

### **Community Prosecution Unit (CPU) unduplicated numbers**

SOC receives \$24,090 for its CPU activities and \$85,000 as pass through funds to the DA for an ADA. This makes for a total grant of \$109,090. SOC portion of \$24,090 is limited. Once benefits are subtracted (including medical, employer portion of taxes, paid days off, etc.), which total approximately \$6,023 or 25% of grant (typical employee expenses amount), there is left \$18,067 for salary, programs or services costs to the residents (printing, postage, etc.), and overhead costs (rent, utilities, etc.). SOC changed its policy in 2015 to ensure staff receive a minimum living wage of \$15 per hour.

Because of the limited resources, SOC CPU resources are augmented by NSP and other funds in order to try to better serve residents. SOC has a CPU Coordinator who is the lead staff in this program area, however, the full staff is cross-trained in CPU. Every staff member is bilingual (English/Spanish), all live on the Near South Side, most are lifelong or longtime residents, and three of four staff are home owners.

The goal is to abate 126 nuisance problems.

**1. How many community walks have been done in conjunction with Local Aldermen, MPD, and DPW?**

In order to retain an autonomous identity with community residents, SOC does not do public walks with MPD or DNS. SOC wants to ensure that there is not any confusion about who SOC represents or create a sense of mistrust. SOC does consistently collaborate on community events and meetings with all three institutions listed where we can explain its relationship and play a liaison role.

SOC's key outreach method is to build relationships with and between resident, and for those resident, in turn, to do reach their neighbors and networks. A key focus will be to build leadership in resident associations and their abilities to increase safety and reduce crime.

**2. How many community meetings have you done with MPD and have you done any community meetings other than the monthly crime and safety meetings?**

- On an ongoing monthly basis, SOC collaborates with and/or participates in:
  - a. MPD District 2 and District 6 crime and safety meetings (SOC promotes and participates)
  - b. MPD District 2 Target Team meeting (SOC provides meeting reminders, takes notes, and distributes minutes from meetings)
  - c. MPD Homicide Review (SOC participates when there are South Side incidents on agenda)
- SOC was the lead organization and coordinator of the community send-off celebration for outgoing MPD District 2 Captain Morales (SOC also secured 100% participation from the Near South Side resident associations and Business Improvement Districts)
- SOC participated in and was present for the community welcome celebration for incoming MPD District 2 Captain Wurth
- SOC participated in the Department of Justice hearing, was selected to be interviewed, completed the interview, and followed up with themes of resident concerns
- SOC coordinates the monthly team meeting and monthly task teams work sessions for the city-wide Sisters Diversion Program (diversion for women involved in street prostitution), which is has finalized the pilot phase in MPD District 3 (North Side) and is expanding efforts to MPD District 2 (South Side)
- SOC leads and coordinates the Monthly Forum for Immigrant and Undocumented Communities that has primarily focused on safety concerns including lack of driver's licenses.

- SOC leads the South 5<sup>th</sup> Place Initiative community organizing efforts (including ongoing resident group meetings and activities) and participates in a collaboration focused on reducing crime and blight. The collaboration has held several community meetings and collaborator meetings.
- SOC is a co-sponsor and participant in National Night Out
- SOC participated in MPD District 2 Community Open House

**3. Have you developed any new initiatives?**

A. Street Prostitution (see attached information sheet)

Beginning in 2015, SOC secured a two year strategic partnership with The Benedict Center to expand their Sisters Diversion Program on the South Side. This program is for women involved in street prostitution (for survival or by coercion). The issue of prostitution was one of two key MPD District 2 priorities at that time, as it had the highest arrests rates.

SOC coordinates the overall Sisters Diversion Program and leads the Near South Side community education and engagement. The program finalized the pilot phase in MPD District 3 (North Side) and has shown promising evidence-based results.

Half a million dollars in private funds have been secured for the South Side Center, which is scheduled to open by year's end. SOC has been in communication with both the City of Milwaukee and County of Milwaukee to match these funds to ensure that women have sufficient resources and opportunity to change their circumstances and that the community has adequate resources to respond to this issue.

The following are the program collaborators:

- The Benedict Center
- District Attorney's office
- The Medical College of Wisconsin
- MPD District 3
- MPD District 2
- Sisters Program South Collaborators
- Southside Organizing Committee (SOC)

B. Monthly Forums for Immigrant Community (see attached Fact Sheet)

SOC coordinates a Monthly Forum for the Immigrant and Undocumented Community as a response to the nation's stalled immigration reform. This is especially a critical need as it relates to the inability for this population to attain a driver's license due to state legislation that expired in recent years. There are an estimated 65,000 persons who were affected state-wide, a large portion of who live in Milwaukee.

