Neighborhood Initiatives and Environmental Services (NIES)



Data for Fiscal Year 2022-2023

July 2022 - May 2023



Neighborhood Meetings Supported - 111

Neighborhood meeting support includes mailer of meeting flyer to residents, facility reservation, schedule speaker for meeting agenda, notifications - Nextdoor, Constant Contact, Voiceshot, staff facilitation, and Spanish interpretation.



Neighborhood Clean Ups Scheduled - 128

NIES schedules roll off bins for neighborhood clean ups with Republic Services. Neighborhood leaders select a Saturday morning for their clean up and our office provides clean-up flyers and temporary No-Parking signs.



Neighborhood Events Supported - 10

Event support includes providing information of City applications required, certificate of insurance, event planning, marketing of event, and inquiring donations. We also provide technical support accessing funds from fiscal sponsor Charitable Ventures, from purchasing items for event, onboarding vendors, and budgeting. Some of the events supported included the Wilshire Square summer concert, Artesia Pilar Harvest Festival, Artesia Pilar movie night, and more.



Grants/Donation Support - 5

NIES provides support to neighborhoods in applying to grants or receiving donations. We provide technical support in managing and spending funds. NIES also submitted a federal grant for a Lead Technical Study to improve or develop new hazard assessment and control methods, with a focus on lead and other key residential health and safety hazards. Another grant worked on was the CDBG grant for cool pavement which got approved. Currently NIES is working on a SCAG grant for civic engagement, equity, and environmental justice.



Email Campaigns - 42

Email campaigns compiled by NIES staff include information on neighborhood meetings, events, and informational material to 2,851 contacts. Our contacts include residents, faith based organizations, school staff, non-profits, City staff, and more.



Environmental Justice Complaints Addressed - 11

NIES receives environmental justice complaints from the community and develops a plan to address concerns. We refer the complaint to the proper City department or agency. Complaints received include notice of violation inquiry for a facility, hazardous materials disaster plan, air emissions concerns, and noise pollution.



Trainings Provided - 4

This fiscal year NIES staff provided two South Coast Neighborhood Leaders trainings, Charitable Ventures Fiscal sponsorship training and a Special Events training.



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