



CITY OF CAMBRIDGE
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Re: Council Order #19
Survey of Neighborhood Councils
Date: 23 June 1994

In response to Council Order #19, attached are the responses to the survey sent out to 14 neighborhood associations and 13 neighborhood councils (associated with the community schools) across the city. Non-profit organizations, with the exception the Agassiz Neighborhood Council, the Central Square Neighborhood Coalition and the Harvard Square Defense Fund, were not part of the survey. The Department of Human Service Programs assisted in the development of the survey.

The eight neighborhood associations who responded are:

East Cambridge Planning Team (merged with the Stabilization Committee)
Wellington-Harrington Citizens Committee
Mid-Cambridge Neighborhood Association
Central Square Neighborhood Coalition
Neighborhood Nine Association
Bellis Circle Association (located in Neighborhood Nine)
Harvard Square Defense Fund
North Cambridge Stabilization Committee

Those associations not responding are:

Southside Neighbors (in Wellington-Harrington)
Area Four Coalition
Ward Five Committee
Hastings Square Association
Neighborhood Ten Association
Cambridge Highlands Association

The Neighborhood Planning Component will continue to seek responses from these neighborhoods.

The neighborhood councils responding to the survey are:

Kennedy Neighborhood Council (East Cambridge)
Harrington Neighborhood Council (Wellington-Harrington)
Maynard Neighborhood Council (Neighborhood Four)
Morse Neighborhood Council (Cambridgeport)
Graham and Parks Neighborhood Council (Cambridgeport)
King Neighborhood Council (Riverside)
Agassiz Neighborhood Council (Agassiz)
Peabody Neighborhood Council (Neighborhood Nine)
Tobin Neighborhood Council (Neighborhood Ten)
Fitzgerald Neighborhood Council (North Cambridge)
Haggerty Neighborhood Council (Strawberry Hill)

Those councils that did not respond are

Fletcher Neighborhood Council (Neighborhood Four)
Longfellow Neighborhood Council (Mid Cambridge)

Responses from these councils are expected soon.

Name of Organization:

History of Organization:

- date established?

Mission:

Membership:

- how many members do you have?
- who can be a member?
- how are new members solicited?

Activities:

Organization:

- where do you meet?
 - is it always available?
- how often do you meet?
- do you have by-laws?
- number of officers
 - how elected?
- how is information about the organization distributed and how often?
 - mailings?
 - newsletters?
 - cable?

Resources:

- source(s) of funding
 - city?
 - state?
 - federal?
 - private?
 - dues?
 - fund raisers?
- how acquired (grant applications)?
- how allocated?
- other types of support from city agencies (CDD, Human Services)
 - staffing?
 - other resources?

Neighborhood One: East Cambridge

POPULATION: 5,780 (6% of the city's population)

The neighborhood has undergone a significant amount of change, both physically and demographically, over the past ten years. The new residential and commercial developments along the Charles have given the waterfront a new look, attracting a significant number of new-comers to the East Cambridge. The newer residents are quite different from the traditional working class, ethnic Polish, Irish, Italian and Portuguese community in East Cambridge. By and large, the new-comers are more highly educated with higher incomes than longer term residents.

INCOME: Median family income: \$37,013 (91% of city-wide median)
Median household income: \$30,281 (93% of city-wide median)

Although median household and family incomes are still below city-wide medians, they have increased at a rate well above that of the city over between 1980 and 1990.

AGE DISTRIBUTION: The age profile of the whole neighborhood shows a shift away from the younger end of the scale and into the middle range. The neighborhood has the highest concentration of older people in the city (17 percent over 65) after the Cambridge Highlands and Strawberry Hill neighborhoods.

HOUSEHOLDS Family households: 49% (45% city-wide)
Non-family households: 51% (55% city-wide)

There is a slightly higher percentage of family households in East Cambridge than there is city-wide. Families with children have decreased 20 percent from 1980 to 1990 (compared to four percent city-wide;) they currently make up 33 percent of all families.

EMPLOYMENT College and post-graduated residents have increased by more than four times since 1980 and now account for 34 percent of the total neighborhood population. Fewer working residents are employed in skilled and semi-skilled laboring fields, such as precision production, repair or assembly.

OPEN SPACE	Centanni Park	passive park	0.5 acres
	Charles Park	passive park with tot-lot	1.0 acres
	Charles Riverfront (MDC)	passive park	___ acres
	Costa Lopez	tot-lot, basketball, greenspace	0.8 acres
	Front Park	passive park	1.0 acres
	Gold Star Mothers Park (Gore Street Park)	basketball, tot-lot, ball field	3.6 acres
	Hurley Playground	tot-lot	0.3 acres
	Kennedy School/ Ahern Field	tot-lot, basketball, ball field, street hockey	2.6 acres
	Lechmere Canal Park	passive park	7.5 acres

PUBLIC FACILITIES Kennedy Community School
Frisoli Youth Center
Metropolitan District Commission (MDC) Hockey Rink

PRIVATE FACILITIES East End House

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Name of Organization:

East Cambridge Planning Team

History of Organization:

1964 - CEOC Cambridge Economical Opportunity Corporation established the East Cambridge Planning Team.

Mission:

To corporate and to help in any way we can to make a better community to live in this city.

Membership:

How many members do you have?

No set numbers. The range is from 10-15-70 over the past years.

Who can be a member?

Anyone who lives in the East Cambridge community.

How are new members solicited?

East Cambridge News, Community Staff, and Mailing Lists

Activities: East Cambridge News, East Cambridge Scholarship Fund, and East Cambridge Land Trust

Organization:

Where do you meet?

Kennedy Community School, 158 Spring Street

It is always available

How often do you meet?

As often as possible as long as it is important and may develop some concern to the neighborhood.

Do you have by-laws? Yes.

Number of officers?

4 officers; Elected by Roberts Rule, Parliamentary Procedure

How is information about the organization distributed and how often?

Periodic mailings and the East Cambridge News

Resources:

City Community Development Department and Mailings

At this point no funding

Nick Geraigery

Charles T. Hinds, Jr.

Frank Maganilli

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Charles T. Hinds

Frank Maganilli

Mar. 31, 1994

Name of Organization: Kennedy Neighborhood Council
Kennedy Community School

History of Organization: Cambridge Community Schools were
• date established? established July 3, 1968, ordinance #769
and amended #799, August 3, 1970. In July, 1980,
Community Schools came under the Human Services
Dept. The by-laws were amended in 1983 to include
the Kennedy Neighborhood Council.

Mission: The goals of the Council are to foster
community activities in which local citizens
identify their interests, needs, or problems and
ways of handling them. The Council shall
maintain a Community School Program which
promotes the maximum utilization of the
public facility for the public good.

Membership:

- how many members do you have? 15
- who can be a member? Any resident of the area who subscribes
- how are new members solicited? to the objectives and policies of
this organization.

Members are solicited through advertising of the
monthly meetings, program flyers and networking.

Activities:

- o After school Programs for Children (Preschool - Eighth Grade)
- o Collaborative activities for youth with the Frisoli Youth Center
- o Evening Adult programs (providing supervision for other com. groups)
in the building at the same time
- o Senior Citizen Bingo, Line Dancing, Workshops, and Trips
- o Vacation and Early Release Day trips for Children & Families
collaborating with the East End House
- o Summer Programs: Senior Bingo & Trips, Arts in the Park
for Children, Collaborative activities with the Recreation
Dept. and the Sixth Street Library.
- o Neighborhood functions such as festivals or evening
performances with Sacred Heart, Sons of Italy, Planning Team, Library
and EAST END HOUSE
- o E. Cambridge Newsletter: Collaboration of E. Cambridge
Planning Team & Council to be published this spring.
- o CEOC Food Distribution Sponsor (Quarterly from the School)

Organization:

- where do you meet?
 - is it always available?
- how often do you meet?
- do you have by-laws?
- number of officers
 - how elected?
- how is information about the organization distributed and how often?
 - mailings?
 - newsletters?
 - cable?

at the Kennedy School

yes

monthly, usually

yes

four

voted each year

usually through program flyers
distributed in the fall and
spring

Resources:

- source(s) of funding
 - city? yes
 - state?
 - federal?
 - private?
 - dues? yes
 - fund raisers? sometimes
- how acquired (grant applications)? through the city
- how allocated?
- other types of support from city agencies (CDD, Human Services)
 - staffing? yes
 - other resources?

School collaboration (computer lab, housemaster, secretary
staff, custodians)

Lesley College

city businesses

counselors & legislators

Parents & Seniors

Neighborhood Three: Wellington-Harrington

POPULATION: 7,105 (7.4% of the city's population)

The overall character of Wellington-Harrington area has not changed much since 1980. It is still blue collar with a well-represented immigrant population. There has been virtually no increase in foreign new-comers during the 1980's; however, 40 percent of all neighborhood residents are immigrants to the US. Many of these are from Portuguese-speaking countries.

