



BY NEIGHBORHOOD RESIDENTS

FOR NEIGHBORHOOD RESIDENTS AND ORGANIZATIONS

A NEIGHBORHOOD PROPERTY CONDITION SURVEY

WHAT: A survey of properties in our community – both lots and structures – that identifies their conditions: single, double, institutional... occupied or vacant; blighted, abandoned, under construction, good; market status (for sale or rent). Data will be used to make analyses and maps of the conditions in the neighborhood. CSED will create Individual reports for residents with a problem or a dream of owning the Lot Next Door, just come into the office for information. Data and maps from city and public agencies like Code Enforcement, NORA, Assessor's Office, and Road Home Option 1 and 2 properties can be integrated with our neighborhood survey data. A goggle docs account will provide access to analyses and maps.

WHY: Information is powerful for residents. Visual presentations on the current conditions in our neighborhood will make dramatic and accurate statements. Residents need this information to fight blight on their block, redevelop their own property or the abandoned property/lot next door, and to track what the city has done and is doing in our neighborhood. Neighborhood organizations and institutions can use this information to make informed strategic plans for their work and prepare quality funding proposals. The neighborhood needs this information to be an effective driving force in the recovery and sustainable redevelopment of the Lower Ninth Ward with those entities making decisions for the community. Reliable statistics will base neighborhood efforts and dealings with government agencies on facts, not hearsay.

WHERE: The Lower Ninth Ward – River to Bayou, Industrial Canal to Jackson Barracks

HOW: The Lower 9th Ward CSED, with technical assistance from the Beacon of Hope, will provide a one-hour training as well as survey collection materials for neighborhood residents and interested neighborhood organizations to collect property condition data for our neighborhood.

WHEN: Sign up to be a member of the survey team *NOW!* Training and survey conducted in August – data collection tentatively scheduled for the second and third weekend of August. Data processed in September. Public presentations on survey findings begin in October.

COMMITMENT REQUESTED: The survey will only take 1-2 hours of your time. It can be a walking survey or it can also be conducted from your car.

JOIN THE SURVEY TEAM TODAY. COMMIT TO SURVEYING YOUR BLOCK. HELP US TO SURVEY THE ENTIRE LOWER 9TH WARD. CONTACT THE LOWER 9TH WARD CSED OFFICE TODAY TO SAY COUNT ME IN. OR WRITE TO: sustainthenine@gmail.com