



Near North Unity Program (NNUP)
Membership Meeting NOTES
6:00 pm - 7:30 pm
Monday, November 29, 2021

Virtual Zoom Meeting

Welcome & Introductions

- Review Zoom Question and Answer Guidelines
 - Presenters will provide details please use Zoom chat to send questions.
 - Sign-up Form: <https://forms.gle/roi5h5hexn6KBVph9>
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AGENDA

- Introduction
 - Live Free Illinois
 - Artinese Myrick, Community Liaison
 - Faith Based Violence prevention. There are local and national organizations.
 - Uptick in violence in the city in 2021, work with churches as well as convening other organizations. Use Justice Teams to make public policy changes. Justice teams have 5-20 members on them. Will train members how to engage with local, state, and federal politicians.
 - Meet one another and build relationships and build campaigns for change. Gun violence effects mirror Covis effects - there is a safety gap.
 - Help former incarcerated.
 - artinese@livefreeillinois.org
- Senior Living Medicare Changes
 - Kevin Corley, Principal
 - Apply for Medicare part A & B during the initial sign up period otherwise there is a penalty.
 - Part A Inpatient/Hospital, Part B outpatient/medical, Part d drugs, Part C is A + B + d with extended benefits.
 - There are many new Medicare Advantage programs to choose from. Open Enrollment Oct 15-Dec 7.
 - First time applicants apply to Social Security Directly. www.SSA.gov 800-772-1213, only after then can you contact Medicare Advantage about other types of plans.
 - kevin@kandkenterprisesus.com
- Chicago Public Housing Authority
 - EJ Zitkus, Deputy Chief of Safety and Security
 - Daniel Cruz, Senior Director, Government and External Affairs

- Shows data “Clear” map with reported crime in the area. Map shows only 6 reported shootings by Cabrini rowhouses. The events are less than other places in the neighborhood. These reported shootings are ones that received 911 calls and where shell casings were found. Conversation about there may be other incidents but without a report the event does not show up on the Clear map.
 - There is no shot spotters in the 18th district to capture recordings of actual shots.
- CHA talks at least once a week to CPD.
- There are CHA security 24/7 personnel detailed by the rowhouses.
 - CHA Security personnel can observe and report but they can not enforce. There is a conversation not all crime may be coming from rowhouses.
 - Crime concerns differ by location in the community. Some may have issues on Wells others on Oak.
 - CHA is RFPing their security contracts.
 - Reports made by CHA personnel to Police are public record and can be FOIAd.
 - CHA has a process to remove people from leased units but this process needs to be applied fairly. People can't be banned from walking on a public street. Exclusion lists are for property not for sidewalks and outside.
 - Residents on Cambridge street must be fearful as well. People living here want to live in peace to. Suggest more chances to interact among all residents.
 - Need to recognize 99% of people here want to live in peace and go about their lives only 1% are causing problems. Need to address the 1%.
 - Contentious chat between on-line participants occurs while the presentation is going on.
- Should the gatehouses be operational. Alderman says he would support getting funds to fix the gatehouses by the rowhouses.
- Bullets in people's condo units and in the garage at 500 W Chicago. Unacceptable.
- CPS Chris Schnek on call and comments on CPD's response to safety and security in the 18th district and by the Cabrini rowhouses.
- Ezitkus@thecha.org

- **808 N Cleveland - DAC Development**
 - (pending confirmation of individual) Construction update
 - Daniel Rezko, Principal DAC Developments
 - 22 stories, started construction 8 weeks ago, will be retail on bottom floor, to be completed Q1 2023
 - Entrance on Cleveland, Delivery on Cambridge
 - Studios rent for \$2000 dollars/month up to \$6000 dollars/month for larger units.
 - Hired with Communities 4 Construction. 10% of the units are CHA. Paid into city fund for other 10% affordable.
 - Maurice Edwards asks to follow up with DAC about additional hiring opportunities for residents.
 - Dan willing to work with the community on issues of safety and security surrounding his building which is right in front of the Cabrini rowhouses.

- **Dec 13 - NNUP December Celebration and Community Advocate Award Ceremony, via Zoom, 6 pm**
- **Jan 13 - Seward PAC meeting, via Zoom, 6 pm**
- **Jan 18 - Stanton PAC meeting, via Zoom, 6 pm**
- **Jan 31 - NNUP Monthly Meeting, via Zoom, 6 pm**