INCOME
Median family income: \$32,615 (82% of city-wide median)
Median household income: \$30,231 (91 % of city-wide median)

Wellington-Harrington ranks the fourth poorest of the city's 13 neighborhoods in median family income after Neighborhood Two (MIT.) Neighborhood Four and Cambridgeport

AGE DISTRIBUTION Like most neighborhoods in the city, Wellington-Harrington has seen an aging of its population during the 1980's. Children under 19 make up about one-quarter of the population, while adults aged 45 to 64 make up the largest single cohort, 17 percent of the neighborhood's total population.

HOUSEHOLDS
Family households 63% (45% city-wide)
Non-family households 37% (55% city-wide)

Wellington-Harrington has the highest proportion of family households of all the neighborhoods in the city, with the exception of Neighborhood Two (MIT.) Between 1980 and 1990, Wellington-Harrington was the only neighborhood with a significant increase (18%) in female-headed households. Although quantitatively small they now comprise 22 percent of all the neighborhood's families.

EMPLOYMENT The neighborhood is still home to the greatest number of the city's laborers/machine operators, despite significant decreases in manufacturing employment. Manufacturing, which employed one in three workers in 1980, now employs only one in five, or 21 percent. Although the number of college graduates has tripled since 1980, only 21 percent of all adults over 25 have an undergraduate degree compared to over half city-wide.

OPEN SPACE The Wellington-Harrington neighborhood, with only 8.0 acres of open space, ranks very high in need of public recreational open space. Despite a large elementary school athletic complex which includes an outdoor pool, the only other open spaces available are a small tot-lot, and two small passive parks.

Donnelly Field	ball field, tot-lot, basketball courts	7.2 acres
Elm Street Park	passive park	0.3 acres
Roosevelt Towers	passive park	0.1 acres
Warren Pals/Gannet	tot-lot, passive park	0.4 acres

PUBLIC FACILITIES Harrington Community School

PRIVATE FACILITIES none

Name of Organization: Wellington Harrington Citizens Committee (WHCC)

History of Organization:

•date established? 1962

First Citizen Planning Committee in Cambridge to assist in developing a neighborhood stabilization plan. Plan was approved by City and HUD. WHCC continued program advisory role and established Wellington Harrington Development Corporation as sponsor of new and rehab housing developments.

Mission:

Improve and maintain housing in Wellington Harrington area. Add to housing supply through development work. Rezone area after eliminating nonconforming uses. Secure public improvements in all public systems. Work out zoning, licensing and proposed development issues ongoing.

Membership:

- how many members do you have? 14
- who can be a member? Open enrollment
- how are new members solicited?

From people active in the neighborhood and focused on neighborhood issues.

Activities:

Continued activities around licensing and zoning issues. Continued development monitoring. Continued role in maintaining affordable housing developments. Deal with neighborhood/city issues as these arise.

Organization:

- where do you meet? 432 Columbia Street, Cambridge
- is it always available? Yes
- how often do you meet? Quarterly and special meetings
- do you have by-laws? Yes
- number of officers 3
- how elected? By the Committee
- how is information about the organization distributed and how often? Via fliers and occasional mailings
- mailings?
- newsletters?
- cable?

Resources:

- source(s) of funding
 - city?
 - state?
 - federal?
 - private?
 - dues?
 - fund raisers?
 - how acquired (grant applications)?
 - how allocated?
 - other types of support from city agencies (CDD, Human Services)
 - staffing?
 - other resources?
- There is no separate operating budget. The original budget was HUD, State and City. Rely on Just A Start for staff services.

Name of Organization: Harrington Neighborhood Council

History of Organization:

• date established?

Our Neighborhood Council was established
Approx. 20 years ago

Mission:

- To evaluate the needs of the Harrington Community
- Implement programs & activities to meet this need
- Act as liaison to other city agencies/organizations to Harrington Neighborhood

Membership:

- how many members do you have? 5
- who can be a member? ANY MEMBER OF THE HARRINGTON COMMUNITY
- how are new members solicited?
 - Flyers & notices in program pamphlets
 - word of mouth

Activities:

- Oversees community school program including:
 - school-year children's programs
 - weekly & monthly socio- programs
 - Adult classes
 - Family field trips
 - Summer camp
- instrumental in the New Tot Lot (Approx. 5 yrs. ago)
- instrumental in organizing for the New Frisoli Youth Center
- Fundraising for Council/Community School Program

Organization:

- where do you meet? ~~once a month~~ ^{Harrington School}
 - is it always available? *yes*
- how often do you meet? *ONCE A MONTH*
- do you have by-laws? *yes*
- number of officers - *4*
 - how elected? *majority vote*
- how is information about the organization distributed and how often? *NOT CURRENTLY, BEING DISTRIBUTED EXCEPT TO CURRENT COUNCIL MEMBERS*
 - mailings?
 - newsletters?
 - cable?

Resources:

- source(s) of funding
 - city? *yes*
 - state? *yes - GRANT*
 - federal? *NO*
 - private? *NO*
 - dues? *yes*
 - fund raisers? *yes*
- how acquired (grant applications)? *GRANT*
- how allocated? *BUDGET*
- other types of support from city agencies (CDD, Human Services)
 - staffing? *1 FULL TIME STAFF PERSON*
 - other resources?

Neighborhood Four: Neighborhood Four

POPULATION 6,886 (7.2% of the city's population)

Neighborhood Four is the poorest of the city's neighborhoods. This is despite the fact that median household and family incomes increased by a greater percentage than city-wide incomes between 1980 and 1990. Forty-three percent of all households are female-headed, the highest proportion in the city. It is also the least homogeneous of all neighborhoods: five percent of are minority; and 32 percent are foreign born.

INCOME Median family income: \$26,836 (67% of city-wide median)
Median household income: \$24,665 (74% of city-wide median)

Nearly 40 percent of all children in the neighborhood live below the poverty level.

AGE DISTRIBUTION Almost 25 percent of the neighborhood's population are children under 18 years of age. Between 1980 and 1990, the number of people aged 30 to 44 has doubled, while there has been a significant decrease among 20 to 24 year old and those over 65 years. The increase in 30-44 group may be attributed to new-comers to the city from other parts of the world.

HOUSEHOLDS Family households: 58% (45% city-wide)
Non-family households 42% (55% city-wide)

Neighborhood Four has a higher percentage of family households than in the city as a whole. Nearly two-third (61.5%) of all families have children under 18 years of age, the highest in the city. Thirty-one percent of all families are female-headed households with children under 18.

EMPLOYMENT Just over one quarter (26%) of neighborhood residents over age 25 have only a high school diploma, compared to 16 percent city-wide. More significantly, 12 percent have less than a ninth grade education, far greater than the seven percent city-wide. Less than one-third have college degrees, while over half city-wide have such. The wholesale/retail industry is the largest employer in the neighborhood (15%), followed by education, professional services and health services.

OPEN SPACE With only 6.7 acres of open space, Neighborhood Four is one of the areas in the city with the most severe shortage of public recreational open space. Of the nine facilities in this neighborhood, seven are small tot-lots, (two at elementary schools; two at public housing sites; three at other locations within the neighborhood,) one is a small passive park, and one is a 2.7 acre field and play facility.

OPEN SPACE	Columbia Street Park	basketball, tot-lot	1.1 acres
	Fletcher School	tot-lot	0.2 acres
	Harvard Street Playground	playground, tennis courts	1.0 acres
	J.F. Kennedy Apartments	passive park	0.4 acres
	Market Street Playground	playground, tot-lot	0.1 acres
	Maynard School	tot-lot	0.1 acres
	Newtowne Court	tot-lot	0.5 acres
	Sennott Park	ball field, basketball, tot-lot	2.7 acres
	Washington Elms	tot-lot	0.5 acres
	26 Pine Street	tot-lot	0.1 acres

PUBLIC FACILITIES	105 Windsor Street	Neighborhood Four Youth Center
	Fletcher Community School	Pisani Center
	Maynard Community School	

PRIVATE FACILITIES The Margaret Fuller Neighborhood House

ROBERTS/MAYNARD NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL
225 WINDSOR STREET
CAMBRIDGE, MA 02139
617-349-6295

History of Organization:

Date established? 1973

Mission: To enrich the neighborhood in all aspects of life, in its ever-changing ways. To offer equal and fair access to all programming, educational, social and recreational.

Membership:

How many members? 5 active adults, 1 active youth, 10 people we can depend on for assistance, but they do not attend all monthly meetings.

Who can be a member? Anyone who lives in Cambridge, and takes an interest in this community.

