



Minutes of Tower Grove Heights Neighborhood Association Meeting - January 22, 2019
Convened: 7:15 p.m. Adjourned: 8:25 p.m. 22 attendees

Meeting chaired by TGHNA President, Ann Stanley (president@towergroveheights.com)

- **Opening of meeting and welcome**

- Newcomer recognition
 - Welcome to the new attendees from 3500 Arsenal and MacDonald

- **Neighborhood Reports**

- **15th Ward Aldermanic report** - Alderperson Megan Green (megan@meganellyiagreen.com / 314-591-9587)
 - No report - Alderman absent.
- **Neighborhood Improvement Specialist/ NSO, Katie Wolf** (wolfk@stlouis-mo.gov or 314-657-1374)
 - Katie reports she has been doing a survey of vacant properties in order to determine which properties will need to be mowed in the spring. She encourages you to call her with concerns regarding properties that may be vacant or not maintained.
 - She is aware of collapsed garage on 3800 block of Humphrey and believes home owners are working on repairs.
 - She reports that she is aware of separate SLACO survey of vacant properties but unsure if the city and SLACO are sharing data.

SLMPD 2nd District update - Liaison Officer Ed Slade (edslade@slmpd.org)

- Officer Slade not present
- President Ann Stanley reported he had attended Safety Committee Meeting on 1/21/19 with report.
- See attachment for crime stats.

- **Committee Reports**

- **Safety Committee** - Ryan Barry (safety@towergroveheights.com) and Barbara Gilchrist
 - Many thanks to everyone who attended, donated to or volunteered to help with the Safety Committee's well-attended "Pizza for Cameras" fundraiser on November 4 which raised approximately \$6700.
 - Final selection of type of camera has been made by the safety committee and they will be presenting to the board for approval at the February meeting. Once finalized by the board, homeowners who showed interest in having cameras installed on their property will be contacted. If you are interested in participating, please contact the safety committee at the email address above.
 - STLPD is interested in incorporating a more affordable surveillance camera in neighborhoods thanks to the research done by the committee.
 - Tower Grove Heights NOM (Neighborhood Ownership Model) which is a program established by the circuit attorney's office to help stabilize neighborhoods, track crime, and support victims. They co-sponsored an event with Shaw NOM and Tower Grove East NOM called CeaseFire with Lewis Reed. CeaseFire is a program used in other large cities to reduce violent crime.
 - Regarding vacant property at 3619 Humphrey, Barbara gave update on progress. TGHNA is pursuing legal action with help from Peter Hoffman against the current homeowner for neglect. Currently owner has 30 days to show "good faith" to address multiple code violations against the nuisance property. The case is in property/municipal court with due to its status of condemned and the multiple code violations.

- **Treasurer's Report - Rick Stein** (treasurer@towergroveheights.com)
 - *The ending net worth for 2018 is \$15,853.17.*
 - *See attachment for Annual Treasury Report for 2018.*
 - *Annual audit: Rick suggested voting for member-at-large Robert Ashton to act as member representative for annual audit committee with Ryan Barry as Board Member (President-elect). Motion was seconded, no opposition from TGHNA member vote.*

- **Membership - Jean Iezzi** (membership@towergroveheights.com), unable to attend.
 - *There are currently 351 TGHNA members. To join for as little as \$10 per year go to <http://towergroveheights.com/membership-registration/> . Members receive the annual Buzz Book and are entitled to vote at meetings.*

- **Block Captains - Debra Knox Deiermann** (blockreps@towergroveheights.com)
 - *We are happy to report that we again have a full complement of TGH Block Captains but more Block Captains are needed for the larger Tower Grove South area. For more information, check out the Block Captain tab on www.towergroveheights.com.*
 - *The January meeting of block captains was in conjunction with Tower Grove South block captains where crime prevention and management were the main topics of discussion*
 - *Reminder: TGHNA will reimburse for a street closure permit (one per year) for any TGH block party. (No fee for permits for block parties on National Night Out, the first Tuesday in October).*

- **Communications Report - Debra Knox Deiermann** (communications@towergroveheights.com)
 - *To keep up with the latest neighborhood news, sign up for this low-traffic list by contacting communications@towergroveheights.com. If you have already signed up but are not getting monthly notices, please check your spam or junk folder.*

