

Neighborhood Name: Lyndale Neighborhood Association (LNA)

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Be the vehicle for community members to shape Lyndale's future.: Through this goal LNA will focus on reaching out and connecting with community members to identify issues and to support community members taking on these issues. LNA will do this through Project Plans, Block-Club Micro-Grants, and other activities.

Provide programs that help strengthen community members' and the neighborhood's capacity.: We know there are some issues that will be long-term issues for community members and that the best way to address them is to develop long-term programs that help people build their individual capacity and to build the neighborhood's capacity. To address these issues LNA will create programs to work on these issues over time; some examples of this are the Lyndale education and home loan programs.

Build a neighborhood where community members from different backgrounds have meaningful relationships with each other.: As a diverse neighborhood with three primary cultural groups LNA has been working hard to build bridging connections between people who have different backgrounds. This is easily the most challenging work we do as an organization. We will continue this work through community events, block clubs, and other activities.

Be the go-to resource for the neighborhood.: LNA has worked hard to be the go-to resource for the neighborhood, to do this staff spends a lot of time trying to make sure people have the information they need to be active and engaged community members. We do this through the newspaper, website, electronic newsletters, and lots of other ways. Staff also spends a lot of time helping people navigate through the morass of our local governmental systems. Under the new plan LNA will continue this work.

Have the human, financial, and organizational resources to accomplish our vision: To make this plan a reality LNA needs to have the capacity to implement the plan. This includes having the people power, which includes staff and volunteers, real financial resources, and the organizational capacity to make this vision a reality. Through this plan LNA will continue to support a professional staff, continue to try and diversify and expand our revenue sources, and help staff and volunteers grow their skills.