SOC secured collaboration for the following public servants:

- Congresswoman Moore
- Senators Carpenter and Larson
- State Legislators Zamarripa and Zepnick
- County Supervisor Romo West
- County Executive Abele's office
- Alderman Perez
- School Board Director Joseph

SOC secured collaborations from the following organizations:

- ACLU
- Ascension Lutheran Church
- Council for the Spanish Speaking
- Labor Council for Latin American Advancement
- Milwaukee Mexican Consulate
- UMOS
- Voces de la Frontera

C. South 5<sup>th</sup> Place Initiative – Community Organizing

SOC leads the South 5<sup>th</sup> Place Initiative community organizing efforts and participates in a collaboration focused on reducing crime and blight. This was identified as one of the longest standing (more than 25 years), highest crime and blight strips on the Near South Side.

The following successes have been achieved by residents:

- Two vacant lot clean up including one being transformation into a resident pocket park with Community Improvement Project awarded funds and the other being annexed to a homeowner
- Residents planting Bloom and Groom plants and flowers in pocket park
- A community clean up
- Two community barbeque potlucks
- Residents participating in Southeastern Wisconsin Regional Planning Commission community input focus groups
- Residents volunteering at SOC district-wide events
- Ongoing meetings and resident leadership development
- Getting graffiti surveillance cameras installed

Collaborators include the following and ongoing meetings are held including a housing resource fair and several community meetings:

- Alderman Perez
- DA's office
- DNS
- Dept. of Public Works
- MPD District 2
- NIDC

D. Sex Offender Housing Ordinances

SOC leads and coordinates efforts to ensure residents are supported in their efforts to address concerns regarding the systems and laws related to this issue and coordinates a Near South Side collaboration on this topic.

SOC secured collaboration for the following public servants:

- State Legislators Zamarripa and Zepnick
- County Supervisor Romo West
- County Executive Abele's office
- Alderman Perez

- District Attorney's office and Sensitive Crimes
  - MPD
  - Department of Corrections
  - Milwaukee County Chief Judge Jeff Kremers
- SOC secured collaborations from the following organizations:
- Milwaukee Community Justice Council
  - Milwaukee Public Schools

**4. Describe your partnerships/collaboration with other CPU coordinators? How do you communicate to eliminate duplication of efforts in the community?**

- SOC meets with the DA and other MPD District 2 CPU collaborators annually to review community needs, examine the previous year's work, plan for the upcoming year, and negotiate roles and responsibilities. This results in a yearly Statement of Collaboration/Memorandum of Understanding.
- SOC attends the annual CPU conference/training.
- SOC meets monthly with the ADA to coordinate CPU activity
- SOC meets every other week with Safe & Sound MPD District 2 CPU Coordinator to coordinate CPU activity
- SOC's Executive Director meets approximately quarterly with MPD District 2 Captain and stays in consistent communication
- SOC's Executive Director meets as needed with personnel from DA's office on several initiatives and stays in constant communication
- SOC stays in communication and collaborates with the Milwaukee Community Justice Council on SOC's Sex Offender Housing Ordinances efforts as well as ongoing resident and law enforcement concerns

**5. Have you contributed to the removal of any drug houses in the past year?**

Year 2015 [to be verified] drug houses were abated last year.

Year 2016: one drug house has been abated to date this year.

**6. How much criminal activity and nuisance properties have you abated?**

Year 2015: A total of 162 total nuisance problems were abated, which is 129% of the original goal of 126 abatements.

Year 2016: A total of 39 total nuisance problems were abated the first quarter of the year, which is 31% of the original goal of 126 abatements and right on track to meet goal.

CDBG CEDC QUESTIONS – TRANSLATIONS  
---DRAFT--- Southside Organizing Committee (SOC) TRANSLATIONS

SOC receives \$25,000 for translations and this has remained the same amount as the previous year's, which was originally granted for six months of the year. Once benefits are subtracted (including medical, employer portion of taxes, paid days off, etc.), which total approximately \$6,250 or 25% of grant (typical employee expenses amount), there is left \$18,750 for salary, programs or services costs to the residents (printing, postage, etc.), and overhead costs (rent, utilities, etc.). SOC changed its policy in 2015 to ensure staff receive a minimum living wage of \$15 per hour.

Because of the limited resources, SOC NSP resources are augmented by other funds in order to try to better serve residents. SOC has a lead staff for this program area, however, all staff are cross-trained to serve the full combined district. Additionally, the Executive Director serves across all programs. Every staff member is bilingual (English/Spanish), all live on the Near South Side, most are lifelong or longtime residents, and three of four staff are home owners.

