

Procedures for Accessing the NRP Community Oriented Public Safety Initiatives
Reserve Fund
(Approved by NRP Policy Board 1/26/04)

On August 18, 2003 the Minneapolis Neighborhood Revitalization Program (NRP) Policy Board passed a resolution proposed by Council President Paul Ostrow that dedicates \$1 million of NRP's revenues to "community oriented public safety activities".

In order to qualify for these funds, the following conditions must be satisfied:

1. The funds must be used for community oriented public safety initiatives that are over and above the level included in the approved City budget for public safety services.
2. The expenditure must be for community oriented public safety services that use police hours at straight time for activities such as: expansion of current levels of CCP/SAFE service, bike patrols, foot patrols, and community based and local precinct commander directed police presence.
3. The proposed strategy must be approved by the neighborhood organization Board of Directors and must be developed in consultation with the local precinct commander.
4. The request must be submitted by the neighborhood and the precinct to the NRP Policy Board for approval and specify:
 - a) the Phase II neighborhood action plan strategy for which the funds will be used;
 - b) how much is being requested;
 - c) the type of costs that will be covered;
 - d) the outcomes expected and the measures that will be used to assess results; and
 - e) the time frame for expending funds.

(Note: A neighborhood does not have to be in Phase II or eligible for Phase II to participate in this program)

5. If the neighborhood has an existing, approved NRP action plan strategy (either Phase I or Phase II) that is consistent with the proposed use of these reserve funds, the neighborhood organization board has the authority to approve the reserve fund request. Otherwise, the neighborhood must also approve the reserve fund request at a neighborhood-wide general attendance meeting, promoted through broad means (such as flyers, newspaper ads/articles, etc.).
6. The NRP Policy Board must approve the proposed plan before any expenditure occurs.

7. The neighborhood must act to include the community oriented public safety initiatives strategy being funded (or commit to including the planned activity) in the neighborhood's Phase II action plan.
8. NRP staff will develop draft criteria for accessing the Community Oriented Public Safety Fund for consideration by neighborhoods and for approval by Policy Board members at the February Policy Board meeting.
9. The NRP Policy Board Chair will establish a task force to review neighborhood proposals and provide funding recommendations to the Policy Board for adoption on or before the April Policy Board meeting.
10. Neighborhood proposals must be submitted by April 1, 2004 to be considered for funding through the Community Oriented Public Safety Initiatives Reserve Fund.

Collaborative plans among neighborhoods in a precinct are encouraged.

The funds reserved for this pool have been deducted from the funds available to neighborhoods in Phase II and were deducted before the individual neighborhood allocations were calculated. As a result, neighborhoods with approved requests will not have the amount that they receive from the Community Oriented Public Safety Initiatives Reserve Fund deducted from their neighborhood Phase II allocation.