



EBNHS ACCOMPLISHMENTS FOR 2016

Health and Safety Loan Program

- 22 applications submitted and Twelve (12) New H&S Loans approved in 2016
- EBNHS has approved 16 (total) Health & Safety Loans for residents in the SSD (\$68,788.02)
- 4 loans were EVGC TIF match.
- Loans were made for the following: 6 roofs, 4 security windows, 5 siding/porch, 1 electrical, 4 furnace, and 1 lead abatement.
- EBNHS has partnered with Navicore to offer credit repair; Chase Bank, Heartland Bank, Associated Bank and PNC Bank for underwriters; the City of Peoria for the EVGC TIF match as well as the Health Department for Lead abatement.

2.) Support for the EVGC TIF program

- Hosted 2 community information sessions
- Assisted 30+ residents with applications
- EBNHS partnered with the City of Peoria to keep the communication between residents and contractors flowing smoothly.

3.) Relationships with Landlords

- EBNHS is forming relationships with landlords to improve the quality of the rental property in the community by keeping open communication with landlords/tenants as well as tenant referrals.
- EBNHS contacts landlords when the tenants are becoming a nuisance to the neighborhood, when vacant properties are being vandalized, and when the property needs maintenance, repair and upkeep.

4.) Community Core 2016

- EBNHS has completed 67 projects in the 2016 Community Core boundaries (38 Paint & Porch, 10 Lawn & Landscape and 19 Locks & Lights), while forging relationships with hard to reach residents.
- EBNHS partnered with 7 different organizations (Dream Center, Mission Peoria, ReBuilding Together, Glen Oak Christian Church, City of Peoria, Public Works and Keep Peoria Beautiful) and held 5 successful work days.
- Employment Opportunity - With the help of our Resident Officer and the Community Core Initiative, EBNHS was able to recommend 15 neighborhood residents for employment.

5.) Access Peoria

- EBNHS Manages 16 units in partnership with IFF. This relationship has opened the door with new partnerships throughout the City (HSC, Advocates for Access, Salvation Army, VA and many more).
- EBNHS assisted with the on-site construction and management of all 16 units during the beginning stages of the project.
- EBNHS has processed over 25 applications for occupancy and successfully filled 11 units with 3 additional units pending.

6.) Tutoring program

EBNHS in partnership with Resident Officer Hightower, has started a tutoring program that works with the youth in the neighborhood scholastically as well as spiritually. This program offers help with homework and visits with community leaders.

7.) Community Service

- Because of our relationship with Peoria County Adult Probation Department, EBNHS has received 1000 + public service hours performed throughout the SSD service area. This includes lawn care, trash removal, painting, minor repairs, cleaning, weeding of the gardens and upkeep of the pocket park.
- There were 40 individuals that gave back directly to the communities they offended.
- Additionally Community Core residents completed 1000+ hours in exchange for home repairs by helping fellow residents with painting, fence repairs, yard maintenance, trash removal, planting, weeding, cleaning, cleaning gutters, etc.

8.) Relationships

- Established 20 + new relationships with hard to reach residents.
- EBNHS and Our resident Officer have established a solid relationship with the Principal of Glen Oak Learning Center and the staff members, allowing Lawn Order to monitor the daily successes

and behaviors of the youth participants. As a result 12 youth have improved in behaviors as well as academically.

- Heartland Bank - With the successful program, Lawn Order, EBNHS has formed a partnership with Heartland Bank for the financial education for our Lawn Order youth, teaching them the importance of money management for their future.
- Dream Center – EBNHS has established a relationship with Dream Center of Peoria. We successfully completed 4 volunteer work days in 2016 with 50+ volunteers. The first three workdays (Community Core), volunteers painted an entire house, gutters, railings, mailbox, etc. The fourth workday was to help a senior citizen make her home healthy and safe.

9) Art Appreciation

EBNHS, with the help of the Community Core Initiative, has completed the second mural on Wisconsin Ave. at Sparky's Ringside Bar & Grille.

10.) Lawn Order Academy

- This program was started for the at risk youth to give them a different outlook on life through accountability in the community, financial responsibility, as well as educational and personal goals. There are 25 youth that mow vacant lots throughout the city in this program with a waiting list of 100+.
- Pocket Park/ Seniors – EBNHS, along with Lawn Order, maintains the Illinois Pocket Park as well as yard maintenance for area senior citizens and handicapped residents.
- Maintains vacant lots for PCCEO purchased on Behrends.
- Grant - Lawn Order Academy received the Chuck Weaver "Leaders Change Illinois" Grant.
- Presentation - Presented Lawn Order Academy to P-Town Soup, Winning \$475.00.
- Won the 2016 Sigma award. This annual award is bestowed on individuals, programs and organizations who have impacted the Peoria area in a positive manner through unselfish service to our community.

11) Community Garden –

In partnership with 4H University of Illinois, the EBNHS Community Garden for a second year, has been a success forging new relationships with the residents offering free vegetables and health education.

12) Community Events

EBNHS has hosted 5 successful events in the backyard, in partnership with our resident Officer Hightower. These events were focused on the area youth and offered soccer, bouncy houses, water balloons, food, and fun.

13) Walk-in Community Service

Provides services for 30+ residents that walk in (or call) per week. This includes, but is not limited to: Code enforcement issues, nuisance neighbors, general information about programs available, landlord

issues, home repairs, police matters, EVGC TIF, food pantry, job opportunities, help with utilities, traffic issues, water issues, rental information, housing, loan programs, tool rental, volunteer opportunities, etc.

14.) Little free Library

EBNHS keeps the library fully stocked with a variety of reading levels to promote literacy and the joy of reading.

15.) Partnerships

- Boys & Girls Clubs providing school uniforms for needy students from a community school uniform drive.
- East Bluff Community Center – provide cross-referral assistance for their clients with housing/code issues as well as food pantry; 15+ direct referrals.
- District 150 Glen Oak School – participated in October 13, 2016 Safe Walk to School efforts by Children’s Hospital of Illinois and Boys & Girls Clubs.
- PCCEO – partnership with the AG Grant resulting in new construction on Behrends.
- Navicore – EBNHS is a referral source for financial education and stability; 5+ direct referrals
- Glen Oak Christian Church – helped coordinate their annual InAsMuch home repair program for the 3rd year. In 2016 EBNHS referred two homeowners in the community.
- Midwest Food Bank- providing boxes of non-perishables to the food pantry as well as residents that have the need.
- Community Neighborhood Association- Volunteered 30+ hours for the End of School Bash, this included serving food, soccer instruction, music, games, talent show and much more fun!