The goal is to serve 350 unduplicated residents. SOC provides bilingual services to residents in the following manners:

- Keeps 40 hours per week drop in office hours with onsite bilingual services (walk-in, phone, correspondence, email, and social media engagement)
- Door-to-door contacts
- Material distribution in person and via direct mail with SOC materials created in both languages
- Phone banks
- Host meetings and events interpreted
- Provide simultaneous interpretation (English/Spanish) at key City community engagement initiatives (as capacity allows)
- Participate in Spanish media opportunities include radio, TV, press releases, press conferences, etc.

SOC lends interpretation equipment, provides interpretation, and/or provides translations for resident associations and other organizations for fee. Interpretation equipment is borrowed for free or reduced fees to SOC sponsored or collaborating resident associations/groups who are low-revenue.

In 2015, a total of 396 unduplicated, primarily Spanish speaking residents were served across all programs (this is 113% of the original goal of 350). Bilingual (English/Spanish) interpretation services are provided through SOC's interaction with residents, at SOC meetings and events, and at a limited amount of critical City resident engagement meetings (for instance, Walker Square neighborhood strategic planning).



SOC receives \$45,000 for each NSP area. Once benefits are subtracted (including medical, employer portion of taxes, paid days off, etc.), which total approximately \$11,250 or 25% of grant (typical employee expenses amount), there is left \$33,750 for salary, programs or services costs to the residents (printing, postage, etc.), and overhead costs (rent, utilities, etc.). SOC changed its policy in 2015 to ensure staff receive a minimum living wage of \$15 per hour.

Because of the limited resources, SOC NSP resources are augmented by other funds in order to try to better serve residents. SOC has a designated Community Organizer for each NSP area, however, all staff are cross-trained to serve the full combined district. Additionally, the Executive Director serves as the Lead Community Organizer across all programs. Every staff member is bilingual (English/Spanish), all live on the Near South Side, most are lifelong or longtime residents, and three of four staff are home owners.

The goals are:

- Complete 720 door-to-door contacts (240 in each NSP)
- Establish and maintain 12 neighborhood stakeholder groups, which address safety (4 in each NSP)
- Organize 12 neighborhood cleans ups (4 in each NSP)
- Coordinate 24 issue-based community mtgs. or events (8 in each NSP)
- Serve 900 unduplicated residents (300 in each NSP)

**1. What are you doing to reach out to the people that do not have social media access to keeping them informed?**

- Keep 40 hours per week drop in office hours with onsite bilingual (English/Spanish) services (walk-in, phone, correspondence, email, and social media engagement)
- Door-to-door contacts
- Material distribution in person and via direct mail
- Phone banks
- Host meetings and events
- Participate in collaborator community meetings and events
- Partner with Neighborhood Groups/Associations
- Provide simultaneous interpretation (English/Spanish) at key City community engagement initiatives (as capacity allows)
- Participate in media opportunities include radio, TV, press releases, press conferences, etc.

**2. What was the Total Number of unduplicated residents involved in your last fiscal year organizing?**

In 2015:

NSP 15: 307 unduplicated (this is 102% of the original goal of 300)

NSP 16: 345 unduplicated (this is 138% of the original goal of 250)

NSP 17: 432 unduplicated (this is 144% of the original goal of 300)

Three NSPs unduplicated combined: 1,084 (this is 128% of the original goal of 850)

**3. In coordination with MPD, how many block clubs did you establish?**

Block clubs are incorporated into our support of neighborhood groups/associations. We have founded or co-founded a total of 3 groups and collaborate and/or support a total of 14)

**4. How many neighborhood watches/ neighborhood stakeholders groups have you established or participated in?**

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**5. What are some of the issue-Based community planning meetings and community events that you have you been a part of?**

This year 2016 to date SOC has participated in and/or collaborated on the following community meetings:

- City Act 176 training (completed new landlord-tenant law)
- City Graffiti removal unveiling of youth art work (attended)
- City Licenses Premises Pivot Program training (completed)
- County Hearing on Mitchell Park Domes (provided interpretation, promoted and participated)
- Cesar Chavez BID unveiling of Cesar Chavez Statue (attended)
- Department of Justice Hearing (attended and completed individual interview)
- Harbor District Planning Group (participated)
- Layton Boulevard West Neighbors (participated in TIN launch and Ice Cream Social)
- League of Women Voters New Majority Community Panel (presenter on Latinx voter education and engagement)
- Mayoral and County Executive candidates forum (collaborator and provider of interpretation)
- MPD District 2 Open House and community welcome for incoming Captain Wurth (collaborated)
- MPD District 6 Open House (collaborated)
- My Brother's Keeper/Fatherhood Initiative South Side Session (attended and provided interpretation)
- Pierce St. community meeting (participated)
- South 5<sup>th</sup> Place Initiative (collaborated on Housing Resource Fair)
- Urban Ecology Center Forum (participated)
- Wisconsin Leadership Development Project (collaborated to facilitate training)
- SOC supports the efforts of 14 neighborhood groups (see section 11 for details)

