



March 2021 Broadmoor Neighborhood Meeting Minutes

7:00-7:02: Welcome from BIA Executive Director Sarah Pritchard

7:02:-7:03 Introduction of Agenda

- Welcome & General Announcements from Sarah Pritchard, BIA Executive Director and Justin Boone, BIA Board President
- Announcement from Sen. Karen Carter Peterson
- Presentation from Toure Folkes, Founder, Turning Tables
- Announcement from Sinnidira Taylor of Codey's Commissionary
- Presentation from Bobbie Fontenot, CWD, Business and Industry Development Manager at Delgado Community College
- Presentation from Jeanette Delgado, ANPPM
- Announcing the Broadmoor Boutique, Bethanie Mangigian, BIA Wellness Director
- Questions, Concerns, and Announcements from Broadmoor Residents

7:03 - 7:05: BIA Board Announcement from Justin Boone, BIA Board President

- Justin Boone, BIA Board President informs residents of openings in Board positions for Sub-Group A and Sub-Group B. There is also an Appointed Members position vacant.
- As of March 2021, there are 6 out of 13 members. By April of 2021, there will be 9 out of 13 members and by the end of the year, the BIA Board would like to reach full membership.
- The BIA Board is made of five committees, Executive Committee, Human Resources, Governance, Finance & Fund Development, and Neighborhood Engagement.
- Residents are encouraged to get involved. Anyone interested in joining the Board can contact Justin Boone, BIA Board President via email at justin.boone@broadmoorimprovement.com

7:05-7:18: Announcement from Sen. Karen Carter Peterson

- Karen Carter Peterson is an attorney and politician serving as a member of the Louisiana State Senate from the 5th district. She previously served as the chair of the Louisiana Democratic Party from 2012 to 2020, the first woman in the role.
- Election day is March 20, 2021 with an April 24, 2021 runoff.
- Sen. Karen Carter Peterson is seeking the 2nd congressional seat as number #5 on the ballot. She humbly asks residents for their vote and support.
- Residents can visit www.karencarterpeterson.com to learn more and her email is karencarterpeterson@teamkcp.org for more information and questions.
- Sarah Pritchard, BIA Executive Director encourages all Broadmoor residents to get out and vote for the candidate of their choice and feel free to reach out to the BIA if they are unsure of their polling place.

7:18-7:28: Presentation from Toure Folkes, Founder, Turning Tables

- Toure Folkes, Founder, Turning Tables advocates from equality in the hospitality industry primarily focusing on career pathways through bartending and bartending adjacent such as distilling, brewing and management.
- There is a 12 week mentorship program with 6 weeks in restaurants and bar spaces.
- Turning Tables is in its second year. It has a partnership with Liberty's Kitchen and has worked with other like minded organizations locally and nationally.
- Toure Folkes, Founder, Turning Tables asks if anyone has questions. A resident asks "If anyone knows a young person interested in participating how do they get information?" Toure Folkes answers "Our instagram, Facebook and [our website](#) have information about the program. Residents can also email me at info@turningtablesnola.org"
- Residents ask "Do you work with High School students who are interested in an internship and who is your target audience?" Toure Folkes answers "Definitely 21 and up but we work with 912 Julia as well as Making Connections NOLA in the Bywater. If you send an email I can recommend other resources."
- Sarah Pritchard, BIA Executive Director reads a message that was dropped in the chat. YEP is a great resource for high school students with programs, tutoring and workforce development.

7:28-7:38: Announcement from Sinnidira Taylor of Codey's Commissary

- Sinnidira Taylor introduces Codey's Commissary and plays a video about the construction and mission of Codey's Commissary.
- Codey's Commissary's vision is to create and cultivate a space for food entrepreneurs and eaters alike that will bring the creativity of New Orleans' best food entrepreneurs to the bellies of locals and tourists alike. Codey's will support the advancement of culinary artists by creating a space that embodies a culture of community, reciprocity, and innovation.

