Sheridan Neighborhood Organization
Neighborhood Priority Plan
Shared Parking Solutions

Sheridan Neighborhood Organization (SNO) proposes using up to $10,000 of our $45,000 of designated Neighborhood Priority Funds for 2012 - 2013 for shared parking solutions for neighborhood businesses. The proposal was made on August 26th and voted on September 23rd at monthly community meetings. This proposal is further implementation of the Arts Avenue Business Opportunities strategy (*Arts and Business 1.5, page 19)* of the Sheridan NRP Phase II Plan.

The plan supports businesses who are working together to improve available parking for neighborhood business patrons by paying for signs that state who can park in certain parking lots at what times.   For example, Sheridan Clinic and Early Learning Center use their parking lot during the day. Several adjacent businesses have a shortage of parking at night. These businesses are working together to share the cost and benefits of this parking. Similar agreements are being developed in the neighborhood by other businesses.

The signs will include the 13th Avenue NE Business District logo, developed by SNO as part of a Great Streets Grant, to add continuity to the signage in the neighborhood.

Since the days of Phase I NRP, Sheridan Neighborhood has experienced tremendous success in attracting businesses. In our most recent surveys, done over the last 2 years to develop our Small Area Plan, we see an overwhelming interest from SNO's membership to support and sustain our local businesses. Additionally, businesses have cited a need to address parking issues in order for existing and new businesses to thrive Arts Avenue. These surveys and discussions, both recent and over the years, highlight the need for creative parking solutions for our increasingly popular neighborhood.

SNO board applauds the efforts of our small businesses to address this shared community problem. This solution is beneficial to residents, patrons, institutions and businesses alike. It is a model we are encouraging others in the neighborhood to adopt.

Approved by the Sheridan Neighborhood Organization on September 23, 2013