

UDCA Community Projects

Standing Committees (as per Bylaws Article XII)

BEAUTIFICATION COMMITTEE: Judy Betts – Board Liaison

Provide products, services and holiday decorations for the beautification for the University District.

Projects:	Description:	Project Leader:
Planter Project	<i>Beautify 6 and 7 Mile Roads by placing, decorating & main- training planters. Work with Livernois and 6 Mile businesses to encourage renovation projects to improve the street appearance of businesses.</i>	Judy Betts
Signage Project	<i>Maintain University District Community signs.</i>	Ricardo Reyes
Project Clean Sweep	<i>Support the Mayor’s clean-up program by organizing residents and businesses for the District’s spring-clean up program</i>	Holly Clements

COMMUNICATIONS COMMITTEE: Holly Clements - Board Liaisons

Publish newsletter, maintain website, monitor Hotline, and distribute notices for general membership meetings and social events.

Projects:	Description:	Project Leader:
Newsletter	<i>Oversee the development and printing of the Quarterly newsletter. Promote newsletter advertisements.</i>	Tiffany Alexander
Website	<i>Oversee the development and maintenance of UDCA web site.</i>	Holly Clements
Email	<i>Send out emails to the community informing neighbors of important issues/news.</i>	Holly Clements

ELECTION COMMITTEE: Sidney Bailey III – Board Liaison

Plan, organize and oversee the annual UDCA Board election process

Projects:	Description:	Project Leader:
Elections	<i>Plan, organize and oversee the annual UDCA Board election process</i>	Sidney Bailey III
Bylaws, Policies & Procedures	<i>Develop, manage, maintain, document and distribute the UDCA governing documents (e.g., Bylaws, policies, and procedures).</i>	Sidney Bailey III

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MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE: Roger Short – Board Liaison

Maintain and increase membership of the Association

Projects:	Description:	Project Leader:
Membership Drives	<i>Plan, organize and oversee the membership drives.</i>	Vicky Reyes
Membership Database	<i>Manage the UDCA membership process.</i>	Vicky Reyes

PLANNING & DEVELOPMENT: Judith Williams & Rainy Hamilton – Board Liaisons

Work to maintain residential standards, help enforce zoning regulations, and monitor building and development plans for the neighborhood.

Projects:	Description:	Project Leader:
Residential Standards	<i>Monitor neighborhood conditions and resident concerns; work with city officials to ensure neighborhood properties are in compliance with City Ordinances (e.g., proper lighting, street surfaces are in good condition, traffic violations (running stop signs, speeding, etc.); educate residents on Detroit's Blight Violation & Administrative Hearing Process; and work with the 12th Precinct to process violations within the UDCA community.</i>	K'wame Robinson
Historical Designation	<i>Work with residents and Historical Association to determine what the historical designation would mean for district residents (pros/cons, steps that would be taken, costs) and solicit agreement from residents.</i>	Rainy Hamilton
Zoning Project	<i>Monitor business development and the observance of City and State ordinances regarding the health and safety of the of the District residents; to work toward preservation of property values and zoning standards. Any nonconforming use or zoning change should be acted upon and reported.</i>	Nate Ford
Property Taxes	<i>Provide information to the Board and residents regarding events, forums, city hall visits, etc. which effect community property taxes.</i>	Rainy Hamilton

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SAFETY & SECURITY COMMITTEE: Henry Conerway – Board Liaison

Work with neighborhood patrol organizations, gather crime statistics and promote safety in the District.

Projects:	Description:	Project Leader
Neighborhood Watch	<i>Work to support various activities and encourage participation of volunteers; perform Abandon Car Sweep of streets within district and report abandoned cars to the Detroit Police Department, and promote and encourage Neighborhood Watch to increase residents' involvement in security safeguard initiatives (e.g., Safe Houses home ID program for school children, porch and backyard lights, detection and elimination of drug houses, vacant house watch).</i>	John Hall

SCHOOL COMMITTEE: Ray Womack, Shirley Lusby, Judith Williams – Board Liaisons

Help the schools in our neighborhood achieve their educational goals.

Projects:	Description:	Representative
Neighborhood schools	<i>Work with administrators at Barbara Jordan and Gesu to support students learning through the career day program, tutoring Program, mentoring, and outdoor assistance to enhance and maintain school grounds.</i>	Raymond Womack
Newsletter Column	<i>Work with Barbara Jordan and Gesu to get articles written by students to highlight upcoming events, school issues, and accomplishments for the UDCA newsletter.</i>	Shirley Lusby

SNOW COMMITTEE: Roger Short – Board Liaison

Handle any business with the snow removal contractor.

Projects:	Description:	Project Leader:
Snow Removal	<i>Secure a contractor and oversee the snow removal process for the District.</i>	Roger Short

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SOCIAL and CULTURE COMMITTEE: Nate Ford- Board Liaison

Make arrangements for all General Membership meetings and social events.

Projects:	Description:	Project Leader:
Dinner Dance/Cruise	<i>Plan an annual social event such as a dinner dance or dinner cruise.</i>	Roger Short
Youth	<i>Plan and oversee events for the neighborhood youth to meet and socialize.</i>	Addie Smith
General Membership Meetings	<i>Plan semiannual General Membership Meetings as defined in Bylaws.</i>	Nate Ford
Welcome Packages	<i>Develop and distribute UDCA Welcome Package to new residents and ensure that the names of new residents are printed in the Newsletter.</i>	Vicky Reyes

Additional Activities in the Community:

FUNDRAISING: Nate Ford- Board Liaison

Activity	Description:	Chair Person
Home & Garden Tour	<i>Plan and oversee the biennial Home & Garden Tour</i>	Vicky Reyes
Cook Book	<i>Solicit recipes and design a neighborhood cookbook to sell. Work with the Social & Family Activities Committee to have a tasting event.</i>	Holly Clements
Golf Outing	<i>Plan and oversee annual golf outing.</i>	Jack Betts
T-Shirts and Mugs	<i>Solicit companies to manufacture UDCA products to sell as fundraisers.</i>	Holly Clements
Advertising	<i>Solicit ads for the newsletter</i>	All board members
Garage/Yard Sale	<i>Plan and oversee the annual neighborhood wide sale.</i>	Addie Smith
University Commons VIP Cards	<i>\$10 discount cards to promote shopping on Livernois. Card money collected will be split 50/50 with UC and UDCA</i>	Vicky Reyes Nate Ford

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UDCA Area Organizations:

Organization	Description:	Representative
12th Precinct Neighborhood Coalition	<i>Meets 4th Saturday of the month @ 9am The Lighthouse on Livernois</i>	Nate Ford
University Commons	<i>Meets 2nd Tuesday of the month @ 9am Prime Financial on Livernois</i>	Dave Marquardt
Neighborhood Task Force on Vacant Homes	<i>Meets 2nd Wednesday of the month. Second Wednesday 7 pm Prime Financial on Livernois</i>	
12th Precinct Community Relations	<i>Meets in 12th Precinct parking garage 1st Thursday of the month. Because of cold weather the meetings may not occur during the winter months. Sgt. Bledsoe should be contacted for the schedule.</i>	
Detroit Historical Neighborhood Coalition	<i>Meets 3rd Thursday of the month.</i>	Reggie Cunningham
University District Patrol (UDP)	<i>Paid security patrol</i>	Brandon Riordan
University District Radio Patrol (UDRP)	<i>Volunteer citizen patrol. Meets 3rd Thursday @ 7pm Gesu community Center</i>	Mary Jo Smith