

Healthy Neighborhood Update

CRYSTAL PARK SPRING FLING

The Spring Fling planning committee consisting of Family Christian Center, members of NEAR Neighborhood Association, CBP and residents adopted a saying for the event, "A Family Fun Event for Our Neighborhood." The "our neighborhood" refers to the area known as Crystal Park in the NE quadrant of Canton, and "family fun" was definitely the focus. This saying was successfully carried out at the event in which over 200 youth and families had the opportunity to attend. The kids from the community played games, won prizes, provided entertainment, and most importantly had the opportunity to bring their families. Residents were given a chance to meet one another, laugh, build relationships and have fun. CBP had the privilege to connect with residents from one of our targeted areas to build trust and develop relationships for future CBP programs and tools targeted at resident growth. The Spring Fling planted a seed for prospective growth in the Crystal Park area as the planning committee moves forward in forthcoming community endeavors.

meet your neighbor



family dinner



games & prizes



entertainment



BACKGROUND

This event was truly a collaborative effort that began forming during the 2010 NEAR Christmas dinner. Sitting at the same table were Nate and Elizabeth Hand and the CBP Organizers. Throughout the evening CBP was able to share with the Hands' the Healthy Neighborhood Program. In turn, the Hands' shared with us that they were brought into the neighborhood by Family Christian Center (located at 1658 Superior Ave NE) to proactively reach out to the community.

They also shared that they were hoping to conduct a

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spring event for the residents of Crystal Park in April or May of 2011.

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