- They are currently fundraising for Phase 1 of Codey's buildout. Codey's Commissionary is asking for assistance in raising \$250,00. All funds raised will be used to outfit the commercial kitchen with the needed appliances. Donations can be made at ifundwomen.com
- Every other Saturday starting March 20, 2021, Sinnidira is hosting a pop up from 10 am to 2 pm outside of Codey's Commissionary located at 3520 4th St, New Orleans, LA 70125. A calendar of the pop up dates can be found at codeysnola.com
- Sarah Pritchard, BIA Executive Director asked "How can people be a part of Codey's Commissionary?" Sinnidira Taylor answers "The program will launch in the summer of 2021 and entrepreneurs will go through six months of training and if you want to get on the mailing list there is a place on our website to subscribe."

7:38 - 7:40: Presentation from Bobbie Fontenot, CWD, Business and Industry Development Manager at Delgado Community College

- Sarah Pritchard, BIA Executive Director announced that Bobbie Fontenot was unable to attend the neighborhood meeting but would like to share information about the Workforce Development Program that can be found on the BIA MARCH 2021 Meeting Minutes document.
- The Reboot Your Career program is designed to support workers who may be unemployed or wishing to change their career pathways. Residents can visit [Reboot Your Career page](#) on Delgado Community College Website for the program for residents to learn more.

7:40 - 7:49: Presentation about Senior Community Service Employment Program

- [Senior Community Service Employment Program](#) funded through the Department of Labor. The program focuses on working with seniors primarily individuals 55 years and older. Individuals who qualify are low income and unemployed looking to get back into the workforce because social security benefits are not enough to support their lifestyles.
- A priority is given to individuals who meet any of the following criteria: unhoused, disabled, ESL, have low literacy skills, veterans and their spouses.
- The Senior Community Service Employment Program Office serves eight different parishes in South Louisiana and partners with over 40 agencies to find job placements.
- Their office is located inside of the United Way Building at 2515 Canal Street, New Orleans, LA 70119.
- When an individual enrolls in their program, the Senior Community Service Employment Program places them with one of their over 40 partner agencies to job train for 16 to 20 hours per week with minimum wage payment. Job searches are required every month during the training period because the goal of the program is to find unsubsidized employment.
- Eligible individuals have up to four years in the program. Individual employment plans are created with them every six months as well as reviews and depending on their

situation if they need any additional resources the program refers them to any local community resources from basic paying utility bills, professional clothing, food or housing assistance.

- The Senior Community Service Employment Program partners with local Louisiana workforce commissions, like Job1 and the program refers individuals to them for help with resumes and other training classes they may need. Currently there are 125 participants in the program and are not accepting more applications at this time due to the pandemic. If anyone is interested in being a participant or a host agency let us know because I am taking referrals and even though we can not take in new participants we can put them on the waiting list.
- Jeanette Delgado, ANPPM asks if there are any questions. A resident asks “ I know of a few individuals who are on fixed income who are interested in additional work but they are wary about it because they do not want to impact their current salaries. Do you provide education around navigating that?” Jeanette Delgado, ANPPM answers “Yes, a lot of our participants are in that situation where they receive government assistance. Because we are federally funded, The wages they receive do not affect their food stamps or subsidized housing however the wages could affect their social security benefits. We do talk to the participants about what this additional wage can affect or not. We also have them double check with their social security office.
- A resident asks “ Is it affected that a participant would be expected to earn a wage greater than minimum wage, unemployment benefits or their SSI check with the skills taught?” Jeanette Delgado, ANPPM answers “We partner with government and nonprofit agencies so the skills taught will vary as well as employment opportunities.
- A resident asks “Can small businesses host?” Jeanette Delgado, ANPPM answers it has to be a non profit organization or government agency “There can be one supervisor for every three participants.”
- Any agency interested in hosting or a resident interested in participating can reach Jeanette Delgado, ANPPM via email at :
- Sarah Pritchard, BIA Executive Director recommends from a hosting standpoint ANPPM as the organization has employed Front Desk Assambadors through their partnership with The Senior Community Service Employment Program.