How are members solicited?

The Community Coordinator advertises our efforts in the brochures that go out in the beginning of each session.

Activities:

Recreational: trips to museums, parks, sports events, roller-skating movies, plays, other performances, on early release days and school vacations for children. also trips for adults and families throughout year

Instruction: dance, gymnastics, art, martial arts, at times we offer creative writing or unique art projects, like animation.

Summer camps: Jamnastics, an extended day camp offering gymnastics, dance, and martial arts instruction as well as other fun activities for hot summer days!

New Block Preteen Camp: a full day camp offering recreational activities, swimming, trips to preteens!

Sports: woman's volleyball

Other: we are represented on the
Citywide Preteen club
Multicultural Task Force
Area IV Crime Task Force
Friends of Area IV Youth Center

Neighborhood Five: Cambridgeport

POPULATION 8,977 (9.4% of the city's population)

Cambridgeport is more racially diverse than the city as a whole: 70 percent white, 20 percent black, and seven percent Asian.

INCOME Median family income: \$32,432 (81% of city-wide median)
Median household income: \$28,466 (86% of city-wide median)

Cambridgeport ranks and in terms of family and household incomes respectively, when compared to all neighborhoods in Cambridge. Between 1980 and 1990, median household income grew by 40 percent, while the median family income increased by only 17 percent, which is well below the city-wide growth of 30 percent.

AGE DISTRIBUTION Between 1980 and 1990, age representation in Cambridgeport follows city-wide patterns; however, growth in the "baby boom" and new born age groups are more exaggerated than city-wide. There was a 100 percent increase in residents aged 35 to 44 and a 43 percent increase in 0 to four year old. Persons over 65 decreased 19 percent since then. Youth 19 and under comprise 18 percent of the total neighborhood population.

HOUSEHOLDS Family households: 42% (45% city-wide)
Non-family households 58% (55% city-wide)

Families with children make up half of the families in the neighborhood.

EMPLOYMENT Employment by manufacturing and construction has fallen considerably since 1980, whereas employment in professional jobs and related services has risen and now account for 18 percent of employment in the neighborhood. Likewise the proportion of the adult population with at least a college degree has risen dramatically. Nearly half (47%) of all adults over 25 have a degree, whereas less than one-third (29%) did so in 1980.

OPEN SPACE Cambridgeport has 25.8 acres of recreational open space; however, a large portion of this (19 acres) is the MDC-owned Charles Riverfront, comprising an outdoor seasonal swimming pool, soccer fields and the passive parkland along the river. The remaining parks are small sites scattered throughout the residential portion of the neighborhood.

Alberico Playground	tot-lot, basketball	0.5 acres
Charles Riverfront (MDC)	passive park, soccer field pool, ball field	19.0 acres
Central Square	passive park	0.5 acres
Dana Park	passive park, tot-lot, basketball	1.4 acres
Fort Washington	passive park	1.0 acres
Fulmore Playground	tot-lot, basketball	0.4 acres
Hastings Square/Parrow Park	passive park	0.7 acres
Lindstrom Field	ballfield, tot-lot, basket ball	1.3 acres

PUBLIC FACILITIES Morse Community School
Graham-Parks Community School
MDC Magazine Beach pool

PRIVATE FACILITIES none

NAME OF ORGANIZATION: Morse Neighborhood Council/Community School

HISTORY OF ORGANIZATION: The Morse Council, like all the other 12 Councils was established by the City council in the mid 1970's. At that time the program was part time, grew substantially during the early 80's to full time status with assistance in each program. The programs have changed over the years to change and adapt to the needs and desires of the neighborhood. Hence, each Council and Community School program is somewhat different in services, programs and the ages that we serve. During the mid 80's and Prop 2 1/2 the programs were cut back in both personnel and funding, or seed money, for programs.

MISSION: The mission of all the Neighborhood Councils and their respective programs is to empower the parents and residents, at, and of, the Morse School and neighborhood to enrich their lives in a direct manner. The Council is responsible for addressing concerns and needs of everyone, from toddler to senior citizen. The Community School Coordinator develops activities and programs that reach out to wide variety of people. The Council and Coordinator advocates for families in a variety of ways from referrals of services, to coordinating services, to designing services that help the individual/family.

MEMBERSHIP: Membership is made up of neighborhood residents and parents with children attending the Morse School. The number of active, persons attending regular meetings, from 5 - 12. Largely the number of people attending a meeting varies depending on the issues and topics of concern at the time. Generally membership is women in their 30's - 40's. Membership is open to residents ages 16 - senior citizen. New members are solicited thru attendance at programs and by members bringing in friends.

ACTIVITIES: Include, but are not limited to, afterschool enrichment classes like cooking, sewing, sports, woodworking, art, sculpture, dance, acting, etc. Programs that are run with collaborative efforts on the part of the Morse School and Community School are homework help, parent drug/alcohol education workshops, instructional aid in school related mini courses. During the school vacations and Early Release days activities or trips are arranged for students and their families. Senior programs meet weekly for get-togethers - playing cards, bingo, and planning outings to the theater, luncheons, shopping trips, museum tours, etc. Family trips are

planned and executed during the year like apple picking, amusement parks, camping, and theater trips. Evening programs for adults include, sewing, volleyball, basketball, and A. A. and Alanon meetings, as well as offering other community groups like Little League, Girl Scouting, and Neighborhood Safety/Crime Watches a place to meet. During the summer months a seven week day and extended day camp is offered for students in grades k thru 6.

ORGANIZATION: We generally meet at the Morse School in the evenings. Classes and summer camp use space in the Morse also, there is difficulty in using space though due to School Department and custodial issues. Classes must frequently meet in hallways and are bumped from spaces with no notice due to the fact that school related or initiated activities take precedence. Classes meet seasonally, only once, for 6 -10 weeks or daily, it depends on the activity.

There are by-laws. There are 3 officers: President, Secretary, and Treasurer. They are elected yearly, sometimes carried over.

Information about the organization is distributed through the school, residential mailing list, and the Tab and Chronicle.

RESOURCES: Funding comes from several sources. The City of Cambridge allocates \$5,000.00 for start monies from the general fund. Tuition from classes and programs is regularly charged, but reduced or eliminated if a family is in need. If there is a special program offered through a participating agency, like the museums, State money can sometimes be used to fund a project. Businesses sometimes donate money for a specific program or opportunity.

NAME OF ORGANIZATION: **Graham and Parks Neighborhood Council and Community School**

HISTORY OF ORGANIZATION:
date established?

All Community Schools, including the Graham and Parks Community School, were established over twenty years ago by City order. Please refer to the enclosed brochure which describes the Community and Youth programs of the City. This brochure also gives the history and mission of the Community Schools.

The Graham and Parks Neighborhood Council and Community School have enjoyed a long and successful history of serving the community. The Council is one of the more active Neighborhood Councils in the City and in the last few years has not only increased its programming for the G&P community but also taken on the responsibility of including the New School in Cambridgeport, because of its close proximity, in its programming.

The G&P Neighborhood Council was one of the first to offer a full-day summer camp to the community a year before the City-run Supercamps were phased out. Our camp is very successful and has grown to an enrollment of 36 neighborhood children. Because we offer a full-day program, the camp is able to accept DSS students and thus enable the City to fulfill its childcare obligations to DSS. In addition, the G&P Council has been providing scholarship assistance to the Haitian summer camp program for several years.

MISSION:

Please refer to the enclosed brochure. Put simply, we provide educational and enrichment programs for community members of all ages, and work to improve the quality of life in our respective neighborhoods by supporting crime watch groups, substance abuse prevention, etc.

What is not possible to put in a mission statement or a description of what we do is the fact that our Coordinators and volunteer members do so much more on an *ad hoc* basis. Many coordinators watch over children who would otherwise be "latchkey children".

It is the express mission of the G&P Neighborhood Council to reach out to the Haitian community since the Haitian bi-lingual program is housed in Graham and Parks School.

When a new school (the Cambridgeport school) opened just one block from our home base, we decided to offer our programs to this nascent school. It has been successful thus far.

The G&P Community School provides free snacks to children in our programs. Many children whose parents cannot afford classes are given full or partial scholarships for classes. In communities where no youth center is located, Community Schools hold open sessions for basketball for youths and young adults.

Some Neighborhood Councils "adopt" a park in their community and help maintain it and beautify it with plants and flowers. Our Council pays for flowers for Dana Park and provides some oversight on the condition of the park. Some Neighborhood Councils participate in low cost food programs such as SHARE. Others collect food for food pantries in the City.

The Graham and Parks Neighborhood Council offers a community service achievement award to two members of the graduating class at Graham and Parks. These are but a few examples of the benefits the communities of Cambridge receive from Neighborhood Councils.

