



# ARPNI Neighborhood Survey Findings

The Albina-Rockwood Promise Neighborhood Initiative (ARPNI) vision is that all children excel and every family thrives.

Self Enhancement, Inc. (SEI) has partnered up with the Native American Youth and Family Center (NAYA), Latino Network, Metropolitan Family Service (MFS), Albina Head Start, Immigrant & Refugee Community Organization (IRCO), and United Way of the Columbia-Willamette (UWCW) to deliver resources, support students, and empower families in the Reynolds School District and Portland Public Schools.

## Our Neighborhood Survey

In 2019, the ARPNI began work on a Neighborhood Survey of the Albina and Rockwood neighborhoods. The neighborhood survey was developed with four key goals in mind to:

- Learn more about the experiences and priorities of families in the Albina and Rockwood neighborhoods
- Gather data to help inform programming and staffing
- Establish a baseline and track progress of the ARPNI over time
- Assess opportunities for advocacy

The neighborhood survey was administered from November 2019 - March 2020. The survey will be conducted again in spring of 2021 and 2023.



"It's important for people know they are not alone. We are sending the message that your voice matters and we are all part of this community."

-Pajlee Yang, Community Researcher

# What did we learn about safety and housing?

## Home ownership



**61%** of families in Albina reported owning their homes

**19%** of families in Rockwood reported owning their homes

## People in my neighborhood can be trusted



**90%** of families in Albina agreed (10% disagreed)

**52%** of families in Rockwood agreed (48% disagreed)

## Feel safe walking alone or moving about their neighborhood at night



**77%** of families in Albina

**40%** of families in Rockwood



When neighbors feel safe and trust each other, they feel connected to their communities. Owning homes, instead of renting, means families are more likely to stay in their neighborhoods--and have the time needed to build stronger relationships and deeper connections.

ARPNI partners provide wrap-around services to support family stability, like short-term rental assistance.

# What did we learn about education?

## Early literacy



**91%** of families in Albina reported reading to their child at least three times per week

**57%** of families in Rockwood reported reading to their child at least three times per week

## Higher Education



**95%** of families in Albina said that their child is likely to go to college

28% reported never speaking to their high school age children about college

**90%** of families in Rockwood said that their child is likely to go to college

42% reported never speaking to their high school age children about college



When asked about what kinds of programs or support could help improve their child's attendance in school, families across neighborhoods identified after-school programs (37%) and 1:1 mentorship for their child (36%) as top priorities.

ARPNI partners provide culturally-specific and culturally-responsive programming, like after-school programs and mentoring, in Albina and Rockwood.

# Cradle-to-Career Services

The ARPNI is working to address the priorities and concerns surfaced in the Neighborhood Survey. We provide services on a cradle-to-career continuum to ensure that all students have access to great schools and strong systems of family and community support.



## Early Learning

Culturally and linguistically-specific programs prepare students and families to enter Kindergarten ready to succeed.



## Elementary School

Academic tutoring, reading groups, and after-school enrichment programs ensure educational success among elementary school-aged children.



## Middle/High

Culturally-specific case management, and after school and summer programs offer individualized support to middle and high school students through graduation.



## College/Career:

Continued support, resources, and early college/career exposure assist students transitioning to a new chapter in life.



## Wrap Around Services:

The ARPNI strengthens community through a network of services designed to help families gain stability and achieve self-sufficiency.

# What changes do YOU want to see?

ARPNI is engaging families and parent leaders involved to help us identify how to use these data findings. You can also provide your input here: <https://tinyurl.com/ARPNIInput>

Read the full Neighborhood Survey report and learn more about the ARPNI at: <https://www.arpromiseneighborhood.org/report>



“We want residents to know we are here to serve them and to listen to their concerns. The survey is about building stronger communities together.”

- Amanda Shannahan, United Way