Welcome!

Today’s Agenda

- Choice Neighborhoods Workshop #6
- Final People Plan - Goals + Strategies
- Next steps
Schedule

- Kick Off Meeting
- Resident Survey
- Resident Focus Groups
- Task Force Meeting #7
- Plan Complete

Choice Neighborhoods

Assessment Engagement

Visioning Preliminary Ideas

Final Plan

Winter Spring Summer Fall 2021

Winter Spring Summer Fall 2022
Choice Neighborhoods Workshop #6

We held our last workshop (round 6) on November 15 at the Reach Opportunity Center
We reviewed the Choice Neighborhoods process in context with the Land Use and Civic Commons work.
We updated residents on what the City has been doing in Summit Lake.
Early action activity - New gathering space

Pilot installation happening now!

With permanent build in 2023
We summarized the People Plan recommendations and asked residents to tell us their priorities.

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**Anything missing?** Write it on a sticky note.
Residents are proud to live in Summit Lake with its strong sense of community and neighbors who look out for one another.

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**Resident-first approach**
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### Vision for the Future:
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### What are your top 5 priorities?

**Tackle quality of life issues in the neighborhood**

1. Grow the work and activity of the Summit Lake Community Development Corporation
2. Support the establishment and growth of small businesses
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**Invest in parks and open spaces designed for the community**

5. Activate existing parks with year-round programming and events
6. Develop new open space away from the lake
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8. Address the quality of existing rental housing stock

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12. Make neighborhood streets pedestrian- and bicycle-friendly
Neighborhood Spotlight

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We presented the housing concept for the Summit Lake Apartments.

Draft Housing Concept Plan

- Approximately 300 units from one to four bedroom in a variety of building types, including townhomes, walk-up apartment buildings and a senior apartment building.
- Keeps the street network that connects the site back to the community.
- Every street will have sidewalks and trees.
- Every intersection will include safe pedestrian crossings.
- All buildings will have doors that face the street to promote resident safety.
- Each residential building will have front and back yards that clearly identify what is private versus public outdoor space.
- Residents will be able to park in off-street areas as well as on the street, with over 350 parking spaces across the site.
- A Community Center/event space for resident use is included.
- The site and buildings are designed to maximize accessibility for people with physical disabilities.
**Housing Type Examples**

**Townhomes**
- 2 to 3-story units
- Each apartment has a private entrance and porch
- Units can be designed to look like individual units with different fronts
- Can include no-step accessible units on the ground floor with a walk-up flat above

**Walk-Up Apartments**
- 3-story building
- Apartments are one-level with units located above one another
- The entrance for each apartment is located off a shared stairway in the middle of the building

**Senior Apartments**
- 3 to 4-story building
- Building will have a lobby plus elevator
- Residents of the building will share common spaces
- The entrance for each apartment is off a hallway accessed by the elevator
We gave residents a preview of next steps for 2023 and provided sign up sheets to get involved.

### Get involved!

**Immediate Next Step:**
Transformation Plan due December 16, 2022

**Here's what is coming up in 2023:**
- Finalize housing plan
- Secure land in the neighborhood for new housing
- Identify and secure funding and partner commitments
- Develop relocation plan
- Continue resident engagement
- Apply for a Choice Neighborhoods Implementation grant

### Questions? Comments?
Write it on a sticky note.

**Sign up and stay involved!**
Add your name to the sign up sheet to stay involved and let us know what you are most interested in working on.
Overall People Goal:

AMHA and its People partners provide Summit Lake residents the opportunity to connect with the services and programs most important to them using a resident-first approach. Under a resident-first approach, Summit Lake residents work side-by-side with AMHA and its People Partners to design, inform and assess the services and programs available to best meet the community’s needs and support households with achieving their personal outcomes.
How we going to achieve the overall People goal

- Establish and regularly convene a Summit Lake Anchor Partner Coalition that includes anchor partners and Summit Lake residents. “Anchor” partners are service organizations who:
  - are open to changing their approach to service delivery including piloting new programs in Summit Lake
  - are ready to make a long-term commitment to consistent involvement in the community
  - understand that program participation may take time to grow
  - are willing to assess and modify their policies and practices to align with being a trauma-informed and culturally competent organization
  - are excited about working with AMHA to chart a new path
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- Prioritize actions and activities that support relationship and trust building between residents and between residents and service partners, including:
  - Dedicate a full-time AMHA Service Coordinator to Summit Lake
  - Execute data sharing agreements with service partners to streamline the collection and sharing of information to reduce resident service fatigue as well as assess impact of services provided
  - Expand the Resident Ambassador program and build their capacity to serve as resident liaisons with AMHA and do community building and outreach
How we going to achieve the overall People goal

- Capitalize on existing space assets within Summit Lake to offer services and programs that meet residents where they are, including:
  - Reach Opportunity Center
  - Summit Lake Community Center
  - Summit Lake Nature Center
  - George Sisler Field
  - Community Room at Summit Lake Apartments
People Plan - Sub Goals + Strategies

Sub Goal 1 (Education): Summit Lake youth have access to effective programs and services throughout their educational life course.

