

Our Mission

The Bureau of Community Outreach strives to preserve and improve the physical, social and economic health of Norfolk's housing and neighborhoods by supporting neighborhood self-reliance and community-based problem solving; delivering neighborhood oriented services and facilitating public/private partnerships.



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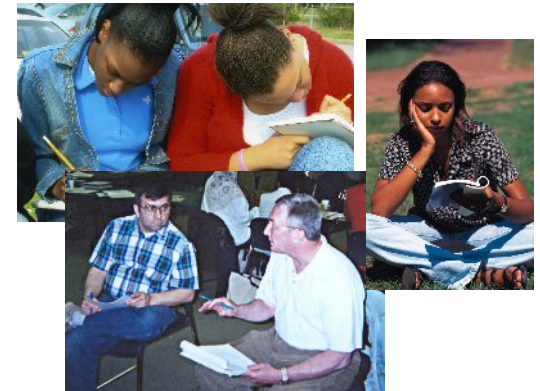
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Neighborhood University



Together building strong and vibrant
Norfolk Neighborhoods.



Neighborhood University

Neighborhood University is a community enrichment program dedicated to providing quality training to neighborhood leaders in Norfolk. Courses are intended to equip Norfolk's neighborhood leaders with the tools needed to make and keep our neighborhoods great places to live.

Neighborhood University courses are concentrated in three topic areas:



KNOW YOUR NEIGHBOR



Did you know that 75% of Americans don't know their neighbors?

And very few recognize them by name! Know Your Neighbor classes will offer you tools needed to unite your neighbors, and as a result, make your neighborhood more ready to tackle any neighborhood project including emergencies. Classes build on fundamentals of emergency preparedness, crime prevention and building a neighborhood organizing portfolio.

KNOW YOUR NEIGHBORHOOD

Know Your Neighborhood classes focus on ways for residents to build and maintain livable and united neighborhoods through neighborhood leadership and financial management. Classes focus on fundraising techniques, grant writing, and event planning such as a neighborhood clean-up.



KNOW YOUR NORFOLK

Do you know the difference between an environmental and nuisance code violation? Do you know what City phone number to call to report a broken street light or water main leak? Know Your Norfolk classes are designed to orient residents to available resources, government practices and policies. Class subjects include understanding city code and ordinances, budgeting process, using city services and much more.



NU Leadership and Education Academy

The Leadership and Education Academy is an advanced study program of the Neighborhood University targeted at civic league members and community organizers. The program trains participants on the functions of city government, services and programs and offers an intimate study environment. Classes will be taught by City officials and department staff including Regina V.K. Williams, City Manager.

Participants are asked to commit to attending all classes within the five-week program, and will be given a certificate of completion.

Registration priority is given to Norfolk residents. Classes are free. To register for a class go to: www.norfolk.gov/neighborhoods/NU.asp

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