

APPENDIX 5

Catagories of Information

Suggested Outline of Category One through Four Information

Category One:

Gather reading materials that are outside of the neighborhood, community, or municipality. The intent is to provide you and others with background information on neighborhood revitalization. This information is what other neighborhoods have done, reference material on revitalization, and what the experts are saying about this subject.

Category Two:

What is in place with respect to formal information concerning the target neighborhood(s)? For example, the local comprehensive plan, the geographic information-maps, traffic counts could be reviewed. Also demographic information, e.g., crime rates, high school graduation rates, population growth, or decline rates, property values.

Category Three:

Gaining more specific, factual information on the targeted neighborhood(s) which later may result in an inventory concerning the neighborhood. For example, # of schools; teacher/student ratio; community policing; parks and recreational activities. Also, the following questions need answers:
What we don't know about residents concerning neighborhood revitalization.
What we don't know about elected officials concerning neighborhood revitalization.

Category Four:

From your experience and what you have learned from information in categories one, two and three, what do you know about the target neighborhood(s) for revitalization?
What are the points of change in the targeted neighborhood(s) for you now and longer term?
How would you know when desired changes are taking place, e.g.; indicators that progress is in the right direction? Write your answers to these questions and others, in order to prepare for coming together as a group.
