AMANI UNITED COMMUNITY MEETING

January 27, 2015

Location: COA Library

Community Building Workshops

* Three day process. Dates for the Amani Workshop
	+ Thursday **February 12** noon-6
	+ Friday **February 13** 8:30-5
	+ Saturday **February 14** 8:30-5
* This workshop is different in the fact that it is group led and encourages balance and harmony*.*
* This workshop encompasses the four stages of community model
	+ Pseudo Community, Chaos, Emptiness and Community.
* In doing this workshop, it is hoped that Amani will build stronger relationships with elected officials, cross-sector partners and neighbors.
* If any residents are interested in participating please contact Pepper Ray 414-444-9930 or Pray.bncp@gmail.com.

30th Street Corridor

* Working with General Capital to help develop Century City.
* Working to make it an eco-industrial technology zone.
* Ground breaking will happen in six weeks for (a) Century City development.
* Making preparations for the youth of this area to work in Century City.
* Jobs are avaible for the construction of century city through big step, MWIAB and other job networks. (Current openings are attached to this email).
* Training are avaible in the construction field from MATC.
* Updates about corridor development can be found at thecorridor-MKE.org.

Future Milwaukee

* Has selected to move forward with the Communication Project
	+ The Primary focus is to increase communication amongst the neighborhood, residents and stakeholders.
	+ Will construct two bulletin Boards for the community and the possibility of creating a communication committee.
	+ Time line for project:
		- February-the development of a Communication Committee.
		- March-help from the community to assemble the Bulletin boards.
		- April-Installation of bulletin boards.

**Milwaukee Police Department Update**

* Three murders this year have already happened in Amani
* Eight weapons laws violations since the 7 of Jan.
* Spots fire has the technology to disseminate firecrackers from gunshots.
* Four Robberies
* Four home break-ins
* Two motor vehicle thefts

**AMANI Committee Updates**

* Safety and Health Committee
* No one was present to give updates.
* Friends of Moody Park
	+ Everything is continuing to move forward.
	+ As stated at the report out to the community permits held up the construction.
* Education and Workforce Development Committee
	+ Save Public Schools Community Strategy Session
		- There are current bills in the legislator to defund MPS, turn locally elected school boards into appointed positions, turn failing schools over to private investors and deny thousands of children access to a quality public education.
		- Saturday, February 7 9a.m-12:30p.m MATC will host a planning session to update parents, students, educators and community allies on the school takeover bills in the legislator.
		- Strategize on how to stop the takeovers.
		- FREE AND OPEN TO THE PUBLIC.
		- Information sessions about
			* special Education Vouchers
			* school safety and restorative justice
			* community schools
			* how to mobilize parents
			* how to organize
* Arts and Culture Committee
	+ No one was present to give updates.
* Housing and Vacant Lots Committee
	+ Partners In Places
		- Helps to develop vacant lots.
		- This program does not require matching funds.
		- Community group has to sign up for lot.

**Auer Ave**

* In the process of hiring a new Parent coordinator.

**Children’s Hospital**

* Cardinal Stritch & Children’s Hospital Community Leadership Training Program
	+ Will officially start 6p.m Tuesday January 27, 2015 at Coffee Makes You Black.
	+ Residents may pick and choose what classes the want to attend. Classes start at 6p.m-8:30. Dinner Provided.
	+ Classes go to March 31, 2015 (See flyer for class schedule).
* Children’s hospital Clinic in COA open Monday-Friday, offers full scale health services for children’s and adults.

**COA**

* Family resource center open Monday-Offers parenting classes.
* Family Fun Night
	+ December Fun Night over 482 children and adults attended.
	+ **Next Fun Night scheduled for February 20 5-7p.m.**
* On MLK Jr. Day took 25-30 kids to see Selma the Movie.
* Early Education Center
	+ Ground breaking to happen late Feb.
	+ Building should be finish by July 2015.
	+ Looking to employ certified early education staff.

**DCW**

No Updates

**Safe & Sound**

* Barbershop Mondays
	+ Inconjuction with Project Respect will host this.
	+ For more Information please contact Damien Smith 414-788-8085 or Damien@safesound.org.

**Wisconsin Black Historical Society**

* 3rd Annual Genealogy Conference
	+ Saturday February 28, 2015
	+ 2620 W Center, Milwaukee WI
	+ $20 admission fee for anyone from the Amani that wants to attend.
	+ For more information call 414-372-7677.

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