Northside residents, businesses, community members and partners are all invited to join together to build a greater community for all.

New Sun Rising has led the One Northside Mini-Grant program, which allows residents to apply for \$1,000 mini-grants to support their community projects. In 2018, New Sun Rising distributed \$45,000 total in mini-grants which supported 45 community projects within the 5 pillars of One Northside.

# ioby has led the One Northside Matching Grant program,

which allows residents to crowdfund additional support for community projects. Since inception, 27 different Northside-based projects were funded through ioby's crowdfunding platform. In 2018, ioby helped Northside residents raise more than \$200,000 in support of their community based projects.

Mark your calendar for One Northside quarterly community meetings at CoLab<sup>18</sup> from 5:30 - 8PM:

- Tuesday May 21, 2019
- Tuesday August 20, 2019
- Tuesday November 12, 2019

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## **Additional questions?**

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Hundreds of organizations.

Eighteen neighborhoods.

# ONE NORTH SIDE

One Northside is a community-driven initiative that catalyzes and supports long-term, sustainable change in the Northside.

Begun in 2014, One Northside is a **20-year commitment** to invest in the lives and futures of Northside residents and businesses with particular emphasis on resourcing community members to lead from within.

**2018 PROGRESS REPORT** 

Together, thousands of Northside residents and community members, have developed a shared framework to guide the work within five key areas, or "pillars", with focus on shared goals that enhance the quality of life for all Northsiders.



### The Five Pillars

- Employment
- Education
- Place
- Safety
- Health



# ONE NORTH 2018 PROGRESS REPORT SIDE

# **Employment**

Access to opportunities with the ability to grow are key to a successful economic future. As part of One Northside, employers are providing youth and adults with the programs, jobs, and training needed to pursue well-paying careers. The work is also cultivating local and new businesses to attract and retain entrepreneurs and emerging leaders to create an economy of creative growth.

CoLab<sup>18</sup> opened in February of 2018. This is a space for residents to join together to problem solve, learn and dream.

As an innovative resource, CoLab<sup>18</sup> provides both the space and technology for residents to invest in the community. CoLab<sup>18</sup> hosts events such as job fairs, community collaborations, educational programing and neighborhood meetings. **It is free and open to the public.** 

- **9,016 people attended** programming at CoLab<sup>18</sup> across **554 activities**.
- 470 people attended
   One Northside career fairs.
- So far, 18 residents have had interviews through the recently launched Employment Institute with Auberle.

#### Education

To look to a better future, we invest in our children's present. With stronger professional training and increased Pre-K options, the goal is for all children to be ready for school by age 5. Joining together as a community, we invest in state-of-the-art resources to encourage and enhance learning both in and out of the classroom. So that, upon graduation day, our Northside children will be ready to embrace the path before them.

Perry Traditional Academy is undergoing a transformation led by students, teachers, residents, and A+ Schools.

The goal is to support a world class neighborhood high school, aligned with 21st century educational best practices and create a community of support for all children and families. The process has begun to identify action steps that will ensure Perry High School is a place that best serves all students and families.

- **285 middle schoolers** attended an 8th Grade Transition event aimed at preparing students for high school.
- Over 1,300 students per year are served by the Cultural Collaborative programs, totaling more than 4,300 students from 10 different schools since the program's inception.
- 292 new library cards were issued and over 750 books were donated to classrooms in partnership with the Carnegie Library.
- More than 200 families redeemed free memberships at the Children's Museum and over 190 families redeemed free memberships at the National Aviary.
- The One Northside Attendance Corps, which hires Northside parents and grandparents of PPS students, created a 51% decrease in chronic absences at Allegheny Traditional Academy and a 31% decrease at Manchester K-8.

#### Place

The Northside is our home. As a community, we proudly participate in building and maintaining a litter-free and abundantly green environment for all to share and we work to ensure that all of our residents have access to a quality home of their own. Growing together, we invite partners to join in creating resource hubs that foster ongoing collaboration and innovation.

Progress was made on the Northeast Fountain that will bring new life to the Allegheny Commons Park, with a salute to Northside's history.

- 2,725 feet of new or improved trail
   were created in Riverview Park by the
   Student Conservation Association's
   Community Crew, made of youth from
   neighborhoods like Marshall Shadeland
   and Brighton Heights, who spent more than
   300 collective hours on park work and
   environmental education in the Northside.
- 400+ residents attended the Friends of Riverview Park's first ever "RP Day", which raised more than \$60k for improvements.
- 2,000 recycling bins have been distributed to Northside residents and 369 tons
  of debris removed from illegal dump-sites
  thanks to the Zero Waste events hosted by
  Pennsylvania Resources Council.

#### Health

The health of a community depends on the wellness of its residents. By improving food access and providing education on nutrition and fitness, residents have a greater ability to maintain healthy lifestyles. Additionally, the coordination of health and human services simplifies access to care for household and personal health needs.

• 2,462 students at Northside schools received weekend food through the Backpack Program operated by the Community Food Bank and FOCUS Pittsburgh—totaling more than 91,500 bags of food!

Project Destiny, Highmark Health System & the Allegheny County Health Department were awarded a highly competitive national grant via the Build Health Challenge to develop a new approach to addressing resident health.

Funding was used to launch **Thrive**<sup>18</sup>, which provides direct resident-to-resident connections and support to Northside families and is currently being piloted in two Northside neighborhoods: Marshall Shadeland & Northview Heights.

- As part of Thrive<sup>18</sup> 50+ community organizations are participating in a resource provider network.
- 100 families surveyed for critical needs and being connected to provider network.
- 60+ families enrolled in on-going support.

# **Safety**

Focused on preventing crime, our police officers will become trusted community partners, working together with residents to build safer communities, open communication and accessible neighborhood hubs.

The Diversion Program gives young people who commit a non-violent, low-to-medium offense the opportunity to remain in the community while addressing their needs rather than being prosecuted, convicted, or incarcerated.

- **94% of participants** have not re-offended or had any further adverse court activity.
- **70% of referrals** received a formal in-take from Foundation of Hope and have been active in regular programming.

The Northview Heights Public Safety Center opened in fall of 2018. The center is home to a mini police station and community space designed to develop relationships between the police and residents.

This fully equipped station has six full time police officers and one Sergeant who are working with residents to keep Northview Heights safe and build positive relationships. The officers applied and were selected after being interviewed by a committee that included Northview Heights residents.

Hundreds of Northview Height residents
 participated in planning for the center and
 continue to work with officers to select
 programming and events.