Community Development
2015 Snapshot Presentation of Priorities, Activities, and Results

NPC #9

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Mission for Battle Creek City Government:

To ensure a safe, prosperous and culturally enriched community.

Vision for Battle Creek City Government

We envision Battle Creek as an extraordinary community where people choose to live, work and play.
The **Community Development Division** coordinates planning and administers federal grants from the **Department of Housing & Urban Development (HUD)**.

- **Community Development Block Grants (CDBG)** $1.1 Million
- **HOME Investment Partnership (HOME)** $211,000
- **Neighborhood Stabilization Program (NSP)** $389,000
- **Hardest Hit funds – Demolition** $250,000
High Priority Community Needs

1. Improve property conditions in low and moderate income neighborhoods
2. Reduce blighted vacant and abandoned buildings
3. Ensure safety of rental housing
4. Develop and help people access affordable housing
5. Improve Fair Housing awareness and accountability
6. Increase community engagement
7. Infrastructure improvements and placemaking
8. Support collaborative homelessness efforts
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Community Development 2015

- Demolition (3%)
- Administration (9%)
- Streets (9%)
- Strategic Planning (11%)
- Code Enforcement (30%)
- Minor Home Repair (39%)

- Administration (5%)
- Tenant Based Rental Assistance (7%)
- Homebuyer Rehab (18%)
- Homeowner Rehab (28%)
- Rental Rehab (42%)

CDBG Funding $1,131,000
HOME Funding $409,000

* HOME funding includes $198,000 reallocated from previous years
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2014 Community Development Target Areas: CDBG and HOME Funded Projects by Type, Amount, and NPC

CDBG & HOME Program Projects by Type
- Minor Home Repair (61)
  - $300.00 - $3,000.00
  - $4,426.00 - $7,970.00
  - $8,470.00 - $17,050.00
- Home Owner Rehab (4)
  - $22,365.00 - $30,273.00
- Demolition (7)
  - $4,426.00 - $7,970.00
- Street Reconstruction (1)
  - $100,000.00

CDBG & HOME Program Funds Spent by Neighborhood Planning Council (NPC)

NPC 1
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- Minor Home Repair
- Home Owner Rehab
- Demolition
- Street Reconstruction
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City-wide Neighborhood Dashboard (2015)

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<td>Housing Violations</td>
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<td>New Vacants</td>
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<td>Overall Risk Scores</td>
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2010 Census Data

Area: 11.52 square miles
Total Population: 5,078
Households: 2,393
Housing Units: 2,661
Vacant Units: 268 (10.1%)
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Housing Characteristics NPC #9

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<td>Homeowner Occupied</td>
<td>29.0%</td>
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<td>Renters</td>
<td>71.0%</td>
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<td>10.1%</td>
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Median Housing Value
- $144,466
- $84,400

38% built before 1979, 2% before 1939
2.3% valued by the Census under $50,000
Key Issues from 2014

**Jobs:** #1 issue: 62.5% of NPC 9 residents said that Job Opportunities were a high priority
- Supports the efforts of BC Vision and its emphasis on workforce development

**Infrastructure Improvements:** 60.6% of NPC 5 residents prioritized Street Improvements highly

Comments from the Fall 2014 CD Survey:
- “Better roads”
- “Sidewalks/bike lands along Stone Jug Road”
- “Sidewalks on Stone Jug Road & better speed enforcement on such roads. Why no painted stripping on paved roads?”
Question & Ideas

- What from this presentation speaks to you?
- What’s working?
- What’s missing?
- What would you like to see done differently?
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