- **Speakers to discuss Insights and Perspectives on Homelessness: Laurie Phillips, CEO St. Patricks Center and Rachel Witt, Executive Director of South Grand Community Improvement District** (www.stpatrickcenter.org) (www.southgrand.org)
 - *St. Patricks Center works with the Housing First methodology by using coordinated entry, rapid rehousing, permanent supportive housing and client engagement. They provide housing services and development, mental/physical/behavioral health services, and workforce training and placement.*
 - *1000 transitionally homeless in the St. Louis area with 100 being chronically homeless.*
 - *South Grand has seen an increase in homeless population in 2018.*
 - *South Grand Business district is sponsoring a training seminar on January 28 regarding management and interaction with homeless population.*
 - *Audience voiced concern regarding panhandlers. Rachel suggested calling 911 if it is aggressive in nature as that can lead to neighborhood order of protection.*
 - *Please check out attached resources provided by St. Patricks Center located at 800 N. Tucker Blvd. St. Louis, MO 63101. 314-802-0700*

- **Announcements**
 - *2019 TGHNA President, Ann Stanley, announced the February meeting will feature Judge Edwards, Director of Public Safety for City of St. Louis. Please forward any program suggestions to president@towergroveheights.com.*
 - *Upcoming Events:*
 - *1/24: 6:45-8:30- 15th Ward Democrats President Board of Alderman Forum, Carpenter Library*
 - *1/28: 2:30-3:30- St. Patrick Center workshop, Carpenter Library*
 - *2/2: All day- SLACO Annual Meeting, Forest Park Community College*
 - *Next TGSNA meeting: Wednesday, February 20th, 6:30 p.m. at Oak Hill Presbyterian Church, 4111 Connecticut. Everyone is welcome to attend!*
 - *Next TGHNA meeting: Tuesday, February 26, 2019, 7:15 p.m. at Center for Divine Love, 3617 Wyoming. Everyone is welcome to attend!*

- **Adjournment**

Respectfully submitted,
Melissa Barry, Secretary
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TGHNA values and seeks a diverse membership. The TGHNA Board recognizes and values the importance of inclusion.