7:49 - 7:54: Announcing the Broadmoor Boutique

- Bethanie Mangigian, BIA Wellness Director presents the Broadmoor Boutique and informs residents of the other offerings at the BIA which include the emergency food pantry, Snap sign up, sliding scale counseling, as well a new couples counseling.
- The Broadmoor Community Closet called the Broadmoor Boutique will launch in a few months. The space will offer casual clothing for low to no cost prices to support unhoused and low income people. Residents will be able to make an appointment to visit. The BIA will start to solicit donations of washed gently used clothing of all genders & sizes.

- Volunteers will be needed to support this effort on a consistent basis to sort and assemble clothing at the Arts & Wellness Center.
- A Day of Service will be announced in the upcoming weeks for clothing racks, hangers and other donations to support this resource we are setting up.
- The Broadmoor Boutique will be at the Broadmoor Arts and Wellness Center at 3900 General Taylor St, New Orleans, LA, 70125. There will be elevator access for residents as it will be on the second floor in Suite 226.
- Residents can follow up with questions at bethanie@broadmoorimprovement.com to get involved in making this clothing closet a reality.

7:55- 8:05: Closing of February Neighborhood Meeting

- On Saturday April 10, 2021 from 9:00 am - 12:00 pm, Broadmoor Gardens Celebration & Service Day. The event will take place at the three Broadmoor green spaces where residents can get involved in stewarding the community gardens and contribute to the overall beauty and health of Broadmoor. The three gardens are the Broadmoor Food Pantry Garden, The Broadmoor Food Forest, and the Broadmoor Rain Garden. Residents can RSVP at [the Broadmoor Garden Celebration link](#)
- The BIA will host Movies in the Park on May 7, 2021 on the Rosa Keller Library Lawn. It will be a free event in partnership with NORD and New Orleans Public library.
- BIA Executive Director Sarah Pritchard asks if there were any burning questions before the meeting adjourns. A resident asked "I know you will receive some childrens clothing anyway, Is the BIA looking to partner with another agency like Goodwill to receive donations to pick it up that do not meet the criteria of the Broadmoor Boutique?" Bethanie Mangigian, BIA Wellness Director answers "That is something we want to do especially if we could get funding to support school uniforms. In the short term, we will probably have to donate items to organizations such as Goodwill. That's why we would like for residents to only send what we request.
- Neighborhood Liaison District B Talva Burnett shares information about the City of New Orleans Rental Assistance Program that is available to residents who qualify as well as the yard signs that residents can pick up at Rosa Keller Library, NORD centers at the receptionist desk, and other libraries to encourage others to get vaccinated. Any resident 55 and older or individuals with pre-existing conditions now qualify for the vaccine. Call 311 to schedule an appointment. Residents can register to get the zoom link for the [Neighborhood Leaders' Roundtable on Public Safety](#). Residents will hear from and engage with NOPD Superintendent Shaun Ferguson, NOFD Chief Roman Nelson, EMS Director Dr. Emily Nichols and Commissioner Tenisha Stevens of the Office of Criminal Justice Coordination. They will share their visions and new programs for their respective departments.
- Residents can meet the Broadmoor Neighborhood Liaison. Monday through Wednesday from 10:30 am - 5:00 pm to share any questions, comments or concerns in person or by virtual appointment. To make an appointment, please call 504 - 658 - 4933 or go to www.nola.gov/coh

- BIA Executive Director Sarah Pritchard reminds residents that the next Broadmoor Neighborhood Meeting will be on April 19, 2021 at 7:00 pm in person on the lawn of Rosa Keller Library and on Zoom.
- BIA Executive Director Sarah Pritchard adjourned the meeting and thanked everyone for being in attendance.