2013 BEST NEIGHBORHOOD PROGRAM AWARD RECIPIENTS

The Board of Directors of Neighborhoods, USA (NUSA) annually recognizes outstanding programs implemented to improve neighborhoods and communities by a governmental entity, business, non-profit organization or corporation. The 2013 Best Neighborhood Program Award winners are:

**First Place**

City of Garland, Texas  
*Project: Garland Neighborhood Management Academy*

The academy equips community partners to take charge of their neighborhood experience and to participate in decision-making affecting their quality of life. Participants explore city services, leadership, organizing, and social capital concepts. GNMA participants move from residents to EMPOWERED residents, equipped to realize neighborhood vision and goals.

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**Second Place**

City of Green Bay, Wisconsin  
*Project: Green Bay Neighborhood Leadership Council*

The Green Bay Neighborhood Leadership Council supports the formation of Neighborhood Associations (37 to date), fosters leadership development, provides operating and competitive project grants, funds crime prevention activities, commissions public art, brings grass roots and civic leaders together monthly, and is replicable in your community!

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**Third Place**

City Prosecutor’s Office – Long Beach, California  
*Project: Gang Prevention Strategy*

In Long Beach, police and prosecutors have developed a three-part strategy that suppresses gang violence, creates community partnerships, and keeps at-risk kids in school. Combining new technology with a neighborhood-based approach, the Gang Prevention Strategy could become a model for prosecutors across the nation.

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