Part I Crime for "January" Coding Month

Tower Grove South | District - 2

Years: 2018 & 2019

	Total Coded In	-- Coded Thru Jan 20 M-T-D --				Total	----- Coded Thru Jan 20 Y-T-D -----			
	Jan 2018	2018	2019	Chg.	% Chg.	thru Jan 2018	2018	2019	Chg	% Chg.
Total Homicide	2	1	0	-1	-100.0 %	2	1	0	-1	-100.0 %
Homicide	2	1	0	-1	-100.0 %	2	1	0	-1	-100.0 %
Non-Negligent Manslaughter	0	0	0	0	0.0 %	0	0	0	0	0.0 %
# Negligent Manslaughter	0	0	0	0	0.0 %	0	0	0	0	0.0 %
Total Rape	0	0	1	1	NA	0	0	1	1	NA
Forced Rape	0	0	1	1	NA	0	0	1	1	NA
Attempted Rape	0	0	0	0	0.0 %	0	0	0	0	0.0 %
Total Robbery	5	2	7	5	250.0 %	5	2	7	5	250.0 %
Highway	1	0	5	5	NA	1	0	5	5	NA
Business	1	1	1	0	0.0 %	1	1	1	0	0.0 %
Miscellaneous	0	0	0	0	0.0 %	0	0	0	0	0.0 %
* Weapon	5	2	6	4	200.0 %	5	2	6	4	200.0 %
* No Weapon	0	0	1	1	NA	0	0	1	1	NA
Carjacking	3	1	1	0	0.0 %	3	1	1	0	0.0 %
Total Aggr. Assault	7	1	3	2	200.0 %	7	1	3	2	200.0 %
Firearm	1	1	2	1	100.0 %	1	1	2	1	100.0 %
Knife	1	0	0	0	0.0 %	1	0	0	0	0.0 %
Other	5	0	1	1	NA	5	0	1	1	NA
Hand/Fist/Feet	0	0	0	0	0.0 %	0	0	0	0	0.0 %
# Simple Assault	0	0	7	7	NA	0	0	7	7	NA
TOTAL PERSON CRIME	14	4	11	7	175.0 %	14	4	11	7	175.0 %
Total Burglary	4	2	3	1	50.0 %	4	2	3	1	50.0 %
Residence - Day	3	1	1	0	0.0 %	3	1	1	0	0.0 %
Residence - Night	1	1	1	0	0.0 %	1	1	1	0	0.0 %
Residence - Time Unknown	0	0	1	1	NA	0	0	1	1	NA
Business - Day	0	0	0	0	0.0 %	0	0	0	0	0.0 %
Business - Night	0	0	0	0	0.0 %	0	0	0	0	0.0 %
Business - Time Unknown	0	0	0	0	0.0 %	0	0	0	0	0.0 %
Other - Day	0	0	0	0	0.0 %	0	0	0	0	0.0 %
Other - Night	0	0	0	0	0.0 %	0	0	0	0	0.0 %
Other - Time Unknown	0	0	0	0	0.0 %	0	0	0	0	0.0 %
* Force	2	1	1	0	0.0 %	2	1	1	0	0.0 %
* No Force	2	1	2	1	100.0 %	2	1	2	1	100.0 %
* Attempt	0	0	0	0	0.0 %	0	0	0	0	0.0 %
Total Larceny	26	15	15	0	0.0 %	26	15	15	0	0.0 %
Pickpocket	0	0	0	0	0.0 %	0	0	0	0	0.0 %
Purse Snatch	0	0	0	0	0.0 %	0	0	0	0	0.0 %
Shoplift	4	2	10	8	400.0 %	4	2	10	8	400.0 %
From Motor Vehicle	3	2	2	0	0.0 %	3	2	2	0	0.0 %
Motor Vehicle Parts	12	7	2	-5	-71.4 %	12	7	2	-5	-71.4 %
Bicycles	0	0	0	0	0.0 %	0	0	0	0	0.0 %
From Buildings	6	4	1	-3	-75.0 %	6	4	1	-3	-75.0 %
From Coin Operated	0	0	0	0	0.0 %	0	0	0	0	0.0 %
Other	1	0	0	0	0.0 %	1	0	0	0	0.0 %
* Attempt	0	0	0	0	0.0 %	0	0	0	0	0.0 %
Total Vehicle Theft	7	5	6	1	20.0 %	7	5	6	1	20.0 %
Auto	7	5	4	-1	-20.0 %	7	5	4	-1	-20.0 %
Truck/Bus	0	0	1	1	NA	0	0	1	1	NA
Motorcycle/Other	0	0	1	1	NA	0	0	1	1	NA
* Attempt	1	1	0	-1	-100.0 %	1	1	0	-1	-100.0 %
* Joy Ride	0	0	3	3	NA	0	0	3	3	NA
Total Arson	1	1	0	-1	-100.0 %	1	1	0	-1	-100.0 %
TOTAL PROPERTY CRIME	38	23	24	1	4.3 %	38	23	24	1	4.3 %
TOTAL CRIME	52	27	35	8	29.6 %	52	27	35	8	29.6 %

These counts were included in a previous line.

- These entries are not reflected in any group totals.

NOTE: Data collection for Carjackings began in January, 2018.

TGHNA 2018 Financial Summary

Major Ongoing annual expenses and sources of revenue

Item Name	Expenses		Revenue		Notes
	Description	Amount	Description	Amount	
Gazette newsletter (4 issues):	Layout, design, printing, etc.	\$4,541.75	Ads	\$3,882.00	Other relevant details
Autumn Fest / Block party:	Food, supplies, etc.	\$2,259.41	Sponsorships and Ticket sales	\$3,988.07	
LifeGhis Nights and events:	Supplies, promotion, gift certificates, food/drink	\$62.44	Sales, raffles, etc.	0	
Buzz Book:	Printing	\$294.00		0	
Church space for monthly meetings:	Center for Divine Love	\$275.00		0	
Post office box rental:	Annual Fee	\$296.00		0	
Website:	Domain name registration and site hosting	\$464.64		0	Also includes virus protection, and goes through Aug., 2020
PayPal commission:	Percentage of payments taken in	\$246.27		0	
Insurance:	Liability	\$1,154.00		0	
Block parties for individual blocks:	Street permits	\$400.00		0	
Misc.:	Copying, postage, supplies, gov't filing, etc.	\$305.54		0	
Membership dues:		0	Annual and lifetime memberships	\$2,205.00	
Sales:		0	Greeting Cards and t-shirts	\$20.00	
Interest:		0	On bank account	\$22.47	
Amazon Smile and Schuucks eShop:		0	From orders where TGHNA is designated	\$80.14	
Donations:		0	Thank you!	\$18.00	
Totals	Total 2018 expenses from these items	\$9,939.05	Total 2018 revenue from these sources	\$10,215.68	

