



*Empowering community,
Moving Rainier Beach Forward*

PARTNERSHIP AGREEMENT

Outreach, Engagement & Partnership Initiators
3703 S. Edmonds Street, Seattle, WA 98118

Partnership Between
RBAC & _____

PURPOSE Recognizing and sharing resources to build stronger partnerships in Rainier Beach. Contributing to higher and culturally competent levels of outreach, engagement & efficacy. Rainier Beach has numerous organizations working on tasks, and increased collaboration with fellow groups doing similar work. There is a need for us to define our partnerships in Rainier Beach; supporting each other, creating and strengthening partnerships, and contributing to higher and culturally competent levels of outreach and engagement.

PLEDGE TO SUPPORT Rainier Beach Neighborhood Plan Priorities

In 2010, the neighborhood and the city began working together to update the Rainier Beach neighborhood plan. This plan update is a guide for the neighborhood and the City. It articulates the key priorities as well as a full spectrum of strategies so the neighborhood, City and the developers can all work together on investments and to realize transformative change that will bring Rainier Beach towards our shared neighborhood vision.

ACTION AREA STRATEGY RBAC uses action areas as the organizing principals for its work. Action areas provide the frame for all neighborhood activity. Discreet elements are assigned to action areas as referenced below. Action areas allow easy naming, easy plug in for residents and other stakeholders and inspire all to seek the best for Rainier Beach.

A Beautiful Safe Place (Arts and Public Safety) – Strengthening the neighborhood through beautification increases public activity by 72%, and once we are all in the neighborhood together, we have the opportunity to get to know each other. This action plan would look at areas of the neighborhood that need physical improvements like street lighting, crosswalk markings and public art. These efforts would in tandem with public safety initiatives

A Place for Everyone (Housing, Transportation, Economic Development) – Rainier Beach Residents, long-term and new, will have access to safe, healthy and affordable housing; access to transit; and a variety of vibrant commercial centers

Growing Food to Develop Healthy industry (Farms/Gardens, Environmental Justice) – Rainier Beach has unique opportunity to combine its urban farms and light industrial zone to become a hub of food and agricultural production

Lifelong Learning (Academics, Education Support/Advocacy, Family Life) – Rainier Beach is home to public and private educational institutions, with the capacity to roved formal and informal education to all 5,000 residents. Situated in the nations most divers zip code, Rainier Beach residents represent an amazing wealth of cultural experiences. By intentionally welcoming the community into the schools, both the schools and neighborhood can be uplifted.



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RBAC's COMMITMENT TO YOU

- ❖ Update you on RBAC work
- ❖ Send you weekly e-news alerts and a monthly RB Tickler
- ❖ Post events/initiatives on the RBAC Website
- ❖ Update you on Communities of Opportunity work in addition to opportunities for funding through this and other initiatives
- ❖ Connect you with like minded change agents to improve quality of life for Rainier Beach residents

AREAS FOR PARTNERSHIP

All areas of engagement are part of RBAC led programs and initiatives

Signature Events:

- RB Back2School Bash: Volunteer, Sponsor, Resource Table, Attendee
- RB Town Hall Meetings: Volunteer, Sponsor, Resource Table, Attendee, Presenter
- Corner Greeters: Volunteer, Sponsor, Resource/Theme Ideas, Attendee

RBAC Communications:

- Receive E-News Alert (Weekly)
- Receive RB Tickler (Monthly)
- Receive Meeting Notices

Become an Action Team Mate (Joining other Rainier Beach partners in stewarding parts of the Rainier Beach Neighborhood Plan):

- APE: Economic Development, Transportation, Housing
- ABSP: The Arts, Public Safety
- LLL: Academic Support, Education Supports, Education Advocacy, Family Life
- HFHI: Farms/Gardens, Environmental Justice Environmental ed Healthy Food ed

FreedomNet:

- Become a Citizen Journalist - Post to RB News Wire
- Organization carries RB News Wire on their Website
- Organization listed on RBAC website: Headlines from Neighborhood Blogs, Headlines from Community Partners

Neighborhood Development

- Resources Information Connections Mentoring RBAC Board Membership ATM Lead
- Volunteers Programs or program ideas

Constellation Member

- Resident Organization



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RBAC's Theory of Change: Comprehensive Neighborhood-wide Initiatives

Comprehensive Neighborhood-wide Initiative is a holistic approach to neighborhood change and a commitment to building “intangibles” such as community and social capital. Authority and responsibility for neighborhood transformation efforts rests with the stakeholders in a neighborhood or community rather than a government agency. The Action Areas provide easy entry points for residents and stakeholders to be strategically involved.

- ❖ Clear vision and mission well understood and shared by all stakeholders
- ❖ Goals and outcomes are whatever the neighborhood wants them to be
 - ❖ The mission is sustained and frequently revitalized
 - ❖ Leverage existing resources and programs
 - ❖ Strong leadership and staff
 - ❖ Strong board of governance
 - ❖ Responsive to neighborhood needs
 - ❖ Neighborhood participation
 - ❖ Collaboration
 - ❖ Financial planning and Management

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