act as an army of volunteers by investing their time, money and passion in Scarritt Renaissance’s initiatives. The Executive Board is comprised of residents experienced in working with City officials, non-profits, developers, churches and neighborhood residents.

Over the past several years, SRNA has worked closely with a Community Outreach Coordinator from the Mattie Rhodes Center (MRC). The partnership with MRC has created a high level of neighborhood capacity allowing SRNA to identify neighborhood concerns, activate residents in planning and finally implement the neighborhood’s Quality of Life Plan through completion.

Since 2007, Greater Kansas City LISC has partnered with Scarritt Renaissance by providing technical assistance and investing \$1.2 million to support development, programming and to build the capacity of the neighborhood. In 2016, SRNA will complete a show piece embankment slide in Concourse Park to complement its existing children’s playground. SRNA also undertakes recurring projects that build neighborhood capacity through engagement and beautification. These include semiannual neighborhood cleanups and events like the annual Scare-it Halloween and Easter egg hunt. Active block watch meetings allow for more targeted neighborhood engagement.



DIRECTIONAL CUES	GOALS	STRATEGIES	MILESTONES	TIMING	IMPLEMENTATION STAKEHOLDERS
Concourse Park and Cliff Drive underutilized by residents Insufficient programming to bring people traffic Concerns about park safety and security	1 Increase usability and impact of Concourse Park and Cliff Drive	Improve infrastructure and amenities	Install public bathroom Install new lightpole with movement recognition Add lighting to sport courts	Q3 2016 Q4 2017 Q4 2017	<div><div></div><div></div><div></div></div>
		Deploy creative placemaking initiative	Sidewalk/Boulevard traffic calming art Activate amphitheater with first production Restoration of historic viaduct	Q2 2016 Q2 2017 Q1 2018	<div><div></div><div></div><div></div></div>
		Improve connectivity to Cliff Drive, trails and city bike infrastructure	Landscape key entryways and create traffic calming art Add bike sharing station Create welcoming infrastructure to Cliff Drive trails	Q1 2017 Q3 2018 Q4 2018	<div><div></div><div></div><div></div></div>
		Expand programming and events to activate the park	Expand current events (Easter Egg Hunt, etc) Add at least one additional event to Concourse	Q1 2016 Q2 2016	<div><div></div><div></div></div>
Lack of high quality physical development Underappreciated outstanding historical architecture Broader Kansas City community unaware of assets and amenities	2 Rebrand and develop infrastructure to encourage residential and commercial development	Continue to collaborate and connect with current Kansas City development efforts	Create strong zoning standards for Independence Ave Have discussions to expand transportation options	Q2 2016 Q2 2016	<div><div></div><div></div></div>
		Create a comprehensive marketing plan for Scarritt Renaissance	Produce "Education Navigator" brochure Produce "Welcome Neighbor" literature Create neighborhood asset map	Q4 2016 Q4 2016 Q4 2016	<div><div></div><div></div><div></div></div>
		Encourage and support private investment and development	Build communication between city inspectors & developers Create developers coalition Complete neighborhood supported zoning plan	Q2 2016 Q3 2016 Q1 2017	<div><div></div><div></div><div></div></div>
Persistent occurrences of crime and vandalism Dedicated group of residents engaged in crime deterrence efforts	3 Diversify efforts to improve neighborhood safety	Improve street and alley cleanliness	Systematic neighborhood cleanups Alley abatements Tree trimming	Q2 2016 Q1 2017 Q1 2018	<div><div></div><div></div><div></div></div>
		Implementation of Crime Prevention through Environmental Design (CPTED) in parks	Advocate for dusk to dawn park hours Develop lighting solutions	Q4 2016 Q3 2017	<div><div></div><div></div></div>
		Continued expansion of Block Watch program	Improve Block Watch communications Expand reach of Block Watch program Quarterly Block Watch meetings with Community Interaction Officer	Q1 2016 Q2 2016 Q2 2016	<div><div></div><div></div><div></div></div>

IMPLEMENTATION STAKEHOLDERS

Neighborhood Organization	<div></div> Northeast Alliance Together (NEAT) • Kansas City Museum • Kansas City Design Center • Mattie Rhodes Center • Jerusalem Farms • UMKC-Center for Neighborhoods • LISC
Capital	<div></div> Bank of America • UMB Bank • United Way of Greater Kansas City • LISC • Ewing and Marion Kauffman Foundation • Hall Family Foundation • H&R Block Foundation • Hispanic Economic Development Corporation • Economic Development Corporation of Kansas City • Missouri Housing Development Commission
Development Capacity	<div></div> Mattie Rhodes Center • Legal Aid of Western Missouri • Independence Ave CID • Northeast Chamber of Commerce • Hardesty Renaissance • Westside Housing Organization
Political Will	<div></div> Kansas City Police Department • City of Kansas City • 3rd District and 4th District Council Members • City Manager’s Office • Department of Parks and Recreation