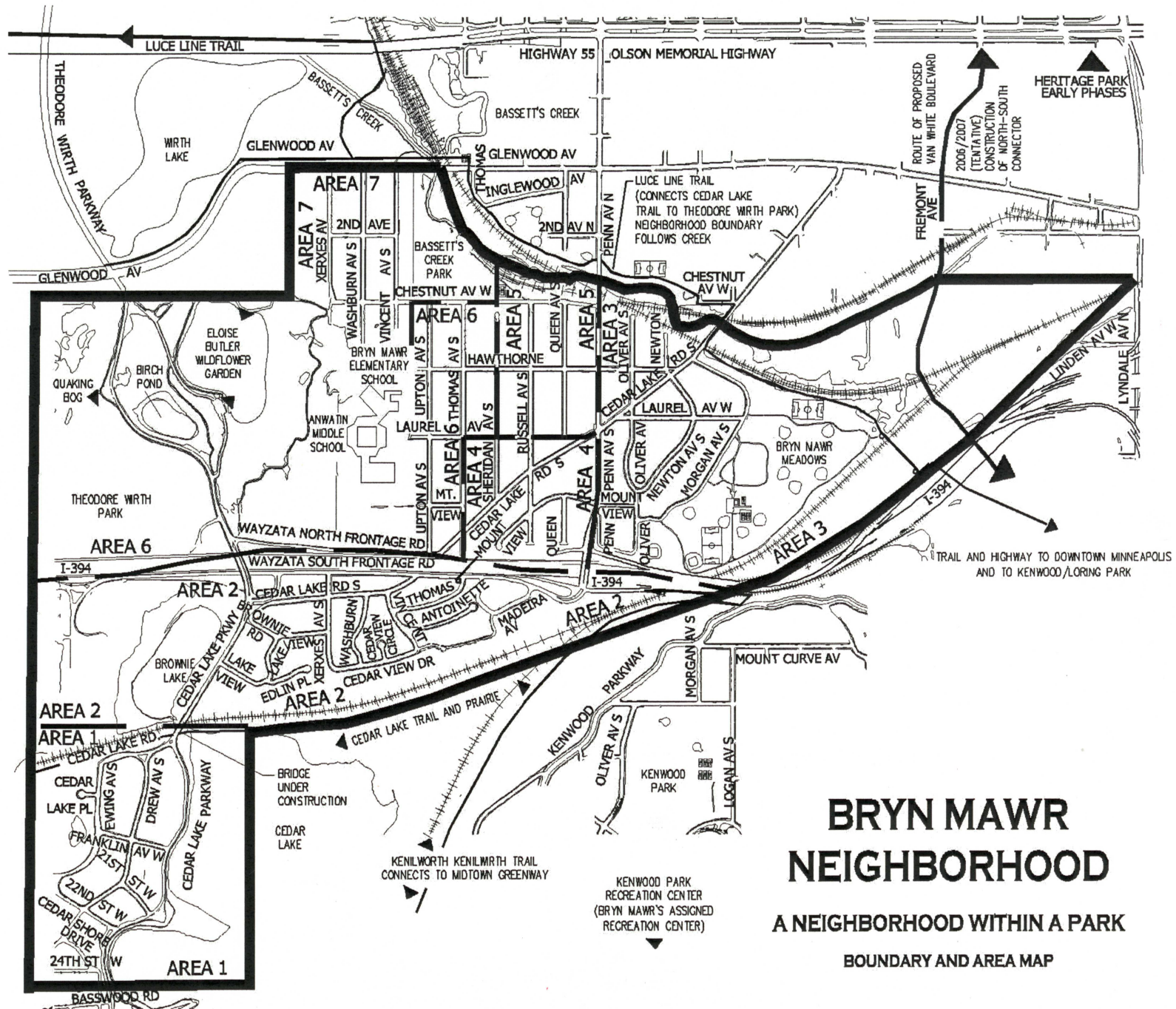


BRYN MAWR NEIGHBORHOOD: NEIGHBORHOOD REVITALIZATION PROGRAM -- PHASE 1 PROGRESS



Complete Phase I survey results, including written comments and tabulated results are posted at the Bryn Mawr [www.bmna.org](http://www.bmna.org) website. Probably the most important survey results related to a review of Bryn Mawr Neighborhood's Phase I Neighborhood Revitalization Program are two sets of ratings.

