



**Building Better Communities Committee
Meeting Minutes – Tuesday, July 25, 2023**

**12:00pm Virtual Zoom Webinar
In-Person Location (anchor location): Christiana Conference Room
(87 Reads Way, New Castle, DE 19720)**

Attendance:

Committee Members Present: CJ Bell, Danya Woods, Joe Day

Proceedings:

- Meeting called to order at 12:06 p.m. by CJ Bell.
- CJ Bell made motion to approve June Meeting Minutes, Danya Woods seconded.
- *Recap of Current Allocations*
 - CJ Bell provided a review of updated tracker.
 - Reviewed ARPA ID, Allocated, Encumbrances, and Actuals section on the spreadsheet.
 - Projects that have not been encumbered are due to compliance, UEI Numbers, etc.
 - The committee reviewed allocations to-date, has allocated \$2,215,935.25 out of \$5,000,000 allocation.
- *Project SEED provided their monthly update.*
 - Joe Day provided update on behalf of Project SEED
 - Attended Noble Conference in Cleveland, OH
 - Met w/ Western District Advisory Council to discuss representation through their organization
 - Met w/ Program Director Eric Robinson for a tour of the new Limen House Facilities in Wilmington
 - Met w/ Donna Johnson and Victoria Schetrom from Child Inc for the planning of our upcoming 3x3 Basketball tournament
 - Met w/ Lights On Delaware Strong to discuss next installs steps in Evergreen apartment Complex
 - Peace Walks Knollwood



- *Brookside & Pleasantville Grant Application Update*
 - Reached out to approx. 215 organizations regarding grant application opening.
 - 12 organizations attended info session.
 - Info session recording is available on website for attendees to review before applying.
 - Scores were read off

Brookside:

- Blue Demon Athletics – 18
- Delaware Adolescent Program Inc. (DAPI) – 22
- DREAM Inc – 21
- Hart of Gold Care Inc – 19
- Healthy Food for Healthy Kids – 23
- Supporting Kiddos – 22

Pleasantville:

- Food Bank of Delaware – 23
- Healthy Foods for Healthy Kids – 22
- SpeakEnglish5, SCG Inc – 20
 - The goal is to get awarded projects to County Council for final approval in September meeting.
- *Next Steps*
 - BBC Awardees to go through NCC's internal ARPA process (compliance, County Council Resolution, etc.)
 - The committee is advocating for awardees to have signed and approved subaward letters by end of September

Public Comment:

- Floor was opened for public comment. No public comment.

Adjournment:

- CJ Bell adjourned the meeting at 12:17 p.m.