MEMBERSHIP :

• how many members do you have?

6 - 8

• who can be a member?

Anyone in the **community** who is willing to attend meetings and accept some responsibility. (The definition of Community in some cases is difficult to define, but for our purposes we define it as any resident of Cambridgeport or a parent of a child enrolled at Graham and Parks or Cambridgeport schools.)

• how are new members solicited?

Members are solicited throughout the year by current members and the Coordinator. Usually a major community event is held every September, at which food is served, for the purpose of introducing new members of the community to the Neighborhood Council and Community School and to renew old acquaintances. Parents and community residents become familiar with our Council through participation in the Community School offerings.

ORGANIZATION :

Graham and Parks Neighborhood Council:

• where do you meet?

In the Cafeteria or Art Room of the Graham and Parks School on Upton Street. In the future, meetings will alternate between G&P and the New School in Cambridgeport which we also serve.

• how often do you meet?

Usually once a month during the school year.

• do you have bylaws?

Yes.

• number of officers

3: a chairperson, a treasurer, and a secretary.

• how elected?

general consensus.

• how is information about the organization distributed and how often?

Quarterly newsletter and flyers for special events. Program announcements for the fall, winter, and spring programs. All written publicity for G&P programs is in English and Haitian Kreyol. Outreach through community potlucks; participating in school council meetings. Word of mouth.

RESOURCES:

• source(s) of funding

- city

The City of Cambridge pays the salaries and benefits for the Community School Coordinators and two managers. In addition, each Community School receives \$5,000 programming funds annually. (This amount has not increased in twenty years.)

- fund raising

At Graham and Parks we add a line to our program announcements asking for donations toward scholarships. This is moderately successful. In addition, in 1993 the Citywide Council successfully bid on Community Response Trust Fund monies and received \$6,000 for summer camp scholarships citywide. Our G&P Neighborhood Council also successfully bid on Community Response Trust Funds for funds to purchase play equipment for our indoor playspace program.

- fees

The fees charged for courses and trips usually covers expenses although in some cases we lose money on the occasional course or field trip. (Generally, transportation and the cost of an assistant is paid out of the \$5,000 city allocation mentioned above.)

Neighborhood Six: Mid Cambridge

POPULATION 13,020 (13.6% of the city's population)

Mid Cambridge has the highest neighborhood population of any neighborhood in the city. Its chief characteristics are a more mobile, higher income, very highly educated population. Over two-thirds (69%) of the population over age 25 has at least a college degree, much higher than the city-wide proportion of 54 percent. It is less racially diverse than the city as a whole; 84 percent of the population is white, compared to 75 percent city-wide.

INCOME Median family income \$50,272 (126% of city-wide median)
Median household income \$37,075 (112% of city-wide median)

Mid Cambridge is one of the wealthiest neighborhoods in the city, ranking fourth in median family income. Likewise, it ranks third in terms of median household income.

AGE DISTRIBUTION Residents aged 35 to 44 are the most populous age group in the neighborhood comprising about one fifth of the population. This group also experienced a 125 percent increase between 1980 and 1990 while the number and percentage of young adults (ages 20 to 34) decreased substantially. Corresponding to the tremendous growth in mid adults, the number of infants and toddlers also increased during the decade.

HOUSEHOLDS Family households: 31% (45% city-wide)
Non-family households: 69% (55% city-wide)

Although Mid Cambridge is the most populous of all neighborhoods, its person per household figures are the lowest city-wide (1.75 to 2.08 respectively.) This corresponds to the high proportion of non-family households, reflecting a neighborhood characterized predominantly by singles living alone, roommates and couples without children. Mid Cambridge has the lowest percentage of family households of all neighborhoods.

EMPLOYMENT Half of Mid Cambridge's resident labor force is employed in the education industry or in professional fields.

OPEN SPACE Mid Cambridge is the neighborhood most in need of public recreational open space. One fifth of the population lives in group quarters, primarily Harvard University dormitories located in the neighborhood; Harvard facilities serve this population. Even with the group quarters population removed, though, Mid Cambridge still has nearly 10,500 residents and only 4.5 acres of public open space. Most of these were house lots originally. The largest public open space is a 3.4 acre park adjacent to the high school and main library.

Hancock Street	tot-lot	0.1 acres
Library Park	passive park, tot-lot	3.4 acres
Longfellow School	basketball	0.2 acres
Maple Avenue	tot-lot	0.1 acres
Paine Playground	tot-lot, basketball	0.4 acres
Vellucci Plaza	passive park	0.1 acres
Wilder/Lee Street	tot-lot, passive park	0.2 acres

PUBLIC FACILITIES Longfellow Community School
Cambridge Rindge and Latin School
War Memorial Recreational Complex and Pool

PRIVATE FACILITIES none

Name of Organization: Mid-Cambridge Neighborhood Association

History of Organization:

• date established? 1974 - grass roots.

Mission: Improve quality of life in neighborhood.

Membership:

- how many members do you have? Approximately 600 households
- who can be a member? Residents of neighborhood + those who work here
- how are new members solicited? Meetings + personally.

Activities:

Meetings : Membership 2-4 times a year
Board monthly

Social events - 2 parties/year

Block parties

Plant sweep

Organization:

- where do you meet? Longfellow School + Public Library
- is it always available? No.
- how often do you meet? (see p. 1)
- do you have by-laws? yes
- number of officers ~~two~~ 11 board members elected at annual membership meeting.
- how elected?
- how is information about the organization distributed and how often?
- mailings? leaflets for meetings
- newsletters? 6 times a year - mailed to members
- cable? not yet
- press releases to Chronicle / calendar section

Resources:

- source(s) of funding
 - city? X
 - state? X
 - federal? X
 - private? member donations.
 - dues? X
 - fund raisers? contributions at holiday party
- how acquired (grant applications)?
- how allocated?
- other types of support from city agencies (CDD, Human Services) NONE
- staffing? NONE
- other resources? NONE

Neighborhood Seven: Riverside

POPULATION 10,448 (10.9% of the city's population)

Harvard students living in dormitories make up 37 percent of the population.

INCOME Median family income: \$32,746 (82% of city-wide median)
Median household income: \$27,415 (83% of city-wide median)

Despite the large proportion of residents working in the education industry or other professional services (51%), Riverside is well below the city-wide median for both family and household income. While a large off-campus student population may account for this, many non-student residents lag behind the city-wide medians in terms of income.

AGE DISTRIBUTION - Riverside has a younger population than that of the city overall; 70 percent of the neighborhood's population is under 30 years old, compared to 50 percent of the city's population.

HOUSEHOLDS Family households: 39% (45% city-wide)
Non-family households: 61% (55% city-wide)

Riverside has one of the lower ratios of family to non-family households in the city, after Mid Cambridge, Agassiz and Neighborhood Nine. Students living in dorms, however, are not a part of this ratio as they are considered to live in group quarters, a separate category.

EMPLOYMENT Just over 50 percent of Riverside's residents work in the education industry or in other professional fields. Sixty-one percent of residents over 25 have college degrees, higher than the city-wide proportion.

OPEN SPACE Riverside contains 16.3 acres of public recreational open space . King School, Cpl Burns, Hoyt and Riverbend parks are some of the most intensively used playgrounds in the city. Corporal Burns Playground is known across the city as one of the best places to find a pick-up basketball game. Thousands of people from throughout Cambridge and beyond come to the riverfront each Sunday during the summer when the Metropolitan District Commission closes off Memorial Drive to vehicular traffic.

Charles Riverfront (MDC)	passive	6.0 acres
Corporal Burns	playground, basketball, tennis courts	1.3 acres
Cronin Park	passive	0.1 acres
Franklin Street Park	passive	0.1 acres
Hoyt Field	ball field, tennis, tot-lot, basketball	4.5 acres
Macelroy Park	passive	0.1 acres
M.L. King Playground	playground, basketball	0.7 acres
Putnam Gardens	tot-lot	0.2 acres
Riverside Press Park	passive, tot-lot, basketball, tennis courts	3.1 acres

PUBLIC FACILITIES King Community School
Moore Youth Center
Senior Center (under construction)

PRIVATE FACILITIES Michael Sullivan Park passive, tot-lot, garden 0.2 acres
Cambridge Community Center
Cambridge Family YMCA indoor recreational facility with pool

Name of Organization: Central Sq. Neighborhood Coalition

History of Organization:
• date established? Oct. 1992 ; Bylaws adopted 5/93

Mission: see article 2 "Purposes"

Membership:

- how many members do you have? 250 dues paying ; 1200 on mailing list
- who can be a member? anyone living in 4 contiguous neighborhoods
- how are new members solicited?
↳ newsletter; referral or working in the SQ.
by members; at social events held regularly.