The first rating category "Effectiveness in positive impact on the neighborhood as a whole of the following changes" comes in response to a question asking respondents to rate the effectiveness in positive impact on the neighborhood as a whole, of the changes listed on this page. Results summarized on this page are an "average" response (5 for Strongly Agree to 1 for Strongly Disagree) for each question in order to assist us with absorbing a large amount of quantitative data. However, the "average" includes only those responders who answered the question "1-5". It's also important to look at the percentage of responders who checked "No opinion" or skipped the question. The sum of these percentages is included as well.

**EFFECTIVENESS OF PHASE I ACTION PLAN:**

**Effectiveness in positive impact on the neighborhood as a whole of the following changes:**

	<b>Rating</b>	<b>Total % "No opinion", No answer</b>
"Downtown" Bryn Mawr business improvements such as resurfacing parking lots, new canopies, windows, roofing, signage, benches, ornamental railings, newsbox enclosure, trees, flower pots, stone planters, and red-brick stamped concrete	4.4	12%
Penn Avenue Gateway and Cedar Lake Parkway landscaping including the addition of median planters, signage hedge, and trees; and highway clean-ups	4.4	12%
Bryn Mawr Neighborhood Business Association formation and sponsorship of special events such as the Festival of Garage Sales, Blooming Bryn Mawr Garden Tour and the Saturnalia Winter Festival	4.4	17%
Cedar Lake Parkway bridge design and construction	4.4	20%
Reduction of buckthorn on neighborhood parkland and residential property	4.2	18%
I-394 improvements – resurfacing and sound walls added on the north side of I-394 – made possible in part by studies, requests and demands made by BMNA	4.2	23%
Providing community support through our Bryn Mawr Coordinator (Vida Ditter and previously Margaret Anderson Kelliher) since 1996	4.1	32%
Luce Line Trail construction (formerly called Bassett's Creek trail), which connects Cedar Lake Trail at Bryn Mawr Meadows to Theodore Wirth Park	4.1	32%
Bassett's Creek Park restorations including repairs to the falls and path "blow out" erosion areas, and wildflower plantings at the creek near Fruen Mill	4.1	34%
Neighborhood directory (phone & address) that BMNA has produced three times	4.0	23%
Playground renovation at 24 <sup>th</sup> and Drew Avenue in Area 1	4.0	57%
Neighborhood signage – copper & aluminum sculptures of house and tree mounted on black signposts at neighborhood entries	3.8	16%
BMNA.org website, recently redesigned and reopened	3.8	56%
Neighborhood school improvements, particularly Bryn Mawr Elementary School community kitchen and Anwatin Middle School computer lab	3.5	50%
Housing improvement program (needs-test based grant and loan programs offered 1995 through 2000).	3.4	64%
Housing Improvement Fair and counseling provided in 1995	3.2	77%

