The Near Westside Neighborhood Speaker Series
Event and Workshop Summary

SAFEGROWTH THEORY AS A METHOD OF CRIME PREVENTION IN NEIGHBORHOODS

November 15, 2017
Host Neighborhood: Near Westside
Location: St. Lucy’s Church

The Near Westside Neighborhood hosted a Visioning Voices Event on November 15th in St. Lucy’s Church. A total of 60 city residents and community organization members participated in a series of activities that focused on the topic of how to bring safety into the neighborhoods and ways to prevent crime in supporting, healthy communities.

Following Greg Saville’s introduction to CPTED principles (Crime Prevention through Environmental Design), participants gathered for a neighborhood tour to visit the surrounding areas of the community. Saville later presented a lecture about the process of Safegrowth and how it can be applied to bring safety in urban neighborhoods. Meanwhile, community members gathered together to share ideas about the improvement of the Near Westside neighborhood. Then at the closing of the event, participants were asked to fill out an evaluation survey. Additional comments were provided by the speaker series organizing committee. Based on the evaluation comments, the participants were greatly interested in learning new safety strategies that they could implement in their own neighborhoods.

“Great to hear different perspectives and views of the community”
“Great workshop, great engagement”
“Exceeded my expectations by explaining how CPTED is advancing”

- Event Survey Responses

Upcoming Event:
There are two upcoming Visioning Voices Events for Spring 2018 that will be informed in near future. If your neighborhood is interested in becoming a host neighborhood for future events, or would like to suggest topics and/or future speakers please email the Center for Community Design Research at ccdr@esf.edu

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