Baltimore Neighborhood Indicators Alliance/UB School of Criminal Justice

McElderry Park Revitalization Coalition
Byrne Innovation Grant

Baltimore Neighborhood Indicators Alliance

- A resource in the Community
  - www.bniajfi.org
  - www.facebook.com/bniajfi
  - @bniajfi

- Vital Signs
  - Quality of life indicators for Baltimore communities
  - 10 years of data acquisition and analysis
  - Partnerships with data providers, stakeholders

- A resource Nationally
  - “Democratization of Data”
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SQL Server
GIS Geodatabase

Claritas
Schools
Vital Statistics
Police
InfoUSA

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2010 Baltimore City CSAs

Number - 55
Based on 2010 Census boundaries
Aggregations of Census tracts (respectful of neighborhoods)
BNIA-JFI

- **Vital Signs 11**
  - Released *Friday April 19th*
  - New indicators
  - Data stories
  - Updated website with new search capabilities
    - [http://www.bniajfi.org/](http://www.bniajfi.org/)

- **Data Day 2013**
  - **FREE** one day conference
  - July 12th at the University of Baltimore
UB – School of Criminal Justice

Education and... Research Expertise
» Practical and applied research focus
» Identifies best-practices in crime prevention, policing, corrections & victim services
» Works with community organizations and local government
» Provides training and education for practitioners
» Criminal justice program development, implementation, and evaluation

MPRC Research Tasks

Multi-staged approach
Multi-partner approach

TASKS:
• Strategic planning
• Data Steering committee
• Asset mapping
• Community information
• Evidence-based analyses
MPRC Research Tasks – Strategic Planning

• **Task 1**
  > review previous neighborhood plans for the area
  > provide technical assistance to MPRC staff and partner members in the development of a strategic implementation plan

MPRC Research Tasks – Data Steering Committee

• **Task 2**
  > Committee of research and data partners
    + done research in the neighborhood
    + can help frame the data analysis for subsequent implementation and evaluation
  > Catalogue existing studies and available data sets
  > Use relevant BNIA-JFI historical data (crime, education, housing, health, economic development, etc)
  > Present analyses to the data steering committee as well as at MPRC meetings
  > Report findings for strategic plan
MPRC Research Tasks – Asset Mapping

• Task 3
  > meet with the critical MPRC partners to understand contributions in the area
  > identify the assets and needs of the community
  > Create a series of maps to be included in the final report

MPRC Research Tasks – Community Information

• Task 4
  > SCJ will work with MPRC to prepare for and facilitate focus groups
    + residents, community-based organizations and other key participants
  > Experiences and perceptions regarding the causes of pervasive crime issues facing the target area and potential solutions
  > Task 4a: Surveys (if applicable)
Focus Groups

Focus Group Discussion Topics:
- Crime and disorder problems
- Causes of problems
- Potential solutions/strategies

Focus Group Requirements:
- Must be over 18
- Resident of McElderry Park
- Will be conducted early summer

MPRC Research Tasks – Evidence-Based Analyses

- Task 5
  > Use data, maps, focus group information to identify potential evidence-based solutions and innovative strategies
  > Also use literature review, examining best practices implemented in other cities
  > Review findings with MPRC members
  > Refine the initial strategy to develop a continuum of strategies to address the identified crime issues
Questions?

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