Activities:

- Efforts occur through Subcommittee structure
- Economic development subcommittee
 - Traffic and Parking "
 - Events
 - Governmental Liason
 - membership outreach
 - Environmental
 - Crime & Safety (ad hoc)
 - Social Services Sitting (ad hoc)

Organization:

- where do you meet? various sites
- is it always available?

• how often do you meet? Board of Directors - 1st Tues. month

• do you have by-laws? - annual meeting in may

• number of officers - subcommittees according to their own Schedules

• how is information about the organization distributed and how often?

- mailings? - as needed
- newsletters? Quarterly
- cable?

nominated by Board of Directors; voted by General membership

Resources:

- source(s) of funding
 - city?
 - state?
 - federal?
 - private?
 - dues? - \$5 annual
 - fund raisers? - yes
- how acquired (grant applications)?
- how allocated?
- other types of support from city agencies (CDD, Human Services)
 - staffing?
 - other resources?

None yet, but we're ever hopeful

Name of Organization:

Martin Luther King Jr. Neighborhood
Council + Riverside Neighborhood Watch
Group

History of Organization:

• date established?

Group

An outgrowth from a crime watch that existed 15 years ago
and an incident that occurred 3 years ago in the neighborhood
that resulted in a brutal beating and death of a youth.

Mission:

To implement a safer neighborhood

Membership:

• how many members do you have? 70

• who can be a member? live in the community

• how are new members solicited?

30 regular participants

Activities:

safe neighborhood survey

block watches

community planting

street cleaning

Hoyt field renovation

River side Health Center Clinic

Block Dances "Get to know your neighbor"

Youth Speak out

Camp night

central Pg. Stabilization comm.
community orientated policing

Organization:

- where do you meet?
 - is it always available?
- how often do you meet?
- do you have by-laws?
- number of officers
 - how elected?
- how is information about the organization distributed and how often?
 - mailings?
 - newsletters?
 - cable?

RCCC, western Ave., Patnam Gardens Mtg House
CCC, callendarst, McKing Jr School, Patnam Ave
3rd Thursday each month
newsletters, monthly flyer, newspaper, mailings

Resources:

- source(s) of funding
 - city?
 - state?
 - federal?
 - private?
 - dues?
 - fund raisers?
- how acquired (grant applications)?
- how allocated?
- other types of support from city agencies (CDD, Human Services)
 - staffing?
 - other resources?

proposals U-Mass Kellogg
grant Comm. Response Trust grant, Kellogg
McKing Jr Council

police officers, guest speakers

Neighborhood Eight: Agassiz

POPULATION: 5,100 (5% of the city's population)

Just over one-third (33%) of Agassiz's population lives in group quarters (i.e., dormitories) reflecting the presence of Lesley College and Harvard University. This compares to 37 percent of the Mid Cambridge population and 19 percent of the Riverside population. It is one of the least racially diverse neighborhoods, with whites comprising 84 percent of the population, compared to 75 percent city-wide. Asians make up the second largest racial group, with nine percent of neighborhood's population. Blacks are six percent, one of the lowest in the city after East Cambridge, Cambridge Highlands, Neighborhood Ten and Mid Cambridge.

INCOME: Median family income: \$55,407 (139% of city-wide median)
Median household income: \$36,853 (111% of city-wide median)

Agassiz is the second wealthiest neighborhood in the city after Neighborhood Ten.

AGE DISTRIBUTION: Agassiz, as with many other neighborhoods in the city, has experienced an aging of its population. Despite the presence of Harvard and Lesley, the number of residents under 35 has decreased. Most interesting is the 74 percent increase in the number residents between 45 and 65 years of age.

HOUSEHOLDS: Family households: 34% (45% city-wide)
Non-family households: 66% (55% city-wide)

The proportion of family households in Agassiz is well below the city-wide proportion of 45 percent. (The population in group quarters - dormitories - does not affect family/non-family household ratio.)

EMPLOYMENT: Over half of all residents in the labor force are employed in the education industry or other professional fields. Corresponding to the high employment levels in professional fields, 83 percent of all adult Agassiz residents have college or post-college degrees, the highest proportion in the city.

OPEN SPACE The Agassiz neighborhood ranks second in the city in need of open space after Mid Cambridge. It is also densely developed. Currently, the neighborhood has only two facilities: a small tot-lot and a one acre field.

Agassiz/Alden Playground	tot-lot	0.1 acres
Sacramento Field	ball field, basketball	1.2 acres

PUBLIC FACILITIES: Agassiz Community School (school building is closed; programs are being held in the Community Center)

PRIVATE FACILITIES: Agassiz Community Center (Harvard owned, used by the Community School)
North Hall Community Room (Harvard owned, open to the community for their use; used by the Community School)

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ANC - Agassiz

Name of Organization:

Agassiz Neighborhood Council, Inc.

History of Organization:

• date established?

- Began with Community Schools program in 1970's
- Incorporated in 1985

Mission:

" to promote the well being of the Agassiz Community by developing and offering services and facilitating a forum for discussion, action and participation in the life of the community.

Membership:

- how many members do you have? 5000+ (all Agassiz residents)
- who can be a member? agassiz residents and parents of children in Agassiz School and Community school
- how are new members solicited? ~~Agassiz School and Community school~~ newsletters

note: to be a voting member you must have attended a council meeting and signed in in the past 12 months

Activities:

children's programs: afterschool, preschool, summer camp and miscellaneous

newsletters (monthly distribution 2000 copies sept - June)

community socials

art gallery shows

monthly council meetings that generate sub-committee meetings and provide an open forum for ideas + activism

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Organization:

Community Room

- where do you meet? 1651 Mass Ave (corner of Wendell St)
- is it always available?
- how often do you meet? at least once per month
- do you have by-laws? yes
- number of officers 4 officers + 6 directors = 10 board members
 - how elected? Nominating committee recommends a slate, voted on by members
- how is information about the organization distributed and how often?
 - mailings? yes, frequently - more than once per month
 - newsletters? 10 x yearly
 - cable? occasionally

Resources:

- source(s) of funding
 - city? - yes
 - state? - no
 - federal? - no
 - private? - yes
 - dues? - no - but tuitions from children's programs
 - fund raisers? - yes
- how acquired (grant applications)? grant, contracts, billing, direct fundraising
- how allocated? budget developed by executive director and finance committee of board
- other types of support from city agencies (CDD, Human Services) not usually, but sometimes in special circumstances
 - staffing?
 - other resources?

Neighborhood Nine: Neighborhood Nine

POPULATION 11,126 (11.6% of the city's population)

Of the top most affluent neighborhoods (Neighborhood 10, Agassiz, Mid Cambridge and Neighborhood Nine,) Neighborhood Nine is the most racially diverse. White residents account for 78 percent of the population; and black residents make up 15 percent. The group quarters (Harvard/Radcliffe dormitories) population is less than in Mid Cambridge, Riverside, Agassiz or Neighborhood Two, both in absolute numbers and as a proportion of the population.

INCOME Median family income: \$52,721 (132% of city-wide median)
Median household income: \$36,608 (111% of city-wide median)

Neighborhood Nine is the third wealthiest neighborhood in the city in terms of median family income. Only Neighborhood Ten and Agassiz are wealthier. While there is a substantial difference between median family and household incomes (one of the largest in the city,) household income is still much higher than the city-wide median.

AGE DISTRIBUTION Neighborhood Nine is another neighborhood which has followed city-wide demographic trends of an aging population. As with the city, there has been a considerable increase (42%) in the number of infants and toddlers (0-4) between 1980 and 1990, one of the largest such increases in the city. There is also a substantial concentration of youths and teens in the northern part of the neighborhood; the management of Walden Square Apartments estimates that of the 700 residents, over 200 are under the age of 18.

HOUSEHOLDS Family households: 38.5% (45% city-wide)
Non-family households: 61.5% (55% city-wide)

The CDD telephone survey showed that most of families with children live north of Upland Road, which is also not nearly as wealthy as the section south of Upland.

EMPLOYMENT Well over two-thirds (70%) of residents over 25 years old have at least a college degree. Nearly two-thirds of the resident labor force work in administrative or professional occupations. There are wide discrepancies within the neighborhood; many of the residents of subsidized housing work at Fernald State School in more menial jobs. Thirty percent of residents work in the education industry.

OPEN SPACE Neighborhood Nine contains 70.3 acres of public open space which is one of largest in the city in terms of physical size. Most of the open space is located on the western side of the neighborhood and was added when the City opened Danehy Park in 1990.

