

SARA STRENGTHS – March 21, 2009

PROCESS:

IDENTIFYING STAKEHOLDERS MAKES YOU THINK FIRST

WORKING TOGETHER TO TRY TO SOLVE PROBLEMS

FOCUS ON DATA HELPS IDENTIFY ROOT CAUSES

EFFECTIVE-HELPS REASSESS AND LOOP BACK IF NECESSARY PREVENTATIVE MEASURES

INVOLVEMENT OF MORE PEOPLE

BREAKS DOWN THE PROCESS INTO STEPS

GO FROM CAUSE TO SOLUTION

SHARES RESPONSIBILITY - INSTEAD OF BLAME

ENCOURAGES NEIGHBORS TO COMMUNICATE

PROVIDING SOLUTIONS THAT DON'T RESULT IN CRIMINAL CHARGES

CHEAPER/MORE EYES

DIRECTIONAL FOCUS

GETS IMMEDIATE NEIGHBORS INVOLVED

SHOWS THE VALUE OF A GROUP WORKING ON A PROBLEM ONE PERSON DOESN'T DO IT ALONE

ANALYZE PROBLEM AND USE DATA METRICS TO SOLVE

CONVINCING TO OTHERS IF NUMBERS SHOW INCREASE PROPERTY VALUES, ETC.

WILL HAVE GREATER CHANCE TO SOLVE THE PROBLEM LONG TERM

STRONG NEIGHBORHOOD CONTROL

TRANSPARENT

UNDERSTANDING CONSEQUENCE

CREATE A TEAM ENVIRONMENT

GET TO KNOW YOUR NEIGHBORS' STRENGTHS, ASSETS

COMMUNITY RESOURCES IDENTIFYING/UTILIZING

SHARING RESOURCES

ESTABLISH/MAINTAIN SAFETY

BUILD RELATIONSHIPS BETWEEN STAKEHOLDERS

KNOW NEIGHBORHOODS NEEDS

NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION MEDIATION

MEDIATION BETWEEN GOVERNMENT/NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATIONS

INVOLVING NEIGHBORHOOD RESOURCES, CHURCHES, SCHOOLS, ETC.

VARIETY OF OPINIONS

COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT

ORGANIZED THOUGHTS

SHARED RESPONSIBILITY

AVOID KNEE JERK REACTIONS

IDENTIFY ROOT CAUSE OF PROBLEMS

COMMUNICATIONS IMPROVED

SEES PROBLEM FROM A DIFFERENT GROUP POINT OF VIEW

BRINGS NEIGHBORS TOGETHER TO SOLVE PROBLEMS BEFORE CALLING OFFICERS

GIVES DIRECTION

INCLUDES ANYONE WHO WANTS TO BE INVOLVED

HELPS STAY FOCUSED ON PROBLEM TO COMPLETION

DESCRIPTION:

SYSTEMATIC, BUT STRAIGHT FORWARD AND NOT TOO COMPLICATED

COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT

PREVENTATIVE MEASURES

INVOLVEMENT OF MORE PEOPLE

STRUCTURE AND ORGANIZATION

FOCUSES ON CAUSE RATHER THAN SYMPTOMS

SOLUTION ORIENTED

EMPOWERS AND INVOLVES CITIZENS

STANDARD INDUSTRY PRACTICE

A WAY TO BUILD A COMMUNITY

GOOD APPROACH TO SOLVING PROBLEMS

COMMUNITY FOCUSED VERSUS GOVERNMENT HEAVY INVOLVMENT

SIMPLE PROCESS

WIDELY APPLICABLE

RESULTS:

