



HOBART NW NEIGHBORHOOD SPOTLIGHT

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Local Leader:

In the Fall of 2014, a partnership of city officials, community organizations and residents successfully secured grant funding to spotlight and focus discussion on the northwest section of Hobart.

The Hobart Neighborhood Spotlight Program, funded by the Lake County Community Fund at the Legacy Foundation, will focus on the “*Act, Organize, and Decide*” approach. This approach will assess the community, develop a comprehensive neighborhood vision, and ultimately create a collective impact plan.

Over the next year, various activities will take place including an interview cycle of local leaders, a neighborhood-wide kickoff meeting to share interview results, the establishment of spotlight subcommittees, the development of a collective impact plan for the area, and the creation of an oversight committee to implement the approved plan.

Our team has now begun the first phase of the grant, to conduct interviews. The interview cycle will capture proposed ideas and strategies to help revitalize the target area. We thought it would be wise to interview local leaders who have deep knowledge and wisdom about the target area. You have been identified as a local leader! We would like to schedule an interview with you as soon as possible to hear your thoughts on the strengths, weaknesses, opportunities and threats that face the targeted neighborhood.

Once the interview cycle is complete, results will be presented at the Neighborhood Kickoff Event that is scheduled to take place later this spring.

We look forward to working with you during this community development process. Your involvement is needed! Please feel free to call with any questions or to schedule an interview.

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