**Effectiveness of BMNA in meeting goals of its Action Plan**

	<b>Rating</b>	<b>Total % “No opinion”, No answer</b>	The second rating category, “Effectiveness of BMNA in meeting goals of its Neighborhood Revitalization Action Plan” comes in response to a question asking respondents to rate the effectiveness of the Bryn Mawr Neighborhood Association in meeting the goals of its Action Plan. Results summarized on this page are an “average” response (5 for Strongly Agree to 1 for Strongly Disagree) for each question in order to assist us with absorbing a large amount of quantitative data. However, the “average” includes only those responders who answered the question “1-5”. It’s also important to look at the percentage of responders who checked “No opinion” or skipped the question. The sum of these percentages is included as well.
Provide and maintain a retail center that consists of shops serving Bryn Mawr neighbors with convenience goods and services in an area that is attractive and appealing and economically rewarding to the merchants	3.9	18%	
Present Bryn Mawr as a united neighborhood containing seven areas	3.8	20%	
Develop and enhance Bassett’s Creek Valley as a major city and neighborhood amenity	3.8	31%	
Facilitate needed improvements to the Bryn Mawr Meadows	3.7	38%	
Respond to the concerns for personal and community safety with a plan and program that reinforces neighbors watching out for each other, and with improved lighting around homes and on paths frequented by pedestrians	3.6	25%	
Facilitate needed improvements to the Cedar Lake and Brownie Lake parks area	3.6	39%	
Maintain and enhance the quality and diversity of the housing stock to retain and attract neighbors to Bryn Mawr	3.6	40%	
Establish education as the foundation for our future and define our neighborhood schools, Bryn Mawr Elementary and Anwatin Middle Schools, as the geographical and educational center of Bryn Mawr	3.5	37%	
Provide excellent multi-modal transportation access to and from the Bryn Mawr neighborhood, and facilities designed to ensure the safety, livability and vitality of the neighborhood	3.2	35%	

# UNITY/COMMUNITY/IDENTITY

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# RETAIL CENTER: DOWNTOWN BRYN MAWR

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16	4.1.1	Bassetts Creek - Change Designation	Change the designation of Bassetts Creek in City plans and agency programs from a drainage ditch to a creek.	At least partly as a result of NRP investments, Bassett's Creek is recognized in 2002 as one of Ten Twin Cities Treasures by the McKnight Foundation.			-	-	-	-		
16	4.1.2	Fruens Mill Walking Trail Improvements	Improve the condition of the walking trail west of Fruens Mill.	Contract with the Minneapolis Park Board to restore eroded shoreline along the south bank of the Glenwood Falls.	Park Board	\$85,000 plus \$300	-	-	-	-	\$45,000 plus \$900	BWSR - Board of Water and Soil Resources; EPA; Bryn Mawr Garden Club
17	4.1.3	Bassetts Creek - Water Quality	Improve the water quality of Bassetts Creek.	Contract with Minneapolis Park Board to enhance and restore wetland habitats adjacent to Bassetts Creek in the Bryn Mawr neighborhood.	Park Board	\$5,000.00	-	-	-	-	\$5,000	MN Dept. Of Natural Resources
				Master development/restoration plan completed by the Minnesota Chapter of the American Society of Landscape Architects to recognize their 100th Anniversary - 100 Parks for 100 Years - 2 parks were selected in each of 50 states								MN Chapter of American Society of Landscape Architects
17	4.1.4	Bassetts Creek - Design/Complete	Support the completion of the Bassetts Creek Bike Trail consistent with the final design that separates bike and pedestrian movements and maintains the natural environment of the creek and its adjoining vegetation.	Contract with the Park Board to construct a portion of the Bassett's Creek Trail in Bryn Mawr Meadows Park. This section of trail is part of a larger project that will connect the Luce Line trail to the Cedar Lake Trail. In order to reduce costs, it will be completed in conjunction with remaining portions of the Bassett's Creek Trail project, or the Wirth trail or Luce Line trail connections project.	Park Board	\$45,000 to \$52,500	-	\$47,500	\$5,000	-	\$200,000 to \$250,000 approx. Contact Tim Brown & Jennifer Ringold for more info.	Funding from MN State Legislature Bonding
17	4.1.5	Bassetts Creek - Improve Valley	Improve the Bassetts Creek Valley including the Fruen Mill walking trail, the soccer field in Harrison, parking for Bryn Mawr Meadows, and building a small gazebo.		Park Board	\$96,491		\$91,000	\$8,000	-		Soccer field improved with state funding
17	4.2.1	Support Friends of Bassett's Creek	Support the efforts of the Friends of Bassetts Creek organization as they identify projects of value to both Harrison and Bryn Mawr neighborhoods.	Support HNA in Bassett Creek Cleanup; and in their contract with MPRB for Luce Line/Bassett Creek Trail tree, shrub, and wildflower planting		-	-	-	-	-		
18	5.1.1	Bryn Mawr Meadows Improvements	Upgrade the restroom facilities in the Bryn Mawr Meadows park building.			\$16,000		\$4,000 \$3,500	\$8,500	-		
18	5.1.2	Bryn Mawr Meadows - Improve Sports Field	Improve the condition of the sports field in the Bryn Mawr Meadows.					-	-	-		
18	5.1.3	Bryn Mawr Meadows - Improve Tennis Court	Improve the Bryn Mawr Meadows tennis courts.	Enclose the tennis court with fencing and provide controlled entrance. Replace the tennis backboard once the fence work has been completed.	Park Board	\$4,000		-	-	-		
18	5.1.4	Bryn Mawr Meadows - Upgrade/Improve Path	Upgrade and improve the Bryn Mawr Meadows paths.					-	-	-		MPRB paved some walking paths and the parking lot in 2003
19	6.1.1	Playground - 24th and Drew	Replace playground equipment at the 24th and Drew Park.					-	-	-		MPRB completed this with CIP
19	6.1.2	Cedar Lake Trails	Upgrade and improve the Cedar Lake trails.					-	-	-		MPRB Capital Imp.
19	6.2.1	Brownie Lake Canoe Storage	Develop a canoe storage area at the south end of Brownie Lake.	MPRB denied request because of concerns related to safety, accessibility (slopes), erosion, parking, theft & graffiti, and costs; there were canoe rack vacancies in 2004. Buckthorn brush clearing is organized instead.	Park Board	\$3,500		-	-	-		