Cambridge Common	tot-lot, ball field, passive	8.6 acres
Corcoran Park	tot-lot, ball field, garden	2.7 acres
Danehy Park	playground, tot-lot, ball field, jogging path, dog run, passive area	50 acres
Flagstaff Park	passive	1.2 acres
Peabody School	tot-lot, basketball	0.6 acres
Saint Peter's Field/ Roesthlisberger Park	passive, basketball, ball fields passive	7.2 acres

PUBLIC FACILITIES Peabody Community School

PRIVATE FACILITIES Harvard University - Radcliffe College campus and Botanical Gardens Community Room
Friends School - private field and play area
Walden Square Apartments - tot lot and community room

Name of Organization: Neighborhood Nine Association

History of Organization:

• date established? Created from City Defined Neighborhood District. Organization's age is not known by this writer. Organization has had a number of rebirths; most recently in late 70's.

Mission:

Serve the neighborhoods needs, as an interface with City government and between other neighborhoods. To represent the interests of the neighborhood as a whole ~~to~~ on planning issues. To find ways to improve the quality of neighborhood life.

Membership:

- how many members do you have?
- who can be a member?
- how are new members solicited?

6-16-50 (Attimes)
Any resident of Neighborhood
Campaigns, personal recommendation

Activities:

Meet monthly, esp. the Board.
Run special meetings related to educational events, i.e. meet politicians, talk to city agency representatives, etc.
Address problems of special concern i.e. zoning, planning issues.

Organization:

- where do you meet?
 - is it always available?
- how often do you meet?
- do you have by-laws?
- number of officers
 - how elected?
- how is information about the organization distributed and how often?
 - mailings?
 - newsletters?
 - cable?

Peabody School Art Room
 only until 9 pm
 generally once a month

yes.
 by the general membership (when organized)
 letters, word of mouth
 only when necessary due to lack of funds.

Resources:

- source(s) of funding
 - city?
 - state?
 - federal?
 - private?
 - dues?
 - fund raisers?
- how acquired (grant applications)?
- how allocated?
- other types of support from city agencies (CDD, Human Services)
 - staffing?
- other resources?

None!!

only when requested when possible.

help from CDD with advice and guidance.

Some interaction with Community School rep.

Name of Organization: BELLIS CIRCLE NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION

History of Organization:

•date established?

PREVIOUSLY ESTABLISHED ~ 10 yrs ago,
IN RESPONSE TO NEIGHBORHOOD CONCERNS
RE ZONING VIOLATIONS OF LOCAL ~~BUS~~
BUSINESSES.

Mission:

TO ADDRESS CONCERNS OF RESIDENTS OF BELLIS CIRCLE
AND BELLIS COURT

Membership:

- how many members do you have? ~ 30 individuals
- who can be a member? Anyone who lives on Bellis Court or Bellis Circle
- how are new members solicited? Word of mouth + flyers

Activities:

The Association has been doing alot of work in addressing both past + present zoning violations in our neighborhood. We have been working closely with Robert Bersani of Inspectional Services to address our concerns with property @ 129 Sherman St which abutts the circle.

Organization:

- where do you meet? various homes of residents
- is it always available? —
- how often do you meet? as needed, 6-8x a year
- do you have by-laws? no
- number of officers no
- how elected?
- how is information about the organization distributed and how often?
- mailings? —
- newsletters? — flyers
- cable? —

Resources:

- source(s) of funding
- city?
- state?
- federal?
- private?
- dues?
- fund raisers?
- how acquired (grant applications)?
- how allocated?
- other types of support from city agencies (CDD, Human Services)
- staffing?
- other resources?

None

Name of Organization: PEABODY NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL

History of Organization:

•date established? 1980

Mission: TO PROVIDE A SAFE HAVEN IN WHICH TO FACILITATE PROGRAMS + SERVICES WHICH MEET THE ^{VARIOUS} NEEDS OF ALL MEMBERS OF THE COMMUNITY, FROM ^{YOUNG} CHILDREN THROUGH SENIOR CITIZENS.

Membership:

- how many members do you have? 10
- who can be a member? ANY COMMUNITY MEMBER OF CAMBRIDGE.
- how are new members solicited? ALL INTERESTED MEMBERS OF THE COMMUNITY ARE ENCOURAGED TO PARTICIPATE.

Activities: ENRICHMENT FOR AGES 5-14.

PRE-TEEN PROGRAMS

ADULT CLASSES + RECREATIONAL ACTIVITIES

COMMUNITY USE

ADULT REHEARSAL SPACE

SENIOR CITIZEN ACTIVITIES

VACATION SPECIALS FOR KIDS + THEIR FAMILIES

SUMMER CAMP

Organization:

- where do you meet? **PENBODY SCHOOL CAFE BALK**
 - is it always available? **USUALLY**
- how often do you meet? **ONCE A MONTH, MORE OR LESS**
- do you have by-laws? **YES**
- number of officers **4**
 - how elected? **OPEN VOTE**
- how is information about the organization distributed and how often? **MAILINGS + VERBAL COMMUNICATION**
 - mailings? **YES**
 - newsletters? **YES**
 - cable? **NO**

Resources:

- source(s) of funding
 - city?
 - state?
 - federal?
 - private?
 - dues? **/ FEES /**
 - fund raisers?
- how acquired (grant applications)? **ON OCCASION**
- how allocated? **DECISION OF COUNCIL**
- other types of support from city agencies (CDD, Human Services)
 - staffing? **VOLUNTEER**
 - other resources? **DONATIONS**

CITY OF CAMBRIDGE

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COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

Neighborhood Ten: Neighborhood Ten

POPULATION 8,337 (8.7% of the city's population)

Neighborhood Ten is one of the least densely developed of the city's residential neighborhoods. The neighborhood is characterized by relatively large house lots, with a large number of sizable single family homes especially along Brattle Street. Denser two family structures are concentrated in the western and northern sections of the neighborhood. Over half of the neighborhood's residents have lived in the same house since 1985, the lowest turn over rate of all the city's neighborhoods.

INCOME Median family income: \$73,300 (183% of city-wide median)
 Median household income: \$54,678 (165% of city-wide median)

Neighborhood Ten is the wealthiest neighborhood in the city, in terms of both family and household incomes. The median family income for this neighborhood is also significantly higher than that of the second wealthiest neighborhood, Agassiz (\$55,407.)

AGE DISTRIBUTION On average, residents are older than all other neighborhoods except Cambridge Highlands.

HOUSEHOLDS Family households 50% (45% city-wide)
 Non-family households 50% (55% city-wide)

The proportion of family households in Neighborhood Ten is higher than the city as a whole. Families with children have increase by 11 percent between 1980 and 1990, compared with a nearly four percent decrease city-wide.

EMPLOYMENT Neighborhood Ten ranks third in level of educational attainment of all Cambridge neighborhoods and continues to lead the city in the percentage of workers employed as executives and managers (23%).

OPEN SPACE Neighborhood Ten contains approximately 42 acres of public recreational open space.

Charles Riverfront (MDC)	passive park	14.0 acres
Commonwealth Park	passive park	3.3 acres
Fresh Pond Reservation (Neighborhood Ten portion)	passive park	15.0 acres
Kingsley Park	toboggan slide	
John F. Kennedy Park (MDC)	passive	
Larch Road Playground	play area, tot-lot	0.1 acres
Longfellow Park	passive	2.2 acres
Lowell Park	passive park	3.2 acres
Lowell School	tot-lot, basketball	0.5 acres
Tobin School/Callahan Park	play area, tot-lot, ball field	3.3 acres
Winthrop Square Park/ War Memorial Park	passive park	0.3 acres

PUBLIC FACILITIES Tobin Community School
 Cambridge Cemetery 66 acres

PRIVATE FACILITIES Cambridge Art Center
 Charles Square courtyard
 Harvard University

Name of Organization: Harvard Sq Defense Fund

History of Organization:

• date established? March 9, 1979

Mission: See attached articles of organization

Membership:

- how many members do you have? approximately 500 non voting
- who can be a member? by making a financial contribution
- how are new members solicited? by mail

Activities: ① we monitor the following activities in Harvard Sq:

Licensing	Parking	Design Review
Development	Traffic	Protection of open space
Security - zoning	Fast Food	
	clean up	

- ② we attend meetings and hearings of City Boards and Depts as needed in matters relating to the above.
- ③ we meet and coordinate our activities with other community groups.
- ④ we sponsor alone or with others public meetings to inform our constituents/members.
- ⑤ we meet regularly with Harvard Univ. representatives to discuss issues of mutual concern and to resolve differences.

