



# NEIGHBORHOOD ACADEMY

Empowering Tulsans to make  
positive changes in their neighborhoods.





# INTRODUCTION



## What is Tulsa's Neighborhood Academy?

The City of Tulsa created Neighborhood Academy to serve the residents of Tulsa. It is a program to empower residents to help create more informed and engaged neighborhoods. It is designed to assist those neighborhoods in to be better equipped to address local issues and create a more vibrant and sustainable neighborhood.

## What are Neighborhood Associations?

### Neighborhood Associations (NA):

A neighborhood association is a group of people who advocate and organize activities for their neighborhood.

It is a group of residents that share a core group, collective identity in their community, and wish to work together to better their neighborhood.

They work together to implement collective goals to improve the overall state of their neighborhood.

### Neighborhood Association Goals:

- Foster relationships and build a sense of community among neighbors.
- Empower residents to advocate for their neighborhood's interests.
- Organize activities/events.
- Implement physical improvements.
- Solve neighborhood issues.
- Organize and communicate effectively with the city and neighborhoods.

### Distinguishing Between a Homeowners' Associations (HOA) and the Neighborhood Association (NA):

Both are legal entities that have structures and goals. Often, they share goals, resolution strategies, and passion for their community.

HOA's have mandatory participation and financial requirements. NA's are voluntary collaborative organization.

## How do I Get Organized?

Getting organized involves communicating with our fellow neighbors and identifying shared concerns, goals, and plans to improve the neighborhood.

## What are the Benefits?

**Familiarity:** Get to know, work with, and familiarize yourself with your community

**Livelihood:** Improve the quality of life and success of your community

**Safety:** Reduce property crime, violent crime, and homicide rates

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