



CULTURAL COMMUNITY WORKING TEAM

CHOICE NEIGHBORHOODS NEW ORLEANS

Let's Get to Work -Together!

The Choice Neighborhoods Initiative encourages communities and governments to work collaboratively to leverage HUD's investment towards further improvements in the community. In doing so, the goal of Choice Neighborhoods everywhere is to formulate an effective, inclusive mechanism for this collaboration in order to develop broad-based action plans that incorporate diverse concerns, existing plans and ideas, and strategies to increase resources.



Purpose:

The Cultural Community working team will address the needs, issues, and sustainability of culture in the community.

What can I expect the working teams to do?

Work together to build consensus and understanding across the footprint on sustaining traditions, heritage, and culture.

Work together with Iberville Working Team Stakeholders to identify funding opportunities, growing capacity for organizations and individuals, and celebrating and supporting heritage.

Develop strategies for economic development and invite in other key stakeholders to support the community with technical assistance, funding, and business development.

Programs Coming Soon

Across CNI:

The City and HANO will also support a place-based strategy for investment and revitalization of key cultural assets in the community such as the theater district, the African-American Museum, and other institutions. One key aspect of this strategy will include supporting opportunities for local residents, especially children and youth, to participate in arts and cultural programming within the neighborhood via Challenge Grants.

Challenge Grants:

HANO and the City of New Orleans set aside 5% of the CNI Grant Award—or approximately \$1.5 million—for Neighborhood Challenge Grants. The grants will be awarded on a competitive basis for efforts that contribute directly to infrastructure, retail, jobs and increasing the cultural prominence of the area. HANO is currently working with HUD to define eligible activities. We will need input from the community to further define the grants soon.

A survey will be available online and through BMOL soon.

For more information visit: www.cnineworleans.org

Call BMOL: 233-4351 or visit the Iberville Resource Center, Monday-Friday, 10am-3pm at 213 Marais Street