## SAFETY

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20	7.1.1	Organize Residents	Organize residents to respond to safety concerns.	Independent contractor - distribute crime alerts, organize safety meetings and organize block club leader training		\$2,500	—	\$2,500	—	—		
20	7.2.1	Alley Lighting	Provide motion detector lights to residents who want to improve alley lighting.				—	—	—	—		
20	7.2.2	Park Lighting	Identify and improve park lighting on pedestrian paths.				—	—	—	—		
20	7.2.3	Blue Phones	Investigate the feasibility and value of placing 911 blue lights in strategic Bryn Mawr park locations.				—	—	—	—		
20	7.3.1	Organize Block Clubs/Residents	Increase participation in neighborhood safety programs.				—	—	—	—		
21	7.4.1	Establish Bike Safety Program	Set up a public education program for bicycle safety and bicycle security through easier bicycle registration and retrieval of stolen bikes.	Support CCP/SAFE for Bike Fair at Bryn Mawr Meadows			—	—	—	—		
10	First Step 3.1.1.b	Implement Safety Strategies	Implement personal safety strategies which may include: street lighting, child safety, the McGruff House program, police substation, and security phones in the park areas.				—	—	—	—		

## UNITY PARKS

11	First Step 4.1.1.a	Bassetts Creek - Identify Matching Funds	Secure NRP and private donation funding for design work on Bassetts Creek Corridor Trail. Identify other sources of income and provide the means to work with the Harrison neighborhood to assure that Federal funds are not lost. Bryn Mawr's commitment of funds assumes a commitment of Federal funds.	Minneapolis Chapter of American Society of Landscape Architects (MASLA) provided master planning with MPRB and, together, identified additional funding sources			—	—	—	—	\$1,000 plus \$1,000	
9	First Step 10.1.1	"Protect" fundamentally sound neighborhoods such as Bryn Mawr	"Protect" fundamentally sound neighborhoods such as Bryn Mawr. The neighborhood and public staff participate in development of the Minneapolis City Plan and assure that Bryn Mawr receives a designation that assures maintenance of the high value and quality of its homes.	Bryn Mawr NRP Independent Contractor			—	—	—	—		