Organization:

- where do you meet? 11 1/2 Hilliard st
- is it always available? no
- how often do you meet? once a month
- do you have by-laws? yes
- number of officers 7 officers + 15 Directors (Voting members of Corporation)
- how elected? by the Directors
- how is information about the organization distributed and how often? at community meetings sponsored by HSOF
- mailings? once a year
- newsletters? once a year
- cable? we'd like to start to use cable

Resources:

- source(s) of funding
 - city? none
 - state? none
 - federal? none
 - private? yes in the form of annual contributions - no set amount required
 - dues?
 - fund raisers? yes
- how acquired (grant applications)?
- how allocated?
- other types of support from city agencies (CDD, Human Services)
 - staffing? all volunteer
 - other resources?

MDC

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ARTICLES OF ORGANIZATION

(Under G.L. Ch. 180)

Incorporators

NAME	RESIDENCE
<i>Include given name in full in case of natural persons; in case of a corporation, give state of incorporation.</i>	
Dean R. Johnson	8 Foster Place, Cambridge, Mass.
Olive Holmes	22 Farwell Place, Cambridge, Mass.
Avis DeVoto	984 Memorial Drive, Cambridge, Mass.
Sarah Wolfensohn	11 1/2 Hilliard Street, Cambridge, Mass.
John D. Pollack	24 Farwell Place, Cambridge, Mass.

The above-named incorporator(s) do hereby associate (themselves) with the intention of forming a corporation under the provisions of General Laws, Chapter 180 and hereby state(s):

- The name by which the corporation shall be known is:

Harvard Square Defense Fund, Inc.

- The purposes for which the corporation is formed are as follows:

The Corporation is organized for ~~charitable and educational purposes~~ as set forth in Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954, as amended, and shall be to educate the public regarding the environmental and ecological deterioration of the Harvard Square area of Cambridge, Massachusetts ~~to preserve and enhance its unique urban fabric;~~ to carry on and support non-partisan analysis, study and research with respect to, and how to prevent, further environmental and ecological deterioration of the Harvard Square area of Cambridge; to ~~assist in the education of the general public as to how to maintain the delicate balance between business, institutional and residential uses which exist in Harvard Square;~~ to provide advice, counseling and financial assistance to individuals and organizations desirous of preventing the environmental and ecological deterioration of the Harvard Square area; ~~to encourage and promote through research and education the adoption of effective controls which will insure development which is consistent with the scale and character of Harvard Square and its environs;~~ to engage in or support any legal proceedings or administrative procedures to prevent the environmental and ecological deterioration of the Harvard Square area; and in general to promote the protection of the ecology and environment of the Harvard Square area.

NOTE: If provisions for which the space provided under Articles 2, 3 and 4 is not sufficient, additions should be set out on continuation sheets to be numbered 2A, 2B, etc. Indicate under each Article where the provision is set out. Continuation sheets shall be on 8 1/4" x 11" paper and must have a left-hand margin 1 inch wide for binding. Only one side should be used.

Name of Organization: Tobin Neighborhood Council

History of Organization:

• date established? 1972(?)

The Tobin Community/Neighborhood Council was established as a policy-making/advisory board for the Tobin Community School Program.

Mission:

The Tobin Neighborhood Council meets to advise and create policy for the Tobin Community School Program which provides educational, cultural and recreational programs for all age groups and all socio-economic groups within the Tobin area and Cambridge.

Membership:

- how many members do you have?
- who can be a member?
- how are new members solicited? New members are solicited through flyers distributed through the Tobin Public School

Activities:

Activities include advising, policy making, fundraising for the Tobin Community School Program.

Organization: Tobin Neighborhood Council

- where do you meet? Tobin School, 197 Vassal Lane
 - is it always available? Yes
- how often do you meet? Monthly
- do you have by-laws? Yes
- number of officers Yes
 - how elected? Through vote of general membership.
- how is information about the organization distributed and how often?
 - mailings? ✓
 - newsletters? ✓
 - cable?

Resources:

- source(s) of funding
 - city? ✓
 - state?
 - federal?
 - private?
 - dues?
 - fund raisers? ✓
- how acquired (grant applications)?
- how allocated? Through Department of Human Services
- other types of support from city agencies (CDD, Human Services)
 - staffing? ✓
 - other resources? ✓ (5000.00 Program Money)
for Tobin Community School

Neighborhood Eleven: North Cambridge

POPULATION 10,769 (11.2% of the city's population)

One of the largest neighborhoods in the city, both physically and in terms of population size, North Cambridge is becoming less homogeneous. White residents have decreased to just under 70 percent (down from 79 percent.) Asian and Pacific Islander residents have shown the greatest increase, doubling their representation since 1980 to nearly eight percent; black residents now make up 20 percent of the neighborhood's population compared to 14 percent in 1980.

INCOME Median family income: \$37,236 (93% of city-wide median)
Median household income: \$31,516 (95% of city-wide median)

While household and family incomes have increased in North Cambridge since 1980, they remain just below the city-wide medians.

AGE DISTRIBUTION North Cambridge is another neighborhood experiencing an aging of its population. Between 1980 and 1990, 35-44 year old increased by 83 percent. There was a 19 percent increase in the number of infants and toddlers under four; however, the number of children and young adults decreased.

HOUSEHOLDS Family households: 52% (45% city-wide)
Non-family households: 48% (55% city-wide)

In 1990, women headed 32 percent of all North Cambridge families, the highest proportion of all neighborhoods except Neighborhood Four (43%.) Fifteen percent of all North Cambridge families are single mothers with children under 18, ranking third after Neighborhood Four (31%) and Cambridgeport (19%.)

EMPLOYMENT The percentage of residents over 25 having a college degree is lower than the city as a whole, but it is not the lowest in city. Once a solidly blue collar neighborhood, the largest employers are now the education industry (16%), wholesale and retail trade (14%), manufacturing (13%) and health services (12%), in that order.

OPEN SPACE There are ten public recreational open space facilities in North Cambridge including: four tot-lots; three large field facilities; and one outdoor pool which the MDC operates. Total acres of open space equals 23.5 acres.

Alewife Reservation (MDC)	passive	
Clarendon Avenue Park	passive, tot-lot	0.4 acres
Comeau	ball field	4.3 acres
Jefferson Park	tot-lot	1.6 acres
Linear Park	passive	acres
Parkway Tot-lot	tot-lot	0.1 acres
Rev. Williams (Sleeper) Tot Lot	tot lot	
Rindge Field	ball field, tot lot, tennis courts basketball	6.5 acres
Russell Field	ball field, football	6.0 acres
McCreehan Pool (MDC)		

PUBLIC FACILITIES Rindge Community Center (Gately Shelter Youth Center)
Fitzgerald Community School
North Cambridge Senior Center
Jefferson Park Community Room

Name of Organization: NORTH CAMBRIDGE STABILIZATION COMMITTEE

History of Organization:

- date established?

THE STABILIZATION COMMITTEE (ORIGINALLY "AREWIFE AREA STABILIZATION PROGRAM" RE: CALENDAR ITEM #5,6/30/8 HAS EXISTED FOR OVER A DECADE. IT WAS CREATED IN RESPONSE TO THE AREWIFE T. STATION CONSTRUCTION WHICH WAS EXPECTED TO IMPACT ADJUTING NEIGHBORHOOD SIGNIFICANTLY.

Mission:

OUR MISSION IS TO DEFINE THE NEEDS OF OUR COMMUNITY AND TO DEVELOP LONG AND SHORT TERM OBJECTIVES FOR THE NEIGHBORHOOD:

- 1) PROMOTE RESIDENTIAL STABILITY
- 2) ENHANCE NEIGHBORHOOD ENJOYMENT
- 3) STRENGTHEN THROUGH PLANNING AND OVERSIGHT SMALL BUSINESS ENTERPRISES
- 4) ADVOCACY OF MUNICIPAL GOVERNMENT RESPONSIVENESS TO THE NEEDS OF THE COMMUNITY

Membership:

- how many members do you have?
- who can be a member?
- how are new members solicited?

MEMBERSHIP VARIES FROM YEAR TO YEAR - MEETINGS RANGE FROM TWELVE TO SIXTY. ALL ATTENDEES ARE MEMBERS. VOTING MEMBERS MUST COMPLY WITH BYLAWS.

Activities:

- 1) BUDGET PROCESS (ALLOCATION OF \$200,000. PER ANNUM)
- 2) PARKS + PLAYGROUND PLANNING
- 3) CRIME TASK FORCE (NEIGHBORHOOD CRIME WATCH GROUP)
- 4) SUBCOMMITTEES (A WIDE VARIETY OF COMMITTEES FOCUSING ON SPECIFIC PROBLEMS)
- 5) COMPREHENSIVE PLANNING GROUPS
- 6) REGULAR REVIEW OF ZONING AND LICENSING MATTE
- 7) ANNUAL DINNER/MEETING
- 8) NEWS PAPER

Organization:

- where do you meet? *CATELY SHELTER*
 - is it always available? *USUALLY*
- how often do you meet? *TWICE MONTHLY (BUDGET CYCLE - WEEKLY)*
- do you have by-laws? *YES*
- number of officers *VARIABLES - (USUALLY A CHAIRMAN, VICE CHAIRMAN + SECRETARY)*
 - how elected? *VOICE VOTE*
- how is information about the organization distributed and how often? *COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT FLYER AND NEWS PAPER.*
 - mailings?
 - newsletters?
 - cable?

