**Northlake Nickelsville CAC**

Meeting Minutes: July 31, 2018

* Members in attendance: Wendy Barrington, Ed mast, Jordan Schwartz, Scott Morrow,, Sarah Jones, Brook Brod, Karen Dalton (Absent: Mike Dunn)
* Permitted Encampment Members in Attendance: Leon Day, Tacoa, Nicole
* Operator Representatives in attendance: Josh Castle
* Others: Jean Darsie (Ballard CAC), Nery Chenk (neighbbor), Kathy Nador(?), Karen Ko (Dept of Neighborhoods), Jami Fecher (neighbor), Lynn McMannis, Steve McMannis, George Scarola (Strategic Advisor for Homelessness Response), Linda Loen (neighbor)
* Note Taker: Jordan Schwartz
* Chair: Sarah Jones
* Minutes Approved
* Census and facilities update (Tacoa presents)
  + 15 men, 8 women, 4 of which are couples, various pets; 4 new residents (couple named George & Candy, Candy is pregnant), plus another couple
  + Show truck with laundry facilities arrived
  + Lumber from Dunn has arrived, flower beds being assembled. Drill went missing. Seattle Tilth may lend expertise. Compost bin.
  + Issue with people parking / blocking gate and access for trucks to service toilets
  + Looking into handicap accessible ramp for shower trailer
    - Conversation about how to help with this. Josh may have help from co-worker Brad. Eric, LIHI employee and JSIS parent might help? If above doesn't pan, Ed Mast may be able to find help
  + 4th of July party was a success, well-attended
  + Food
    - Imperfect Produce has donated produce a few times
    - Greenwood Senior Center has donated food a few times (hot food, much appreciated)
    - A couple other Nickelsville villages have surplus food, some of which is being redistributed to Northlake
      * Ed offered to help coordinate getting rides for transporting the food, working with Scott Morro
    - Nickelsville should provide Sarah with list of desired foods, she can coordinate food drive come school season
    - Local mother donated food
  + Last Monday, Neighborhood Action Council districts 4&6 provided a banner
  + UW Street Medicine has offered to include Northlake in their walking route offering medical care
  + Ballard Ladies has brought food
  + Internet hotspots on loan from SPL; were turned in on July 16th on schedule. Two hotspots on loan from LIHI
  + Pancake breakfast on Saturday raised $360 in donations
  + Nickelsville present at County Council discussion on spending on Baseball Stadium vs affordable housing
  + Plan for some residents to camp out next to Pearl Jam (concert is to support homeless, although not Nickelsville)
  + Dunn Lumber is filling propane tanks for camp (at or below cost)
* Discussion of City funded meals:
  + 1 goes to Lichton Springs, 1 goes to Whittier Heights; that's all. Josh suggested we contact city to provide more.
  + "HSD needs to provide add'tl funds for meals for all the villages";
  + Scott and Tacoa indicate that this is not a priority for the village. There is food coming in, and having people motivate to acquire food is healthy.
  + Wendy offered to help them draw up their **own** priority list
* Scott to get back to Ed about whether wood chips adequate replacement for gravel (because it's free)
* Should we have a neighborhood-invited bbq / potluck onsite at Nickelsville for community interaction? Maybe across the street.
  + Wallyhood offered to publicize the clean-up activities
* Tacoa asked about extending range of cleanups (e.g., to school yard)
* Karen reminds us that the Neighborhood Matching Fund: Smalling Sparks awards on rolling basis, up to $5K
* Community outreach: Booth at U/Wallingford Farmers Market? Ed and Brooke to talk and coordinate on ideas
* Discussion about unsanctioned camps nearby. Acknowledge that these are different than Nickelsville CAC, but still discussed ways to reduce harm.
* LEAD (Law Enforcement Assisted Diversion) may be coming to North End. Suggestion was made to reach out to see if they can assist in addressing unsanctioned and disruptive camping.
* Karen Dalton from WCC says they "received email about background checks", concerned that lack of background checks created an unsafe environment.
  + Josh Castle responds that there are sex offender background check, but that's all, because it would create a barrier to taking assistance if ppl thought they would be investigated. City law says you can't do background checks for housing. Doesn't necessarily apply to villages, because they're not tenants, but do apply to housing first HSC principles.