## SCHOOLS

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21	8.1.1	Bryn Mawr/Anwatin Schools - Communication	Maintain a good relationship and good communications with the neighborhood schools.				—	—	—	—		
21	8.1.2	Bryn Mawr Elementary School	Provide the Bryn Mawr Elementary School with kitchen equipment, media production equipment, and gym equipment.	Contract with the School Board to improve the structure and equipment of the Bryn Mawr Elementary Community School.	School Board	\$5,690.26	—	\$5,690	—	—		
21	8.1.3	Anwatin Middle School Computers	Provide Anwatin Middle School with computer equipment for its computer lab.	Contract with the School Board to provide up-to-date computer facilities to the Anwatin Middle School in the Bryn Mawr neighborhood.	School Board	\$33,060.79	—	\$33,060	—	—	\$40,000	School Board/ NRP Funds

TRAFFIC/TRANSPORTATION

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22	9.1.1	Neighborhood Traffic Plan	Create a neighborhood traffic plan through a committee with a special emphasis on the collector and arterial roads used by residents of Bryn Mawr and the I-394 and Penn Avenue intersection.	\$301.77 has been expended on making Burma-Shave style signs to test out on Penn Avenue during the summer of 2003, in conjunction with the bollard bumpout study conducted and funded by the county	Volunteers	\$5,000	-	-	\$4,698.23	-	-	Hennepin County conducted traffic study in 2003; added orange stripes to speed limit signs
22	9.2.1	Traffic Calming Plan	Develop and implement a traffic calming plan for Penn Avenue and the South Frontage Road.			\$12,750	-	-	\$12,750	-	-	
22	9.3.1	Bryn Mawr Meadows - Parking/Traffic	Develop alternative parking opportunities for Bryn Mawr Meadows and a traffic calming plan for streets accessing the Park, including Laurel Avenue.			-	-	-	-	-	-	
23	9.3.2	Identify Problem Streets/Intersections	Identify streets and intersections where speeding, ignoring of traffic signs, and other traffic infractions frequently occur. Police will use this identification to increase enforcement of existing laws.	Addition of two (2) stop signs at the intersection of Russell and Hawthorne Avenues		-	-	-	-	-	-	
23	9.3.3	Laurel Avenue Greenway Feasibility	Investigate and determine the feasibility of creating a greenway on Laurel Avenue that will use traffic calming techniques to discourage motor vehicle speeding.			-	-	-	-	-	-	
24	9.4.1	I-394 Communication Network	Develop an I-394 communication network.	HOT Lane/I-394 Committee; BMNA and other volunteers; hiring BIKO and Associates		\$5,000	-	\$5,000	-	-	-	
24	9.4.2	I-394: Review Plans/Monitor Progress	Monitor the proposed changes to the I-394 highway as they relate to noise and noise mitigating measures.	HOT Lane/I-394 Committee; BMNA and other volunteers; hiring BIKO and Associates		\$10,000	-	\$10,000	-	-	-	
24	9.4.3	I-394: 20 Year Plan	Work with public staff to develop a twenty-year plan to deal with the I-394 highway.	HOT Lane/I-394 Committee; BMNA and other volunteers; hiring BIKO and Associates		-	-	-	-	-	-	
				Contract with the Minneapolis Public Works Department to reduce the assessment for the Thorpe Bros. Block 5 alley paving.	Minneapolis Public Works Department	\$9,000.00					\$9,000	Residents' property tax assessments
TOTAL						\$713,000	\$47,000	\$713,511	\$45,963		\$400,000 to \$425,000	See above descriptions
TRANSITION/PLANNING	Prior to NRP Plan; Not a Plan Item	Transition Funds	Prior to completion of its Phase I Plan, BMNA proposed to use \$179,000 in NRP Transition Funds toward the purchase of the entire wetlands and woods Ewing Avenue site (west of Ewing Avenue to City of Minneapolis Property line between Cedar Lake Road and 22nd Street) instead of the land being developed as housing	The City of Minneapolis, through its Public Works Department, made decision to allocate \$167,000 in transition funds through a settlement agreement for purchase of only the wetland portion of the proposed housing site.		\$167,000						
		Planning Funds	Prior to completion of its Phase I Plan, neighborhoods were given planning money	Bryn Mawr used \$21,431 in planning and developing its Phase I Comprehensive Plan/Neighborhood Action Plan		\$21,431						

TRANSITION/PLANNING