

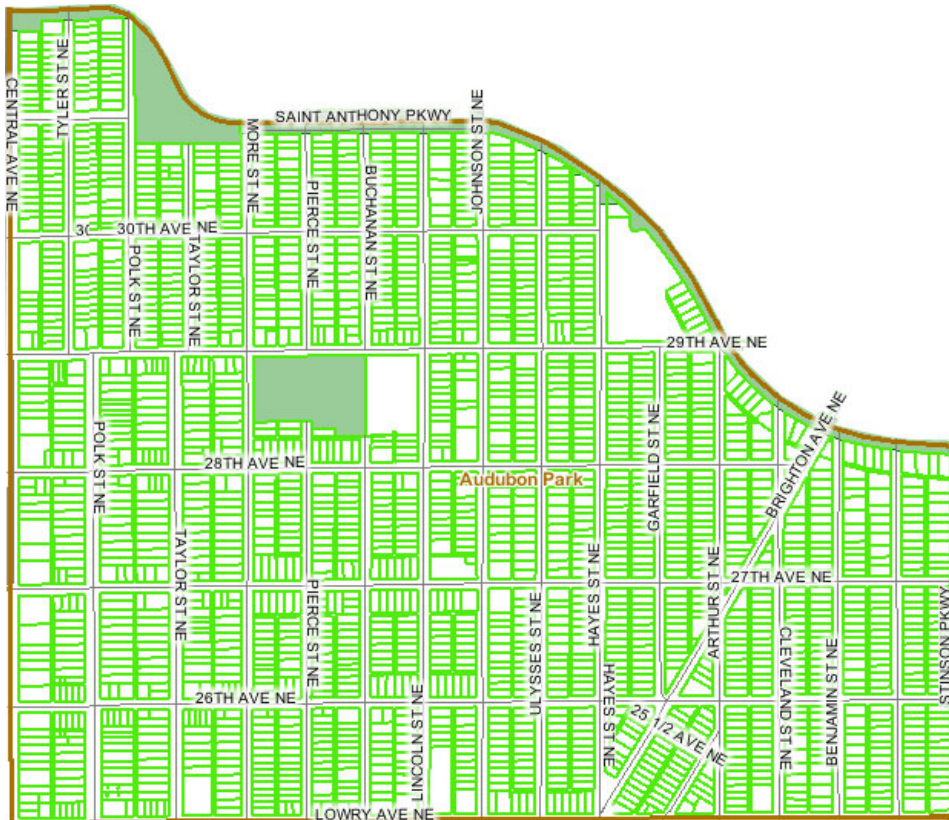


Minneapolis Police Department 2008 Neighborhood Policing Plan *Audubon Park Neighborhood*

Introduction:

The Audubon Park Neighborhood is in the Minneapolis Police Department's Second Precinct.

Neighborhood Map:



Precinct Contacts:

Second Precinct	612-673-5702
Crime Prevention Specialist (currently open; leave messages)	612-673-2797
Sector Commander	Lt. Bob Kroll 612-673-5702
Precinct Commander	Insp. Bob Skomra 612-673-5702

Overview:

The Audubon Park neighborhood is located in northeast Minneapolis. The neighborhood is bounded by Saint Anthony Parkway, Stinson Boulevard, Lowry Avenue and Central Avenue. Stinson Boulevard is also the city's border with Saint Anthony. The park and neighborhood are named in honor of John James Audubon, a great American naturalist and ornithologist. A majority of the houses in this relatively hilly neighborhood were built in the 1940s.

Crime Statistics:

While Audubon Park remains a safe neighborhood in northeast Minneapolis, a comparison of the 2007 *Part 1 Crime statistics with 2006 for the neighborhood shows that the number of Burglaries decreased from 127 to 61 and Aggravated Assaults from 28 to 15. All other crime categories decreased or stayed relatively the same. (*Part 1 Crimes include: Homicide, Rape, Robbery, Aggravated Assault, Burglary, Larceny/Theft, Auto Theft & Arson)

Neighborhood Concerns:

- The number of aforementioned Part 1 Crimes that have occurred in the neighborhood over the past calendar year.
- Problem Properties in the neighborhood.
- Business development along Central Avenue NE.
- Unsupervised youth in the community.

2008 Policing Strategy:

The Minneapolis Police Department has two citywide goals: reduce crime and improve the relationship with the community it serves. In the Audubon Park Neighborhood, we will be focusing on the following crime reduction strategies:

- Reducing Aggravated Assaults. Continue hosting Personal Safety Workshops (coordinated with the Sector Crime Prevention Specialist) to provide residents the opportunity to be safe when out in the neighborhood and promoting the utilization of the various City electronic technologies for information dissemination.
- Reducing Burglaries. Continue providing Home Security Audits on request from neighborhood residents for ideas to make their residences less inviting to potential burglars. (contact Crime Prevention Specialist for further information)
- Continue to encourage residents to report problems in the community by calling 911, 311 and/or their Crime Prevention Specialist to discuss their concerns.
- Utilizing the information received from the community by their reporting of problems via 911, 311 and/or the Sector Crime Prevention Specialist to assist in deploying the officers out in the precinct each week as discussed at the weekly CODEFOR meeting.

