

5. RIVIERA BEACH HEIGHTS MONTHLY REPORT



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Waterfront Community

## Riviera Beach Heights/CDC Update

### November 2012 Report

CONSENSUS

PLAN

IMPLEMENT

**Status Update:** The CDC concluded a successful Logo Contest. All entrants were introduced at the CRA Board Meeting on October 10<sup>th</sup>. In the Category for ages 5-9, the winners were Dreamer Umansor, Trelaya Peele, Honesty Thomas, and Jelani Walker. In the category for ages 10-15, the winners were Kymora Gaines, Alfonzo Facon, Zachery Jones, and David McKenney. All entrants received a certificate, photo, and \$10 cash. The winners received \$100, \$50 and \$25, respectively. We are working on several marketing ideas to incorporate the drawings. Hurricane Sandy cancelled most of the House X House activity for October. The CDC did support two house paintings with Paint Your Heart Out in the general CRA target area. The CDC has been advised that it has been selected to receive grants of \$10,000 from BB & T Bank and \$5,000 from Comerica Bank. Presentations will be made at the CRA Commission meeting on November 14<sup>th</sup>. Palm Beach County Department of Economic Sustainability has conditionally approved the CDC's CHDO certification, subject to receiving the final IRS 501 (c)(3) designation. Mayor Masters heartily endorsed a grant application for \$25,000 (cash and product) to ScottsMiracle-Gro and the US Conference of Mayors to support the Riviera Beach Heights Community Garden Project. This was a joint application from the City of Riviera Beach, the CRA and the CDC. The CDC sponsored two focus groups to help in developing the community garden plan.

## Next Steps

Nov

- House X House event on November 17, with volunteers from Phi Beta Sigma.
- Release RFP for Master Gardener and Carpenter for the Community Garden at 10<sup>th</sup> and "K".
- Execute contract for 1101 Avenue E rehabilitation.

Dec

- Select Master Gardener and Carpenter and develop Work Plan for implementation of the Community Garden.
- Announce the Quilting Community Project.
- Finalize Residential Incentive Program.

Jan

- Approval of Contract with Master Gardener and Carpenter.
- Finalize Business Incentive Program.
- Commence permit process for the Community Garden.
- Commence planning and design process for Old Dixie Corridor.
- Coordinate ribbon cutting for revitalized 1101 Avenue E Project.



### Recent Legislative Actions:

September 12, 2012: CRA Commission, Accepting the recommendation of staff to represent Riviera Beach City, CRA and CDC at the LivCom Awards in Al Ain in late November.

### Community Garden Focus Group



### CDC Logo Design Contest Awards Presentation



### Future Legislative Items:

November 2012: CRA Commission; Approval of the Agreement for Neighborhood Services with the RBCDC.

December 2012: CRA Commission; Approval of Agreement with Health Foods, Healthy Lives, Inc., and stabilization plan for Spanish Courts

January 2013: CRA Commission; Approval of Work Order No. 3 with Song + Associates for commencement of Riviera Beach Heights Implementation Items, Phase I construction and bid documents as well as color palette and community garden design.