Source	100 Neediest Cases		Description of money source	Amount	Other relevant details
	What expense goes toward	Amount			
Spent only out of donations for this purpose	2017 Families' utility bills	\$2,550.00	Cash/PayPal donations	\$2,300.00	*Most donated money deposited, and all utilities paid, just after New Year's, so it was counted in 2018 financials.
Spent out of general fund	2017 Copying of flyers	\$118.45	General TGHNA funds	\$118.45	
Spent only out of donations for this purpose	2018 Families' utility bills	\$3,550.00	Cash/PayPal donations	\$3,550.00	
Spent out of general fund	2018 Copying of flyers	\$115.50	General TGHNA funds	\$115.50	

Balances from 2014 Street Signs initiative (in reserve for sign repairs/replacements/additional signs) and 2018 Camera initiative

Crowdsourcing initiative for street signs (All donations in 2014 so far)	Balance is donations minus expenses (including \$28.34 in PayPal commissions)	\$528.27	No change in 2018
Fundraising initiative for cameras (All donations in 2018 so far)	Balance is the total amount of donations to date	\$6,701.00	Courtesy of Dave Dilani's generous donations of space, food, and staffing for pizza event

Expenses and Income specific to 2018

Donations		
Fund/Nonprofit	Description	Amount
TG Farmers Market	Farmers Market in Tower Grove Park	\$250.00
Friends of Tower Grove Park	Sponsored a fundraising event	\$250.00
South Grand Cultural Alliance	Sponsoring South Grand events	\$650.00
Tower Grove Pride Festival (vendor fee)	Event in Ritz Park and along South Grand	\$75.00
The widow of retired Officer Ralph Harper	All money was donated during the camera event	\$170.00
Total		\$1,395.00

Purchases		
Item	Purpose	Amount
Signs & Sign holders/Supplies, Projector cable	Event/Meeting publicizing and presentations	\$548.55

Net Worth Summary (including balance for Street Signs project)

Starting net worth as of 12/31/17:	\$11,133.04
Ending net worth as of 12/31/18:	\$15,853.17
Change in net worth for 2018:	+\$4,720.13

HOUSING FIRST

➔ AGENCY WIDE

We provided rental assistance and case management services to **2,177** clients and their family members.

- Of these clients and their family members, **599** were **NEW** housing placements.
- **26%** of these clients were veterans.



ABOUT OUR POPULATION

- **61%** men/**39%** women
- **18%** veterans
- **10%** people who are chronically homeless
- Nearly **20%** of our clients self-reported a behavioral health issue; **15%** reported a substance use issue; and **13%** reported a chronic health issue.



ANNUAL REPORT

FISCAL YEAR 2017



103
HOMELESSNESS
PREVENTED

2,177
HOUSING SUPPORT



599
NEW HOUSING
PLACEMENTS



HOUSING FIRST

➔ COORDINATED ENTRY

St. Patrick Center is the lead agency for Coordinated Entry, a multi-agency effort under Housing First. St. Patrick Center and Biddle Housing Opportunities Center are Front Doors - centralized locations where people can go for intakes, assessments, meals, shelter and housing coordination.

We completed **3,430** intakes and assessments.

- Of these clients, **64%** were referred to St. Patrick Center and **36%** were referred to other agencies.
- Of the clients referred to us, **60%** followed up with services from a St. Patrick Center program.
- We prevented homelessness for **103** clients, at an average cost of \$211. What did they need? Housing deposit, Greyhound bus ticket home, rental assistance, utility assistance and short-term hotel stay.



- **178,000+** hot meals 
- **36,000** emergency shelter nights 

Based on data, about **13%** of the people who walk through our doors need minimal assistance to get back on their feet and stabilized in housing.

68% of our clients are candidates for Rapid Rehousing.

19% qualify for Permanent Supportive Housing, with longer-term, more intensive case management and support.



