Activating Community Transformation

Emerging Organization Incubation
Livernois Corridor Initiative
2011-present

The PROJECT MEERKAT I COLLEGE CORE BLOCK CLUB I USSCO project focused on uniting and nurturing emerging grassroots community leaders through the establishment of a new neighborhood block club. Impact Detroit partnered with Unique Support Specialists Community Outreach (USSCO) and students from UDM’s Master of Community Development (MCD) “Project Meerkat” Capstone team to facilitate the sharing of knowledge and resources among individuals in neighboring communities in order to expand their capacity for community development.

Impact Detroit will continue to support the formation of USSCO, College Core Block Club, and other local Livernois area block clubs by providing a space and facilitation assistance for their meetings and other events. Workshops with these nascent community organizations will help identify long and short-term goals; share experience, progress, resources and lessons learned; and discuss the basics of community organizing. Impact Detroit will continue to help identify resources and provide connections to the Livernois Corridor Initiative and the greater Detroit area.

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Project Meerkat
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Neighborhood Survey
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We are interested in coming together as residents to form a neighborhood group. Together, we can make this community a safe, healthy and friendly place to live.

Would you be interested in joining us?  __ yes __ no

Name (optional): ___________  Contact Information (optional): phone number: ___________

email: ___________

Please check the ways in which you would like to become involved:

__ join a community block club or neighborhood group
__ attend community meetings
__ participate in community clean-ups
__ participate in community social events (ex: neighborhood BBQ, parade)
__ help develop and build assets for our community (ex: playground, community garden)

What do you think this community group should be called?

Do you have any other ideas? Please share.

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Please return this survey to Barbara Epps at 16609 Monica by Friday, January 20th.