

Overview of Little Village CARE

- Little Village C.A.R.E. is a group co-chaired by representatives from Beyond the Ball, Enlace Chicago and La Villita Church with core membership also from the Little Village Chamber of Commerce, New Life Church and Universidad Popular.
- The Little Village CARE Collaborative is advancing work from a five point plan put together by 20 member groups of the Violence Prevention Collaborative:
 - **Graffiti Removal & Community Beautification**
 - **Access to Public Spaces**
 - **Buildings & Landlords Accountability**
 - **Timely resource allocation (not just the summer)**
 - **Community & Police Engagement**

Collaborative Participants

Graffiti Removal & Community Beautification

- Rob Castaneda, Beyond the Ball
- Nilda Esparza, Little Village Chamber of Commerce
- Cesar Nunez, 22nd Ward superintendent
- Chris Dons
- Siri Greeley
- Oscar Pule
- Lisette Leonardo
- Dept. Streets & Sanitation

Access to Public Spaces

- Enlace Chicago
- Beyond the Ball
- La Villita Community Church
- New Life Centers
- YMCA Street Intervention
- CRECE
- Chicago Park District
- Chicago Public Schools

Collaborative Participants

Community & Police Engagement

- Enlace Chicago
- 10th District Police
- Violence Prevention Collaborative
 - Ceasefire
 - Telpochcalli Community Education Project
 - Universidad Popular

Buildings & Landlord Accountability

- Little Village Chamber of Commerce
 - Membership
- Special Service #25
- Department of Buildings
- Other VPC partners

Key Accomplishments

Milestones Achieved

- Leveraged 60k in local funding to support CARE initiatives
- Strategically reinvested 40 youth jobs to address CARE priorities
- Developed stronger partnership with Streets & Sanitation and 10th District police to address graffiti leading to more paint given to neighborhood groups for clean ups, improved response times and better reporting/tracking systems.

Upcoming activities/events

- Ongoing
 - Clean Streets Safe Streets
 - Monthly Update at VPC Meetings
- On our radar
 - Meetings with Department of Buildings
 - Meeting with 10th District Police
 - Negotiation with Chicago Public Schools on space governance