Resources:

- source(s) of funding *GENERAL FUND ALLOCATION \$200,000 PER YEAR*
 - city?
 - state?
 - federal?
 - private?
 - dues?
 - fund raisers?
- how acquired (grant applications)?
- how allocated?
- other types of support from city agencies (CDD, Human Services)
 - staffing?
 - other resources?

Name of Organization:

Fitzgerald Community School
Fitzgerald Neighborhood Council

History of Organization:

• date established?

1971

Mission:

To provide a variety of educational, recreational, social and cultural enrichment services for all age groups. The Fitzgerald Council strives to develop high quality and cost effective programs. The Council collaborates with other agencies including the Fitzgerald School, the Gately Youth Center, the Recreation Division, Special Needs Program, the Fitzgerald Afterschool Childcare Program, the Office of Substance Abuse and the N.C. Crime Task Force.

Membership:

- how many members do you have? 6
- who can be a member? any resident of N. Cambridge 16 or older
- how are new members solicited?
 - flyers through school
 - Chronicle
 - cable
 - mailings
 - Fitzgerald School newsletter

Activities:

Children's Programs:

- piano lessons
- floor hockey ages 7-9
- floor hockey ages 10-12
- 4 modern dance classes ages 2 1/2 - 12
- 4 gymnastic classes ages 2 1/2 - 12
- 2 arts n crafts classes
- soccer
- basketball
- Knitting
- Capriola
- French lessons
- Spanish lessons
- Teen Programs
- Basketball

vacation programs
holiday events
summer camp

Adult Programs:

- womens exercise
- basketball
- Astrology
- AA
- Karate
- Knitting
- Conversational Fran
- Conversational Span.

Senior Programs

- Knitting
- monthly trips

Accommodate N.C. Little League, Camb Youth Soccer, NCC Girls Basketball, neighborhood groups upon request
also Pop War.

Organization:

- where do you meet? *Fitzgerald School*
- is it always available? *yes*
- how often do you meet? *every other month*
- do you have by-laws? *yes*
- number of officers *2*
- how elected? *by members*
- how is information about the organization distributed and how often? *every other month*
- mailings? *yes*
- newsletters? *yes*
- cable? *yes*

Resources:

- source(s) of funding
 - city? *yes*
 - state? *no*
 - federal? *no*
 - private? *no*
 - dues? *tuitions*
 - fund raisers? *yes*
- how acquired (grant applications)?
- how allocated?
- other types of support from city agencies (CDD, Human Services) *Human Services*
 - staffing? *yes*
 - other resources? *yes*

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Neighborhood Twelve: Cambridge Highlands

POPULATION 574 (0.6% of the city's population)

Cambridge Highlands is, by far, the smallest of the city's neighborhoods, in terms of population and the most homogeneous in terms of racial composition. Less than seven percent of its population is non-white.

INCOME Median family income: \$43,214 (108% of city-wide median)
Median household income \$37,125 (112% of city-wide median)

Cambridge Highland is the fifth wealthiest neighborhood in the city in terms of median family income (after Neighborhood Ten, Agassiz, Nine and Mid Cambridge.) However, it experienced the smallest increase (2% compared to a city-wide average of 25%) in median family income between 1980 and 1990. This may be due, in large part, to an older population who are at or past their peak income-earning years and the low turn over of residents.

AGE DISTRIBUTION The Highlands is the oldest neighborhood with residents over the age of 45 comprising 56 percent of the neighborhood's population. Only six percent of the population is aged 19 years or younger.

HOUSEHOLDS Family households 41% (45% city-wide)
Non-family households 59% (55% city-wide)

Cambridge Highlands has probably undergone the most dramatic shift of all neighborhoods in family/non-family composition since 1980. In 1980, 57 percent of all households were families; that proportion shrunk to 41 percent by 1990.

EMPLOYMENT The proportion of residents in the labor force is one of the lowest in the city, probably due to the number of retired people. Of those working, one-fifth work in professional and related services and nearly another fifth work in public administration. One third of the population over 25 has a college degree or higher.

OPEN SPACE Although Cambridge Highland's open space accounts for over twenty percent of the city's public recreational open space, almost the total amount is around the city's reservoir at Fresh Pond. There is only one other facility, a small playground behind Santa Maria Hospital, for neighborhood use. The facility is currently in need of a complete renovation, planned for 1994.

Blair Pond/		
Wellington Brook (MDC)	passive	
Fresh Pond Reservation	passive, community garden	60.0 acres
(Cambridge Highlands portion only)		
Rafferty Playground	tot-lot, tennis court, ball field	2.3 acres

PUBLIC FACILITIES None

PRIVATE FACILITIES Abt Association Swimming Pool (open to public membership)

Neighborhood Thirteen: Strawberry Hill

POPULATION 2,609 (2.7% of the city's population)

Strawberry Hill has followed the city-wide trend of increased racial diversification since 1980. Since then, black residents have more than doubled (now 14 percent of the population,) and, though small proportionally (4.5%), Asians and Pacific Islanders have tripled.

INCOME Median family income: \$35,357 (88% of the city-wide median)
Median household income: \$26,368 (80% of the city-wide median)

This neighborhood has seen a decrease in income levels relative to the city-wide medians. In 1980, the neighborhood median household income was equal to that of the city overall, and median family income was 91 percent of the city figure.

AGE DISTRIBUTION The major employer of Strawberry Hill residents is the educational industry, accounting for one-fifth of all jobs. The manufacturing industry still employs 14 percent of the work force; however, this percentage has decreased somewhat since 1980. Participation of mothers in the labor force has grown strikingly since 1980. One third of adult residents have a college degree or higher, one of the lower proportions in the city.

OPEN SPACE The Strawberry Hill neighborhood has 80.5 acres of public recreational open space. As with Cambridge Highlands, almost all of this land is attributed to Fresh Pond Reservation, the city's reservoir. Only one other facility exists for the neighborhood - the play yard associated with the Haggerty School. The city is currently rebuilding the school, making the play area unavailable until construction is completed in 1994.

Fresh Pond Reservation	passive park with active uses:	80.0 acres
Glacken Field	basketball, tennis, ball field	
Municipal Golf Course	nine hole golf course	
Haggerty School	tot-lot, basketball	0.5 acres
(not operational during construction)		

PUBLIC FACILITIES Golf Course Clubhouse
Haggerty Community School (operating in North Cambridge during school construction)

PRIVATE FACILITIES Mount Auburn Cemetery (passive - arboretum) 15 acres in Cambridge (approximately)

Name of Organization:

Haggerty Neighborhood
Council

History of Organization:

•date established?

10/75 as Haggerty Community
School Council

Mission:

To enhance the quality of
life for all residents, address
issues & concerns as well as
provide necessary services through
referrals & direct services

Membership:

- how many members do you have?
- who can be a member?
- how are new members solicited?

- ① direct contact
- ② flyers thru school
- ③ door to door flyers
- ④ Newspapers
- ⑤ other agencies

any resident of Haggerty
Neighborhood 16 or over
or Parents of Haggerty
Students

Activities:

After School Enrichment

Pre Teen & Teen activities & Trips
eg Camping, Skiing

Adult activities eg: Trips, workshops
speakers

Seniors - club, speakers, trips
Bingo, workshops

Community: USDA distributors, Share
Safe Neight,

Ground Round Fresh Pond

Organization:

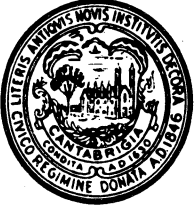
- where do you meet?
 - is it always available?
- how often do you meet?
- do you have by-laws?
- number of officers
 - how elected?
- how is information about the organization distributed and how often?
 - mailings?
 - newsletters?
 - cable?

last Monday - ee month
yes not July/Aug
yes
4
gen election
flyers thru school
bi monthly
sometimes

Resources:

- source(s) of funding
 - city?
 - state?
 - federal?
 - private?
 - dues?
 - fund raisers?
- how acquired (grant applications)?
- how allocated?
- other types of support from city agencies (CDD, Human Services)
 - staffing?
 - other resources?

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To The Honorable, The City Council:

Please find attached a response to Awaiting Report Item No. 2, regarding a survey of various community organizations which regularly convene in the City, received from Susan Schlesinger, Acting Assistant City Manager for Community Development.

Very truly yours,

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for original order, see
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