

Safety and Security

Community and Partner Feedback

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Strengths:

Great community gardens with healthy food. Restaurants as places of safety and community. Community policing on Cherokee has been successful and could be a best practice for the planning area. Community members care deeply about their neighborhoods and work tirelessly to make them better and safer.

Focus Area	Identified Issues	Suggested Activities	Partner Feedback
1. Crime	<ul style="list-style-type: none">● Violent crime (assaults)● Drug use● Drug dealing	<ul style="list-style-type: none">● Block Captains Program● Rehabilitate/clean up vacant lots● Signage (“crime free block” or “drug free block”)● Promote use of parks● Better lighting (hot spot lighting, porch lights, pedestrian lighting)● Trim trees	
2. Traffic and Walkability	<ul style="list-style-type: none">● Speeding● People do not stop at stop signs● One-way streets are confusing, dangerous when people drive down them incorrectly	<ul style="list-style-type: none">● Speed bumps● Cobblestone or brick walkways● Convert one-way streets● Light up stop signs and crosswalks● Roundabouts	
3. Theft and Burglary	<ul style="list-style-type: none">● Guns are not locked in cars● Cars getting stolen	<ul style="list-style-type: none">● Gun lock boxes● Bars for steering wheels	

4. Perceptions of Safety	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Gravois Park and Dutchtown have reputation for high crime 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Better lighting, pedestrian-scale ● Porch lights ● Trim trees ● Marketing ● Rehabilitate vacant lots and houses ● 	
5. Policing	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Distrust between community and police 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Substation in neighborhood ● Police officers should bike through neighborhoods 	
6. Values		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Engage youth 	