

SOUTHEAST FORT WAYNE TALL OAKS CNI: JOURNEY TO MONTH TWELVE



In December 2022, the Fort Wayne Housing Authority was awarded the coveted Choice Neighborhoods Planning Grant through the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development. The Planning Grant aims to engage the chosen community over 24 months to formulate a Transformation Plan. The Transformation Plan will become the guiding document for the revitalization of Tall Oaks Apartments public housing units while simultaneously directing the transformation of the surrounding neighborhood and positive outcomes for families.

The first twelve months of the planning process have been eventful! From the HUD site visit at the top of the year to the community Town Hall this fall, there have been so many mile-stones and events that we want to highlight. Please take a look below at our journey to "Creating Neighborhoods of Choice"!

December 2022

Planning Grant Awarded



May 2023

HUD Site Visit

On May 4 and 5, 2023, staff from the Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) conducted a site visit meeting in conjunction with the FY 2022 Choice Neighborhoods Planning Grant for the Southeast Fort Wayne Neighborhood. During the site visit, HUD staff met with the staff from Fort Wayne Housing Authority (FWHA) and key partners to discuss our Transformation Plan process and tour the targeted site and neighborhood.

June 2023

TOA Resident Needs Assessments (Ongoing)



August 2023

Early Action Activities

A part of the two-year Planning process is the early action activity. The early action activity must be a visible activity that showcases to the SEFW CNI community that Choice Neighborhoods is coming. Early action activities were Tall Oaks Apartment (TOA) resident-led. The TOA residents are concerned with pedestrian safety and access to fresh food. From these concerns came two Early Action Activities:

1. Pedestrian Safety Improvements - Solar-powered "Rectangular Rapid Flashing Beacons" (RRFBs) and sidewalk extensions.
2. Community Garden



September 2023

Focus Group Meetings



November 2023

Town Hall Visioning Session I

On November 8th, the Fort Wayne Housing Authority hosted the first visioning session for the SEFW CNI program. The event gave the SEFW community a better outlook of the Choice Neighborhood program and an opportunity to voice their opinion about what the SEFW CNI area needed and what their vision for their community is.

December 2023

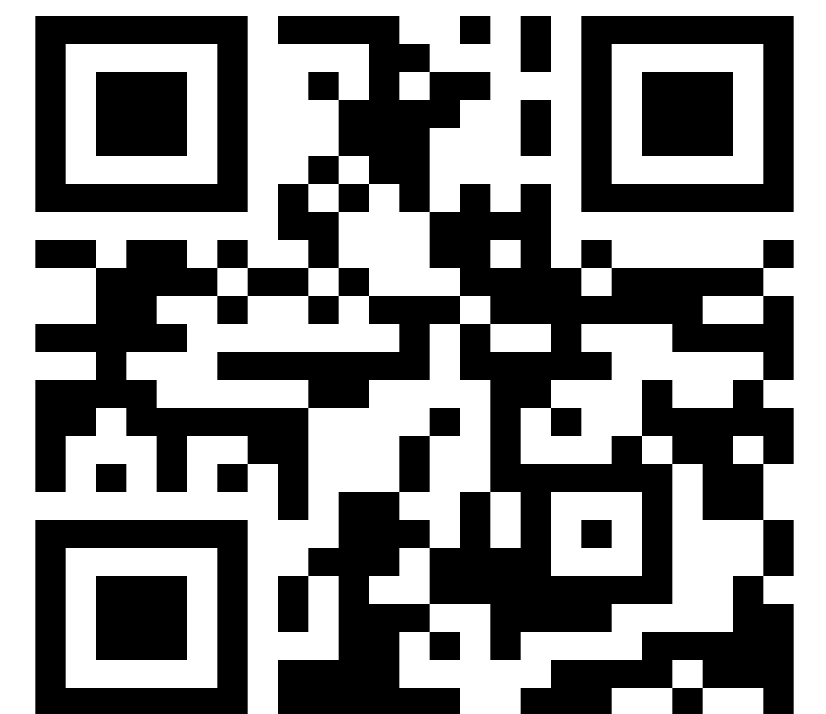
Transformation Plan Outline



- Community Survey
- Town Hall Visioning Session II
- Draft Transformation Plan
- Final Transformation Plan

WHAT'S NEXT IN 2024?

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LET'S REVITALIZE THE SEFW CNI NEIGHBORHOOD TOGETHER!

