HISTORY

The NORTHWEST COMMUNITY ORGAN-IZATION gained its original impetus in April, 1968 when a number of civic groups united to resolve the problem of resegregation of Northwest Detroit. NCO has already managed to secure the enthusiastic participation of residents within the target area (Schoolcraft to Eight Mile and Wyoming to Southfield). The organization has received favorable publicity in the press, on television and on radio. This positive response of groups within and beyond our area to the objectives and programs of NCO is a good indication that NCO is on the right track.

As stated in its proposed constitution, the purpose of NCO is to make Northwest Detroit 'a model, viable, integrated community' by uniting the efforts of community councils, associations, churches and block clubs. It's function is to determine priority issues of the community and to develop action programs to resolve them.



PROGRAMS

ACCESS

The ACCESS Committee is formed to seek the cooperation of the real estate industry in preventing the resegregation of Northwest Detroit. Its three most immediate goals are:

- 1. To have brokers stop encouraging white home owners to leave Northwest Detroit
- 2. To relieve the Negro demand for housing in Northwest Detroit by opening up the white suburbs
- 3. To attract white families to buy in Northwest Detroit

CIVILIAN RADIO PATROL

Local residents have expressed their concern for better law enforcement. The NCO Law Enforcement Committee has developed a Civilian Radio Patrol as one means by which to improve law enforcement and will continue to explore other means

LAND USES AND ZONING

The zoning laws of our city must be improved and rigidly enforced if we are to prevent neighborhood deterioration. NCO has formed a committee which is heavily involved in the current conflict surrounding the proposed new zoning ordinance and is attempting to represent residents whenever a zoning change is considered by the Common Council

BLOCK CLUBS

The block club is a basic organizational unit and the NCO Block Club Committee is attempting to coordinate the efforts of existing block clubs and promote the formation of block clubs throughout Northwest Detroit



WHAT NEXT?

BUSINESS

NCO projects are being developed to create a two-way program concerning businessmen:

- 1. To enlist businessmen's support of their local residential community
- 2. To promote the goods and services of participating merchants within each locality

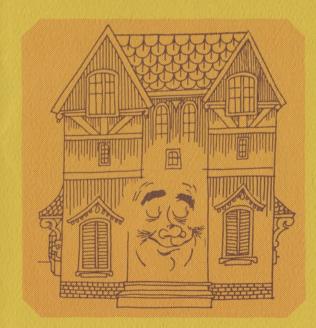
EDUCATION

NCO intends to develop specific programs to maintain and improve the quality of education in our schools

YOUTH

NCO plans to develop recreation programs and to provide more and better facilities with increased supervision

NCO recognizes the need for employment opportunities for youth. A teen adult career alliance would help our young people acquire information on job opportunities, get some training or exposure to different occupations, and experience through working



APPLICATION FOR MEMBERSHIP IN



Name of group
Address
Phone Zip Zip
officers office address phone
NAMES OF DELEGATES (2) TO NCO
Purpose of group:

MEMBERSHIP & WHAT IT MEANS

WHY BE A MEMBER?

Because YOU can help build your Northwest Detroit community through NCO by sharing with others your ideas and talents

Because NCO can help you to get more effective action on what needs to be done in the community

- 1. Working together we have power
- 2. Working together we have broader awareness of community resources and we coordinate efforts to improve our community

All supporting members have an active voice in NCO policy

Member groups are expected to send two delegates to periodic meetings where NCO committees report on current activities. The delegates' function is to keep their own member groups posted and to participate in programs pertinent to group concerns

Member groups may also recommend one or more of their membership to participate on the NCO steering committee which solicits new membership and funds, and shapes the policy of the organization

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