



Fall 2011 Meadows/Ridgewood Phase 1 Preliminary Accomplishments

On October 1, 2011, Love Where You Live partners and volunteers began community service projects in the Meadows/Ridgewood project area bounded by 18th Street, 14th Street, Jupiter Road, and Judy Drive. The next day, partners and volunteers returned to the neighborhood to host a block party in the Meadows Elementary parking lot to celebrate the revitalization efforts for the neighborhood! The preliminary results of the October 1 & 2 events are below.

Saturday, September 24 – Neighborhood Parade & Flyer Distribution

Teachers, staff, and kids from Forman Elementary, Meadows Elementary, and Armstrong Middle School, along with city staff, neighborhood police officers, city council, and residents paraded 1.5 miles through the neighborhood with LWYL signs, balloons, and candy to promote the October 1 & 2 events. During the parade, students from Collin College Serves went door-to-door to pass out block party reminder flyers.

- Estimated 71 participants
- Paraded 1.5 miles
- Distributed flyers to 676 households in the project area



Saturday, October 1 – Community Service Day

- 14 housing projects started – 5 are complete as of October 9th; 9 are ongoing
- Total landscape debris collected: 3.2 tons
- Total trash collected (separate from litter bags): 2.66 tons
- Total amount of litter collected: 50 bags = ½ ton
- Total number of storm drains marked – 1,025
- 80% of the neighborhood had premise identification painted on curbs (ongoing efforts to complete this project)

Sunday, October 2 – Block Party

- Approx. 125+ people attended the block party!
- 20 vendors: 16 booths and 4 vehicles (Solid Waste & Fire trucks, PISD Computer Mobile Bus, Blood Drive Bus).
- Carnival, bounce house, popcorn, cotton candy, & snow cones donated by Plano Bible Chapel
- Hot dogs & fixings donated by Chase Oaks Church

October 1 & 2, 2011 – Volunteer Estimates

- Total volunteers: 385
- Total volunteer hours: 1,983 hours worked
- Hours worked estimated value: \$35,694



October 1 & 2, 2011 – Project Participants & Supporters!

Educational Institutions

- PISD Administration
- Meadows Elementary
- Forman Elementary
- Armstrong Middle School
- Plano East Sr. High School (PESH)
- Plano ISD Council of PTAs
- Forman Elementary PTA
- Eastside Cares
- Collin College Phi Theta Kappa
- Collin College LULAC
- Collin College Serves
- Collin College Girls Basketball Team

Businesses

- Urban Crust
- Mi Bandera
- Tino's Too
- Papa John's
- Tom Thumb
- Calloway's Nursery
- Lowe's

Non-Profits

- SCC Habitat for Humanity

Faith Groups

- Central Baptist Church
- Chase Oaks Church
- Plano Bible Chapel
- Community Unitarian Universalist Church
- Woodcreek Church
- Calvary Chapel Help Ministry
- Northeast Bible Church

City Departments

- Plano Television Network (PTN)
- Environmental Waste
- Parks & Recreation
- Planning Department
- Volunteers in Plano (VIP)
- Property Standards
- Police Department
- Fire Department



Meadows/Ridgewood Community Outreach Accomplishments

Since July 21, Community Service Planners has facilitated an outreach process with neighborhood residents that included: an introduction to Love Where You Live, a presentation on social service agencies in Plano, a presentation from the Plano Police Department from the NPO and Crime Prevention Units, a presentation on Solid Waste and Recycling from Sustainability and Environmental Services, and a presentation from Property Standards. On September 15, city staff facilitated an assets inventory with residents to identify the assets that exist in their neighborhood.

On October 13, city staff will meet with the residents to develop a calendar of events to continue the social outreach efforts throughout 2012. Potential goals for the neighborhood include:

- Reactivating the Meadows Neighborhood Association
- Establishing additional crime watch groups
- Partnering with Calloway's Nursery to establish a yard of the month program
- Beautifying a neighborhood entryway and possibly install an entryway sign
- Hosting membership drives to enhance Meadow PTA membership
- Work to improve the Premise ID in alleyways
- Establish Community Gardens in backyards



October 1–Village Creek North & South Ongoing Accomplishments

While the Meadows/Ridgewood project got underway, the residents of the Village Creek Neighborhood Association, along with Collin Creek Church and an Eagle Scout group, began installing the premise identification plates in the alleyways in both the Village Creek North and South project areas (also known as Love Where You Live Fall 2010 and spring 2011 project areas). Congratulations to the Village Creek Neighborhood Association for its continuing Love Where You Live efforts!