NEIGHBORHOOD IMPROVEMENT

SENSE OF OWNERSHIP
IMPROVEMENT IN STORE FRONT APPEARANCE AND MAINTENANCE
POTENTIAL INCREASE TO BUSINESS VITALITY
INCREASED NEIGHBORHOOD AWARENESS
SUSTAINABILITY BRINGS PEOPLE TOGETHER TO KEEP THINGS RUNNING
SMOOTHLY
MAKES BUSINESS SENSE TO KEEP A SAFE POSITIVE, CRIME FREE ENVIRONMENT
REDUCES CRIME/VANDALISM
RESOLVES ISSUES
BRINGS A FACE TO VICTIMS
COMMUNITY AWARENESS
LESS STRESS FOR ALL BAR OWNER/NEIGHBORS
HELPS BARS/BUSINESS
REDUCES RISK THEREFORE LOWERS INSURANCE
PUBLIC PERCEPTION
NEIGHBORHOOD INVOLVEMENT
PREVENTION
PROPERTY VALUES MAY GO UP
MORE COMMUNITY BUY IN
SENSE OF OWNERSHIP
LESS POLICE RELIANCE
INCREASES SAFETY
REDUCES CRIME
INCREASED COMMUNITY AWARENESS
BETTER UNDERSTANDING FOR EVERYONE

HOW CAN THIS (SARA) BE USED (APPLICATION)? – March 21, 2009

WHO CAN USE IT?

STAKEHOLDERS GET ACQUAINTED
NEIGHBORHOOD INVOLVEMENT
COMMUNICATION BETWEEN PEOPLE
FORMAL LETTER FROM CITY ABOUT THE INITIATIVE

CONDO ASSOCIATIONS RULES PROPERTY MANAGEMENT
HIGHER PROFILE BY POLICE
MUST HAVE NEIGHBORHOOD GROUPS AS FACILITATORS

FOR WHAT?

ORGANIZED PROBLEM SOLVING
FLEXIBLE FOR ANY KIND OF PROBLEM
ADAPT TO SPECIFIC PROBLEM SIZE
GREATER AWARENESS
CONFLICT RESOLUTION
INFORMATION SHARING CONCERNING DRUG USAGE IN THE NEIGHBORHOOD
CONNECTION OF NEIGHBORS
FUTURE PLANNING
SOLVE PROBLEMS
REDUCE CRIME
INCREASE SAFETY
COMMUNITY IMPROVEMENTS
STRENGTHENING COMMUNITIES
REINFORCING NEIGHBORHOOD IMPORTANCE
SENSE OF COMMUNITY OWNERSHIP
IDENTIFY LARGER PROBLEMS
IDENTIFY ROOT CAUSES OF PROBLEMS
GROUND LEVEL RESPONSE
ALLOWS FOR CREATIVE SOLUTIONS
FLEXIBILITY TO SOLVE PROBLEMS
DOES AWAY WITH BLACKLISTING AND RETRIBUTION
BUILDING TRUST WITH NEIGHBORS
WOULD MAKE A STRONGER NEIGHBORHOOD
ASSESS PROBLEMS FOR FURTHER FOLLOWUP
NEIGHBORS WORK TOGETHER TO SOLVE PROBLEMS
TALK TO EACH OTHER BEFORE GOING FURTHER IF POSSIBLE
TO BRING PEOPLE TOGETHER
WE CAN SEE THIS WORKING (TO SHOW EFFECTIVENESS)

METHOD CAN BE USED TO ADDRESS PROBLEMS
METHOD CAN BE USED PROACTIVELY TO ACHIEVE NEIGHBORHOOD GOALS
CAN BRING PEOPLE TOGETHER FOR COMMON GOALS
ALREADY IN USE IN PARCREST AND ELLIS HARBOUR
SIMILAR TO NEIGHBORHOOD WATCH BUT MORE ABOUT BRINGING NEIGHBORS
TOGETHER
IN SMALL CLOSE KNIT NEIGHBORHOODS THIS ALREADY HAPPENS
IMPROVES COMMUNICATION
EMPOWERS THE GROUP INSTEAD OF RELYING ON ONE PERSON ALONE
BY REACHING OUT TO EACH OTHER FOR HELP
THIS GIVES ONE AN OUTLINE ON HOW TO DEAL WITH THE PROBLEM
ENGAGING THE STAKEHOLDERS
LESS "POLICE" SERVICE INCREASES PROPERTY VALUES
IT MAY BRING NEIGHBORS TOGETHER
IT COULD BE SOLVED WITHIN A NEIGHBORHOOD
DISPUTE/RESOLUTION/PROBLEM SOLVING GROUP
VICTIM JUSTICE/OFFENDER MEDIATION WITHOUT CALLING POLICE