- **Early childhood (birth to 5)**
  - Expand the number of local high quality *childcare options* for *working, looking for work, and stay-at home parents*
  - Assist parents with enrolling in appropriate childcare programs and *applying for childcare subsidies* if eligible
  - ***Work with existing early childhood programs in Summit Lake to *prioritize admission of local residents* for available slots***

Key partners: AMHA’s Early Childhood Initiative, Community Action Akron Summit, Akron Area YMCA, Akron Public Schools, Ohio Means Jobs, Summit Education Initiative
Sub Goal 1 (Education): continued

- **School-Age (5 to 17)**
  - ***Form a *teen/tween advisory group* to inform out-of-school time program offerings and form***
  - Leverage *existing spaces within Summit Lake* to host expanded out-of-school time offerings
  - Collaborate with local organizations to maximize the *reach of available transportation options* for Summit Lake students

Key partners: Reach Opportunity Center, Akron Area YMCA, Students With A Goal, Summit Lake Community Center, Summit Lake Build Corps, Summit Lake Nature Center, Akron Public Schools, Summit Education Initiative
Sub Goal 1 (Education): continued

- **Transition Age Youth (14 to 22)**
  - Connect youth interested in *post-secondary education* with appropriate supports and mentorship
  - ***Link interested youth with career exploration and school-time and summer youth employment programs***

Key partners: AMHA JobsPlus Program, OhioMeansJobs, Akron Public Schools, Stark State College, Summit Lake Build Corps
People Plan - Sub Goals + Strategies

Sub Goal 2 (Employment): Work-able Summit Lake adults are employed in living wage positions with benefits.

- Expand the satellite OhioMeansJobs Center at the Reach Opportunity Center
- Work with current workforce programs in Summit Lake to assess local participation and changes needed to increase local enrollment
- ***Establish a training and employment pipeline for Summit Lake residents focused on anticipated local employment opportunities like the redevelopment of Summit Lake Apartments, construction of the North Shore, and future new housing in the neighborhood
Sub Goal 2 (Employment): continued

- Execute a community benefits agreement with the organizations carrying out new development activity in Summit Lake with commitments to prioritizing the hiring of local qualified residents
- Launch a grassroots small business/entrepreneur peer group to nurture and grow “side-hustles” into formal businesses

**Sub Goal 3 (Health):** Summit Lake residents are physically, mentally, emotionally and socially resilient.

- Establish a *satellite health facility* in Summit Lake
- ***Connect residents with or bring free/low-cost specialized health services (*vision, dental, mammograms*) to Summit Lake
- Expand the reach of the current *Community Health Worker* (CHW) program to serve all households
- Form a *resident Community Wellness Committee* that directs and helps plan events and activities that happen on-site

Key partners: AMHA Resident Services Department, Cleveland Clinic/Akron General Hospital, Akron Children’s Hospital, Minority Behavioral Health Group, Portage Path Behavioral Health, Summit County Public Health, Summit MetroParks
Sub Goal 4 (Household Supports): Summit Lake households are connected with resources that empower them to thrive.

- ***Continue working with local organizations to address transportation barriers to service and employment
- Offer wealth-building and financial management workshops including access to safe and affordable banking products
- Link seniors and residents with a disability to local resources that specialize in empowering these populations to live independently

Key partners: AMHA Resident Services Department, Goodwill Akron, Akron Public Schools, United Way of Summit & Medina, Direction Home
People Plan

- **Youth and Education**
  - Post high-school supports
  - Out of school time programs
  - Early childhood resources
  - Transportation Access
  - Wealth building
  - Senior & disability services

- **Employment**
  - Job training and placement
  - Entrepreneurship programs
  - Education programs
  - Health
  - Local hire opportunities

- **Household Supports**
  - Collaboration of anchor partners & residents
  - Focus on relationship and trust building
  - Build on existing assets

**Resident-first approach**
Next Steps

- **Final Transformation Plan - due December 16**
- **Move toward implementation in 2023**
  - Convene the Anchor Partner Coalition and establish shared goals and timelines, organizational commitments and data sharing agreements
  - Recruit and engage Summit Lake residents for the Anchor Partner Coalition, Resident Ambassador program, teen/tween advisory group and Community Wellness Committee
  - Commit to implementing one activity within each sub area during the year
  - Apply for Choice Neighborhoods Implementation funding