

# **Columbia Council of Neighborhoods**

## **2024-1/1/2027 Strategic Action Plan**

### **Mission Statement**

**The Mission of CCN is to engage all neighborhoods to be community builders, leaders and advocates.**

### **Statement of Purpose**

**CCN is committed to preserving and promoting the integrity of Columbia's neighborhoods by serving as a resource network and communications channel for elected leaders of annually certified neighborhood associations.**

**CCN's intention is to:**

- Support and educate leaders in best practices for community development.**
- Foster a sense of an engaged community assisting each other by providing a forum for legitimate concerns and visions.**
- Provide a thoughtful communication channel between neighborhoods, elected/appointed officials and units of local government.**

**Goal One: City of Columbia neighborhoods will be connected with each other, connected with CCN, and engaged in CCN activities.**

Objectives

*Objective One: Neighborhood association enrollment will increase by 10 each year.*

*Objective Two: Participation in CCN meetings and activities will double each year.*

*Objective Three: All neighborhoods will receive support from CNN to strengthen the individual organizations.*

*Objective Four: Strengthen internal communication within CCN*

**Goal Two: CCN and individual neighborhood associations will have the financial resources needed for special activities and communication within associations.**

Objective

*Objective One: Develop an annual budget outlining revenue, expenses, and deliverables from the expenditures.*

*Objective Two: Secure annual funding from Richland County Council to support neighborhood associations.*

*Objective Three: Explore viability of annual awards event and recommend other revenue generating events to recognize neighborhood excellence.”*

*Objective Four: Solicit grant funds from federal resources designed to support organizations such as CCN.*

**For : CCN and its member associations will be respected partners with the leaders of Columbia City Government, Richland County Government, and related organizations.**

Objectives

*Objective One: Ensure neighborhoods are aware of Columbia City Council, Richland County Council and Midlands Council of Governments discussions and initiatives*

*Objective Two: Strengthen relationship with both members of Columbia City Council and Richland County Council*