HOUSING FIRST

➡ RAPID REHOUSING

Rapid Rehousing is an intervention that rapidly connects individuals and families to permanent housing. It includes targeted support services, such as case management, housing identification, rent and move-in assistance, and behavioral health services.

We provided rental assistance and case management services to 961 clients and their family members.

- Of these, 487 were NEW housing placements. 
- 60% increased their incomes. 

➡ PERMANENT SUPPORTIVE HOUSING

Permanent Supportive Housing is an intervention that combines non-time-limited affordable housing assistance with wrap-around support services. The primary goals are to move people who are chronically homeless into housing, help them maintain that housing and assist them with building their own support systems in the community.

We provided rental assistance and case management services to 1,216 clients and their family members.

- Of these, 112 were NEW housing placements. 
- 59% increased their incomes. 

HOUSING FIRST

➔ CLIENT ENGAGEMENT

Housing First does not mean housing only. Support services are necessary for Housing First to succeed. They help people get stable and lead productive lives. As part of the St. Louis collaborative effort, St. Patrick Center provides a comprehensive approach, offering support services that we do well and referring clients to other agencies and their areas of expertise.

We helped **295** clients find jobs.

- These jobs increased economic stability for **414** people, including family members.



- We helped **371** clients find medical homes by providing healthcare referrals and on-site nursing visits through our partnership with Affinia Healthcare.



- **1,237** clients actively worked on reducing their substance use by attending recovery group meetings.



- We provided **10,000** referrals to connect our clients with support services provided by other agencies.



FROM THE CEO

We're all in this together. Partnerships and collaborations are critical to ending chronic homelessness and St. Patrick Center is fortunate to have many community partners. This collective response is improving lives - one person, one family at a time - and enhancing the neighborhoods where we live and work.



Housing First, the evidence-based practice that ends homelessness, is also critical. The primary focus of Fiscal Year 2017 - the second year of our Strategic Plan - was changing our organizational structure to align with the Housing First methodology.

Our mission has not changed in 35 years. We still help people who are homeless or at risk. We've learned a lot, and we've adapted. We've embraced Housing First as the solution. We're working better and smarter with our partners to be instruments of change for our clients.

Living out our core values of Trust, Ownership, Collaboration and Innovation in our internal and external relationships, we will end homelessness for thousands of people in the St. Louis region. Through Housing First. Together.

Laurie Phillips
CEO



- 49% Government funding
- 22% Contributions and fundraising events
- 15% Other
- 9% Fees and services
- 5% Contributed goods and services



- 88% Program services
- 12% Administration and fundraising

Does not include depreciation and grants for capital projects. Consolidated with subsidiary operations. At time of publication, statements were unaudited.

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VOLUNTEERS

4,634

VOLUNTEERS



44,630

HOURS DONATED



\$1,077,368

FINANCIAL VALUE



STUDENTS

21

PRACTICUM STUDENTS
AND INTERNS

Areas of study: social work,
rehabilitation counselling,
occupational therapy,
psychology and marketing

Educational institutions:

Benedictine College,
Fontbonne University, Maryville
University, St. Louis University,
University of Missouri-St. Louis
and Washington University





I need help. What do I do?

If you or someone you know is homeless or at risk, here is what to do:

- If it is an emergency, call **9-1-1**.
- If you are homeless, call the **Housing Helpline** at **(314) 802-5444**.
- If you are at risk of becoming homeless, call the **United Way** at **2-1-1** or **1-800-427-4626**.
- If you are homeless or at risk, **go to the St. Patrick Center Welcome Center** (side entrance) at 800 N. Tucker Blvd. to meet with a specialist. All intakes and assessments are conducted at St. Patrick Center. No appointment is necessary.
 - Morning discovery sessions begin at 8am.
 - Afternoon discovery sessions begin at 1pm.
 - Weekend discovery sessions begin at 9:30am.
 - St. Patrick Center serves lunch to the community at noon, seven days a week.

What is Coordinated Entry?

Coordinated Entry is an easy way for people experiencing homelessness to access services.

- It's a multi-agency effort, with many service providers working together.
- It includes meals, shelter, assessment, homelessness prevention and housing coordination.
- The end goal is placement into housing!

For directions to St. Patrick Center, see map on back.