



The Beacon Newsletter

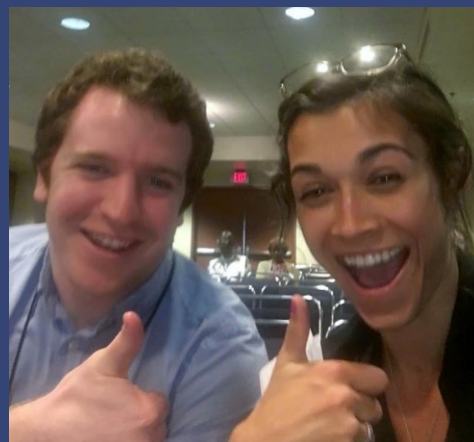
From NeighborWorks® Home Solutions

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Featured Partner: Julie Smith

Julie Smith is the Program Manager at ONE Omaha. ONE Omaha is a public-private initiative dedicated to actively facilitating the development of neighborhoods in the City of Omaha through communication, education and advocacy. NWS and ONE Omaha are currently working together on multiple projects including NUSA 2017. Stay tuned for details on future projects with ONE Omaha!

[Link to ONE Omaha's Website](#)



Ryan Morrissey and Julie Smith at NUSA 2016

NeighborWorks® Home Solutions Partners with Kountze Memorial Lutheran Church for LYSO

During the week of June 13th-17th, NWHS partnered with Kountze Memorial Lutheran Church for Lutheran Youth Serve Omaha (LYSO). LYSO is an annual event focused on worship and serving the community. This year, the LYSO group under the leadership of Apostle Vanessa Ward focused on neighborhood beautification for the Central Park Neighborhood.

[Link to Additional Pictures from LYSO](#)



Left to Right: Ryan Morrissey, NWHS; Katie Larson, Kountze Church; Apostle Vanessa Ward, NWHS Board Member.

Iowa Western Community College Housing Program

NeighborWorks® Home Solutions and Iowa Western Community College Construction Technology Program attended an introductory meeting with American National Bank's new Loan Officer, Todd Kruse. NWHS and IWCC Construction Program work in collaboration to build two homes per year for the Infill Program. This collaboration allows NWHS to provide two families each year the ability to purchase their first home with the help of Down Payment Assistance and the IWCC construction students are given an invaluable opportunity to construct two homes from the ground up. The Infill program is based on income qualification and the family must be first-time home buyers. For more information on the Infill program contact Cherie at (712) 256-6427 or cscott@nwhomesolutions.org

[Link to the IWCC Construction Technology Program](#)



Left to Right: Todd Cruz, American National Bank; Cherie Scott, NWHS; David Hazelwood, IWCC; Kerry Preble, NWHS Board Member

NeighborWorks® Home Solutions attends NUSA in Memphis, TN

NWHS had the wonderful privilege to travel down to Memphis with the great neighborhood leaders from Omaha & Council Bluffs for NUSA 2016. There were a lot of great neighborhoods recognized throughout the conference including many from Omaha & Council Bluffs. We are very excited that NUSA will be coming to Omaha/Council Bluffs in May 2017!

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Featured Partner: Ricardo Castro

NeighborWorks® Home Solutions (NWHS) attended the successful Grand Opening of a new office for Castro Realtors Group. NWHS would like to extend our congratulations to Ricardo and his team!

[Link to Ricardo Castro's Website](#)



Left to Right: Ross Pesek, Pesek Law Office; Reyna Moreno, First National Bank of Omaha; Ricardo Castro, Castro Realtors group; Lisa Tavizon, Title Corp.; Emiliano Lerda, Justice for Our Neighbors

Ken Lyons selected for Achieving Excellence Program, in collaboration with Harvard University

NeighborWorks America is proud to announce that Ken Lyons, President and CEO of NeighborWorks® Home Solutions is one of 50 leaders selected for the NeighborWorks Achieving Excellence Program, conducted at the John F. Kennedy School of Government at Harvard University. "I am deeply grateful and humbled by the opportunity to be one of 50 leaders selected for the NeighborWorks Achieving Excellence Program. This will be a great opportunity for NeighborWorks® Home Solutions (NWHS) and myself. I am looking forward to getting started and implementing the skills learned in the program to enhance the work of NWHS in Council Bluffs," said Ken Lyons.



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