- Utilize the new Juvenile Supervision Center by taking youth picked up for Curfew and Truancy status offenses to the Center for assessment and referral.

We will also engage in two projects to increase the relationship with the community:

- We will increase communication with people in the neighborhood via the city WorkSite program and the precinct electronic e-mail notification program, which are designed to facilitate stronger communication and information sharing in the community through web-based technology.
- Provide Block Leader Training (contact Sector Crime Prevention Specialist) periodically throughout the year so residents are looking out for each other and that concerns are being directed to the proper City agency to handle.

Neighborhood Engagement:

While the Minneapolis Police Department has committed to a number of steps to improve policing service in Audubon Park, policing is a team sport and residents are a key part of that team. The collaboration of MPD and Residents, through the Audubon Park Neighborhood Organization, have committed to the following:

- New Neighborhood Block Club. Work towards adding at least one new block club in the Audubon Neighborhood during the year. To be promoted by the Neighborhood Association and trained by the Crime Prevention Specialist.
- Participating fully in utilization of the City technologies for the electronic dissemination of information.
- Assist the Minneapolis Police Department in promoting Block Leader Training and Personal Safety Workshops throughout the Audubon Park Neighborhood.
- Have Audubon Park Neighborhood represented at the monthly (every 2nd Monday of the month) 2nd Precinct Advisory Council (2 PAC) meeting at 6:00 PM at 1900 Central Ave NE.

For more information on the Audubon Park Neighborhood contact

<http://www.audubonneighborhood.org/>

2008 Performance Measures:

We will use the following criteria to measure success in the Audubon Park Neighborhood:

- 5% decrease in Part 1 Crimes in the neighborhood – continuing to concentrate on Burglary & Aggravated Robbery.
- Add at least one new block club in the neighborhood during the year.

AUDUBON PARK – 2007 NEIGHBORHOOD PLAN RESULTS

2007 Policing Strategy:

The Minneapolis Police Department has two citywide goals: reduce crime and improve the relationship with the community it serves. In the Audubon Park Neighborhood, we will be focusing on three specific crime reduction strategies:

- Reducing Aggravated Assaults. Hosting Personal Safety Workshops (coordinated with the Sector Crime Prevention Specialist) to provide residents the opportunity to be safe when out in the neighborhood and promoting the utilization of the various City electronic technologies for information dissemination. **Completed – PSWs were held**
- Reducing Burglaries. Providing Home Security Audits on request from neighborhood residents for ideas to make their residences less inviting to potential burglars. (contact Crime Prevention Specialist for further information) **Completed**
- Encouraging residents to report problems in the community by calling 911, 311 and/or their Crime Prevention Specialist to discuss their concerns. **Ongoing**
- Utilizing the information received from the community by their reporting of problems via 911, 311 and/or the Sector Crime Prevention Specialist to assist in deploying the officers out in the precinct each week as discussed at the weekly CODEFOR meeting. **Ongoing**

We will also engage in two projects to increase the relationship with the community:

- We will increase communication with people in the neighborhood via the city WorkSite program and the precinct electronic e-mail notification program, which are designed to facilitate stronger communication and information sharing in the community through web-based technology. **Ongoing**
- Provide Block Leader Training (contact Sector Crime Prevention Specialist) periodically throughout the year so residents are looking out for each other and that concerns are being directed to the proper City agency to handle. **Completed**

Neighborhood Engagement:

While the Minneapolis Police Department has committed to a number of steps to improve policing service in Audubon Park, policing is a team sport and residents need to be part of that team. The collaboration of MPD and Residents, through the Audubon Park Neighborhood Organization, have committed to the following:

- Participating fully in utilization of the City technologies for the electronic dissemination of information. **Ongoing**

- Assist the Minneapolis Police Department in promoting Block Leader Training and Personal Safety Workshops throughout the Audubon Park Neighborhood. **Completed**
- Have Audubon Park Neighborhood represented at the monthly (every 2nd Monday of the month) 2nd Precinct Advisory Council (2 PAC) meeting at 6:00 PM at 1900 Central Ave NE. **Completed**

2007 Performance Measures:

We will use the following criteria to measure our success in policing the Audubon Park Neighborhood:

- 5% decrease in Part 1 Crimes in the neighborhood – especially Burglary & Aggravated Robbery. **Completed**
- Increase in number of people that have signed on to utilize the City's technologies for the electronic dissemination of information. **Transferring to new e-mail system – measures not yet available**

--- end of 2008 Plan; 2007 Results for Audubon Park Neighborhood