



# MARTINDALE-BRIGHTWOOD: MAKING OUR COMMUNITY SAFE

Share the Vision  
Meeting 9

Martindale-Brightwood Environmental Justice Collaborative  
Improving Kids' Environment, Inc.



# Welcome and Introductions

Mrs. Elizabeth Gore

MBEJC Leadership Chair



# Agenda

# Housekeeping

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# MBEJC Committee Reports

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# Illegal Dumping



# City's Role in Illegal Dumping Issues

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# Illegal Dumping in Martindale Brightwood

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# Illegal Dumping Model Programs

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# Effective Tools



- ❑ Signage
- ❑ Lighting
- ❑ Reducing access
- ❑ Landscaping and beautification
- ❑ Community oriented policing
- ❑ Nail a Dumper hotline (Franklin Co, OH)
- ❑ Offering a reward of 50% of collected fine for affidavit leading to conviction (NYC)



# Keep Indianapolis Beautiful



- Neighborhood Clean-ups
  - Provides tools, dumpster, gloves
  - Neighborhood organizes volunteers
- Adopt-a-Block Program
  - Incentive program for individuals to clean up their yards and areas around their property
  - KIB staff monitors and awards prizes to the nicest looking block



# Corporate Partners



- Philiapride in Philadelphia, PA
- Corporations that have dumping problems on their property help pay for cleanup and enforcement efforts
- Conrail Corp contributes \$25,000 annually



# Charlotte, North Carolina



- Established an environmental court
- Anyone convicted required to run full-page ad in the newspaper apologizing for violation



# City of Chicago Illegal Dumping Ordinance



- ❑ Fines up to \$2,000
- ❑ Up to 6 months jail sentence
- ❑ Up to 200 hours community service
- ❑ Pay 3 times cost of clean-up
- ❑ Terminate city contracts
- ❑ Seizure and impoundment of vehicles
  - ▣ Including \$500 fine, towing and storage fees



# Risk Characterization Matrix and Scoring

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Executive Director  
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# Environmental Threats



- Healthy Homes
  - Lead Paint in Homes
  - Indoor Air (smoking, carbon monoxide, radon, asbestos)
  - Mold/ Moisture
  - Household Chemicals and Pesticides
  - Code Violations, Boarded Up & Abandoned Properties
  - Senior Housing Risks
- Land
  - Illegal Dumping
  - Brownfields
  - Lead in Soil
- Water
  - Stormwater Drainage & Flooding
  - Drinking Water Safety
  - Groundwater Contamination
- Outdoor Air
  - Traffic
  - Industry
  - Open Burning
  - Construction & Dust
- Other Issues
  - Noise Pollution
  - Lack of Beautification
  - Stray Animals



# Criteria: Exposure



- Number of People Exposed
- Children Exposed
- Elderly Population Exposed
- Frequency of Exposure



# Criteria: Health Effects



- Likelihood of Illness
- Seriousness of Illness
- Duration of Illness
- Reversibility of Illness



# Criteria: Quality of Life & Data Availability



- Quality of Life
  - Intensity of Problem
  - Psychological Affects
- Data Availability
  - Amount of Data Available
  - How Certain is the Data?



# Criteria: Community Considerations



- Level of Community Concern
- Feasibility of Local Action (Education)
- Feasibility of Local Action (Mitigation)
- Feasibility of Government Action



# Scoring System



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<b>Exposure</b>					
Number of People Exposed	80-100%	60-79%	40-59%	20-39%	0-19%
Children Exposed: How vulnerable are children to exposure?	Very		Somewhat		Low
Elderly Population Exposed: How vulnerable are the elderly?	Very		Somewhat		Low
Frequency of Exposure	24 hours/day	Daily	Weekly	Seasonally or Annually	Infrequent
<b>Health Effects</b>					
Likelihood of Illness	> 1 in a 1,000	> 1 in 10,000	> 1 in 100,000	> 1 in 1,000,000	<1 in 1,000,000
Seriousness of Illness	Terminal Never fully recover	Disabling	Chronic Pain	Manageable Symptoms	Minor irritation/annoyance
Duration of Illness		Years	Months	Days to weeks	Hours
Reversibility of Illness	Not reversible		Usually reversible		Temporary condition
<b>Quality of Life</b>					
Intensity of Problem	Unbearable	Frustrating	Annoying	Noticeable	Insignificant
Psychological Affects	Hopelessness / Despair	Fear	Worry	Concern	Minor concern
<b>Data Availability</b>					
Amount of Data Available	Local info available	Drawn from Regional info	Drawn from Broad studies	Data gaps, but thoughtfully based	Anecdotal evidence
How Certain is the Data?*	Certain: monitoring or modeling data		Some uncertainty		Uncertain
<b>Community Considerations</b>					
Level of Community Concern	High		Medium		Low
Feasibility of Local Action (Education)	High		Medium		Low
Feasibility of Local Action (Mitigation)	High		Medium		Low
Feasibility of Government Action	High		Medium		Low



# Next Meeting

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# Next Meetings



- **May 3: Environmental Health Workshop**

Hillside Neighborhood Assn

JTV Hill Center, 6 – 8 p.m.

- **June 24: Share the Vision Meeting – Risk Characterization (Scoring) Meeting**

Washington Park Family Center

- **July 29: Risk Ranking Meeting**

Washington Park Family Center



# Open Forum/Announcements



# Contact Us....



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# Thank you for your participation in the MBEJC!

See you on May 3