

Meeting Minutes – Community Assessment Response Task Force

September 23, 2013 – HSCA – 7:00pm

1. Additions to the Agenda

a. FCC Update

- We need to have volunteers to provide a fan-out plan. Pat will take this, she's working for FCC
- Flood task force update for the whole community in November. We will write an article for the voice inviting volunteers, and technical volunteers for this meeting. Jodi will take this on.

2. United Way Day of Caring ideas

a. Update from Jodi and Karla

- It's going to be too expensive and too time consuming to hit every house in the community, though that would be best-case scenario. We are still unsure about the budget of this project. A possible solution is that Hope hampers will be delivered to people who sign up for them either via phone or through the website.
- Everyone in easy Sunnyside will be approved for a hope hamper because they were hit the hardest. But this depends on the budget. Kerri will email Heather Innes from United Way to ask what she knows about budget, numbers, etc.
- We'll then provide them with an estimated amount of people that we'd ideally want to have vs. what is do-able. If we were to guess, 1,000 households flooded. 2,000 households were affected in some way.
- Possible survey completion, but we're worried about the lack of face-to-face contact.

3. Media Update

- The Calgary Sun requested our early data from our surveys. We said no, if we have a strong message we'll send it to the Sun. Otherwise, we're not interested in media coverage of our survey at the moment.
- United Way wanted some early info, which we have provided but we're not sure if we should give them some more information.

4. New flooding concerns

- Getting former Sunnyside renters back into the community is important. That being said, we don't currently know how to locate those who have left. We are interested in keeping diversity in the community but resources are slim.

5. Survey Update

- We're going to write up a formal letter that asks residents to fill out the survey

6. Response

- a. Update: responding to people not feeling safe
 - No action taken since last week
- b. Update: responding to abandon homes
 - Three homes have been visited. Two have for sale signs or construction signs out front, so we assume they are being looked after. However, there are concerns that the property is what is for sale, meaning the house isn't necessarily being taken care of.
- c. Developing a community action plan
- d. Other needs and issues

7. New Events

- a. Container Project
 - Sharing flood stories in spoken word
 - Disaster recovery could start here
 - Possible healing circle
 - Report back number of people not covered at all by insurance. Give to Kerri by October 1
 - b. Neighbourhood walk
 - c. Fall Fair, September 28
 - Button maker is booked. Karla is filling out the form to get us the table. Carla and Jodi will be in charge of this table between 11 a.m. – 3 p.m. Great opportunity to get surveys done.
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Next meeting: Oct. 7th, 2013 at 7:00 p.m.

Sunnyside disaster response plan meeting: Nov. 18th at 7 p.m. OPEN MEETING.