

Informed Neighbors Corps

The Center on Society and Health partnered with Richmond Promise Neighborhood to bring together a core group of Creighton Court residents (Informed Neighbors Corps) to increase transparency and clear communication in the redevelopment of Creighton Court.



Purpose

The goals of the Informed Neighbors Corps are (1) to encourage transparency of the redevelopment process from the Master Developer—The Community Builders (TCB), The City of Richmond, and Richmond Redevelopment and Housing Authority (RRHA) and (2) to promote resident leadership in the housing redevelopment process.

Past activities

- Completed a housing negotiation and advocacy training with Richmond Promise Neighborhood Leadership Academy
- Generated and prioritized community questions and concerns about the redevelopment
- Developed a Frequently Asked Questions (FAQ) sheet on community questions about the redevelopment
- Planned and conducted a door-to-door information campaign
- Organized a resident-led neighborhood meeting on the redevelopment

Current activities

- Conceptualize a second FAQ sheet on housing compliance
- Coordinate a fall information campaign on redevelopment preparation
- Provide ongoing recommendations to City of Richmond, RRHA, and TCB on strategies for broader resident participation
- Consult with area service providers to evaluate and prioritize evidence-based practices to promote health



ABOUT THE CENTER

The Center on Society and Health is an academic research center that studies the connections between social factors and health.

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