

Press Release: Kwanzaa Park Neighbors New Vision Statement

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Kwanzaa Park Neighbors affirm a new vision statement. The Kwanzaa Park Neighbors voted on Thursday, August 7, 2014 to adopt a vision statement for the organization. The statement developed over the last few months with input from the group, revisions at recent meetings, and finally a vote to adopt the revised statement.

Kwanzaa Park is a neighborhood bordered by Dorr, Hawley, Campbell, and Brown Streets. In 2011, at a neighborhood meeting, the group adopted the name of Kwanzaa Park for the area. The vision will be the driving force for activities in the neighborhood and will lay out a direction for change. It highlights the welcoming climate, the park-like environment and the excitement of the new neighborhood designation.

The Vision Statement is:

Kwanzaa Park is a one-square mile neighborhood that provides hope and energy to the City of Toledo. It has a vibrant commercial district, with lighted streets, and green space that sustain the park atmosphere. It is known as a safe neighborhood in which all residents take pride in their homes and help others when they are in need.

The Kwanzaa Park Neighbors meet on the first Thursday of the month at 6:00 PM at Padua Center located at 1416 Nebraska Avenue. The Kwanzaa Park Neighbors meeting includes the Block Watch areas within its boundaries. Sherry Dunn, of Lucas County Children's Services, will be the speaker at the September 4, 2014 meeting. Updates from the Community Police Officers, implementation plans for the vision, food and fellowship are part of each meeting.



Lydia Everly paints the "Welcome to Kwanzaa Park" signs located on the corner of Nebraska and Junction Streets.