

Twenty-Three Years and Going Strong – Police Neighborhood Resource Center (PNRC) Anniversary Celebrated

Greensboro Housing Authority (GHA) residents, staff and commissioners joined the Greensboro Police Department (GPD) on November 8, 2012, at the Claremont Courts Community Center to celebrate a program that has continued since 1989. Charlene Washington, a PNRC manager and Resident Council President, served as mistress of ceremony for the event and Deidre Sperling, GHA Property Manager, welcomed those attending the celebration.

Tina Akers Brown, Chief Executive Officer for GHA, and GPD Chief of Police Ken Miller were the key speakers. Ms. Brown thanked all who had the commitment and foresight 23 years ago to work together to establish an award-winning program that has brought together a strong and long-lasting partnership to reduce crime in Greensboro's public housing communities. Those who work to continue this partnership, including GPD PNRC Officers, PNRC staff, and GHA commissioners, residents and staff, were also recognized for their support and dedication to the 19 communities managed and operated by GHA.

PNRC offices are located in five of GHA's public housing communities including Hampton Homes, Smith Homes, Claremont Courts, Ray Warren Homes, and Hickory Trails. In each of these communities, PNRC staff take calls and reports from residents who are concerned about crime in their community, forward information to the assigned PNRC Officers, and offer referrals to residents for service they need. PNRC Officers use bike patrols, foot patrols, and resident contact and involvement to work cooperatively in implementing crime reduction strategies for all GHA communities. Gateway Plaza, a senior community, is also part of the program with GPD officers keeping close watch on the elderly residents.

Housing Managers from the five communities that house a PNRC office recognized the following PNRC officers and staff.

Claremont Courts

Eliza McClinton, Betty Lesane, Charlene Washington and Ernestine Surgeon – PNRC Staff
Officers W.D. Coble and M.A. Overman



CEO Tina Akers Brown and Police Chief Ken Miller were key speakers for the Nov. 8th event

Hampton Homes

Annie Driffin, Florine Wall and Janet Hicks – PNRC Staff
Officers S.W. Cox and C.E. Alston

Hickory Trails

Pamela Eleazer – PNRC Staff
Officer E.A. Early

Ray Warren Homes

Magail Mebane and Barbara McIver-Jones – PNRC Staff
Officers M.M. Ingram and E.A. Early

Smith Homes

Diane Brown, Gloria Rankin, Millerweese Stevenson and Ronald
McClendis – PNRC Staff
Officers B.A. Bowman and L.S. Garrison



PNRC staff and officers join Police Chief Ken Miller (far left) and CEO Tina Akers Brown (far right) in celebrating 23 years of commitment and cooperation.