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Partners for Rogers Park Planning Process Kick-Off September 25, 2008: Community Stakeholders Needed

The Partners for Rogers Park, a coalition of organizations and residents who work collaboratively on community development issues, will begin a comprehensive community planning process in Rogers Park this month. The 12 month process will focus on maximizing resident input regarding quality of life issues including housing, education, safety and many others that are critical to Rogers Park. The information and action plans received from this planning process will be used to inform the work of the PRP coalition. There are many ways to get involved including volunteering to serve on the planning committee which will oversee the planning process over the next year; participating in focus groups of 8-10 residents to discuss chosen topics in depth or attending the larger community visioning events. This planning process must involve as many diverse groups of people and opinions as possible as PRP would like to explore a variety of aspirations, values and needs within the Rogers Park community. A kick off meeting will be held September 30th at 10:30am at Housing Opportunities for Women, located at 1607 W. Howard Street, 2nd Floor. Those who are interested in participating should contact Jaela Neal, PRP coordinator, at jneal@how-inc.org or at 773.465.5770. X 261.

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