**6. Do you have or what is your relationship with the Faith based Community?**

- Archdiocese of Milwaukee Social Justice Ministry and Catholic Campaign for Human Development (SOC has a partnership with CCHD to provide leadership to resident association leaders)
- Ascension Lutheran Church (SOC has a partnership with AL including housing our headquarters in their nonprofit building, collaborating in their annual community service, collaborating on Monthly Forums for Immigrant and Undocumented Community, and our ongoing activities)
- Basilica of St. Josaphats (SOC has met with to explore collaboration and both organizations have attended each other's activities)
- Lao Buddhist Temple (SOC has provided intervention services to support their efforts to have unity among their different internal communities, to help them resolve nuisance order, to help them resolve building code violations, and to help them strengthen their knowledge about functioning as a nonprofit)
- Saint Andrews Lutheran church (SOC collaborates with SA to host South of the Tracks – Polonia Neighbors meetings)
- Saint Cyril (SOC has just launched a collaboration with SC to launch a new resident association)

**7. How many community walks have you done?**



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**8. Do you think you were successful as a community organizer, if so how and how do you measure that?**

Yes, all SOC's organizers were successful individually and collectively as a team. Success for SOC is measured by its ability to work with and for residents to ensure they have voice, vote, and collective vehicle for action on the issues that affect their quality of life. SOC met or exceeded all of its CDBG and other program goals in 2015.

**9. How many community meetings have you held?**

This year 2016 to date SOC has held 27 community meetings or events:

- SOC was the lead organization and coordinator of the 8<sup>th</sup> Aldermanic District Primary Forum
- SOC is the lead organization and coordinator of a Monthly Forum for Immigration and Undocumented Community since March (5)
- SOC was the lead organization and coordinator of the community send-off celebration for outgoing MPD District 2 Captain Morales (SOC also secured 100% participation from the Near South Side resident associations and Business Improvement Districts)
- SOC held an Open House for the community
- SOC hosted one community focus groups to provide input into the Southeastern Wisconsin Regional Planning Commission's 2050 plan.
- SOC held a Bloom & Groom (provided low cost plants and flowers to resident as part of the City Bloom & Groom) without funding for program
- SOC coordinates the Mitchell/Kozy Targeted Improvement Neighborhood (TIN) without funding for program
- SOC is piloting the NIDC/Greater Milwaukee Foundation Mitchell/Kozy Minor Home Exterior Repair matching funds without funding for program
- SOC founded or co-founded and maintains the following resident associations who hold monthly meetings
  - Kinnickinnic River Neighbors in Action (7 monthly meetings to date)
  - South of the tracks (7 monthly meetings to date)
  - South 5<sup>th</sup> Place Initiative Neighbors (3)

**10. Have you engaged any neighborhood groups and have formed any partnerships with them?**

NSP 15:

- Cesar Chavez Business Improvement District (SOC collaborates with this BID, which is on the border of two NSP areas)
- Clarke Square Initiative (SOC collaborates with this initiative)

- Historic Layton Boulevard Association (SOC approached to offer help to resurrect the group)
- Layton Boulevard West Neighbors (SOC collaborates with this group)

NSP 16:

- Cesar Chavez Business Improvement District (SOC collaborates with this BID, which is on the border of two NSP areas)
- Harbor District (SOC is a member of its planning group)
- Historic Mitchell Street Business Improvement District (SOC collaborates with this BID)
- South 5<sup>th</sup> Place Initiative Residents (SOC founded this resident association and continues to maintain it)
- Walker's Point Association (SOC supports the resident committee)
- Walker Square Neighborhood Association (SOC supports the resident committee)
- Walker Square Farmers' Market (SOC collaborates with this public market)

NSP 17:

- Kinnickinnic River Neighbors In Action (SOC co-founded this resident association and continues to maintain it)
- Lincoln Village Business Association (SOC met with leader interested in resurrecting)
- South of the Tracks – Polonia Neighbors (SOC founded this resident association and continues to maintain it)

Combined

SOC collaborates with a total of 14 Neighborhood Groups to date and is in the process of founding three new groups, one in each NSP area (pending funding). SOC lends interpretation equipment, provides interpretation, and/or provides translations for resident associations and other organizations for fee. Interpretation equipment is borrowed for free or reduced fees to SOC sponsored or collaborating resident associations/groups who are low-revenue.

**11. How many community clean ups have you held?**

In 2015,

NSP 15: 4 clean ups (this is 100% of the original goal)

NSP 16: 3 clean ups (this is 100% of the original goal)

NSP 17: 4 clean ups (this is 100% of the original goal)

Three NSPs clean ups combined: 11 (this is 100% of the original goal)