

2019

ANNUAL REPORT



MEET THE SNG TEAM

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The **Seattle Neighborhood Group (SNG)** educates, organizes and collaborates with residents, businesses, government entities and other organizations to create safe communities through equitable engagement, with a focus on underserved populations.



"It has been a delight to work with SNG over the past two years. We know that SNG staff care about our project and the community we serve - and as a new initiative, we couldn't think of a better organization to work with as a fiscal sponsor."

*Elizabeth Kennedy,
Seattle Housing Authority
Building Our Bridge Project*



Our place-based work at Seattle Neighborhood Group was strong and vibrant in 2019, focusing on 17 neighborhoods all over the city. This work was strongly grounded in solving problems using specific prevention tools and education, and by bringing community together on site to work on these challenges.

HOTSPOT ORGANIZING



There are 5 large apartment buildings on our project site near Roxhill Park with hundreds of Seniors, families, and people from immigrant and refugee communities that rarely interacted with one another, despite living across the street. We learned that many residents wanted the opportunity to meet their neighbors but nothing had been organized in the past. SNG formed a committee with representatives from each building, wrote a grant and supported the group to plan their first Neighborhood Night Out. It turned into an epic celebration with live music, games, art, delicious food, and resource tables.

RAINIER BEACH: A BEAUTIFUL SAFE PLACE FOR YOUTH INITIATIVE (ABSPY)

Since 2013, SNG has provided coordination support for ABSPY, a community-led, place-based initiative that uses evidence-informed, nonarrest interventions to address the place-based causes of youth violence in five hotspots where violence has been highly concentrated in the Rainier Beach neighborhood. Highlights of 2019 include the completion of 4 storefront facade projects, the first annual Grill-Off at Be'er Sheva Park, 4 community clean-ups, and securing ongoing funding through the Seattle Department of Neighborhoods.

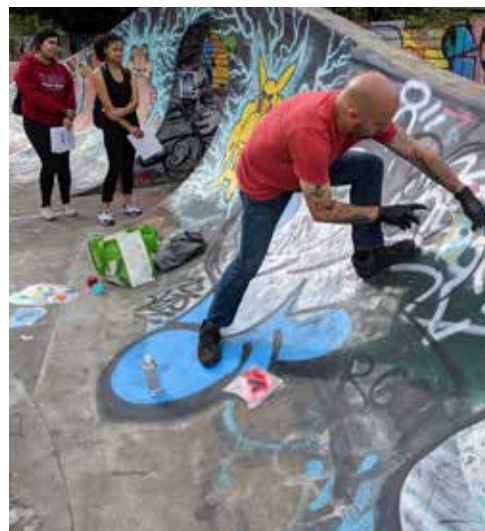


CPTED CRIME PREVENTION THROUGH ENVIRONMENTAL DESIGN

We use CPTED to meet the needs of those in our communities who are often impacted by design choices in negative ways. We anchor our CPTED recommendations in dialogue with the community in place, making CPTED a robust way for us to bring our expertise at solving safety challenges into line with our work centering community needs. In 2019, we produced in-depth CPTED assessments for five sites.

PARTNERING WITH SOUTH PARK

South Park community members approached SNG with the idea of creating a mural art training project as one strategy to engage local youth in neighborhood beautification over the summer months. We formed a partnership between South Park Arts and Urban ArtWorks, wrote a grant to Seattle's Office of Arts and Culture, hired a teaching artist, developed a curriculum, and recruited youth participants. The group met each week for 2 months as they learned painting techniques, toured public art, negotiated the mural design with the owner of Big Top Curiosity Shop, and created a very funky work of art. We're looking forward to completing another iteration of the South Park Youth Mural Project with a new group of teens at a different business in the neighborhood during Summer 2020.



IMPACT! SAFE SCHOOLS



IMPACT! Safe Schools had an amazing 7th year! Students explored mental health and suicide prevention over a series of workshops led by local leaders, and heard from retired Seattle Seahawk Doug Baldwin. 17 schools attended this year, including schools from Vashon Island and Federal Way, with an attendance of almost double from last year! This year, we were also able to bring on our first two student leaders, who helped shaped the curriculum and planning for the conference. We couldn't have done it without them!

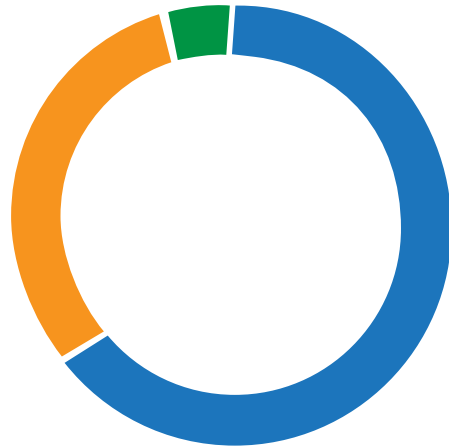
EAST AFRICAN COMMUNITY OUTREACH & CRIME PREVENTION

In 2019, our partnerships with Horn of Africa Services, Sound Generations, Associated Recreation Council, Yesler Community Center, Tilth Alliance, and City of Seattle allowed us expand services by 20 percent. Michael continues to lead programming at the Rainier Beach Urban Farm & Wetlands every Friday. The expanded senior program is enjoying the brand new kitchen at the farm and are participating in nutrition classes, Farm to Table cooking classes, and the Good Food Bag program.

FINANCIALS

Revenue =

\$1,335,495.72

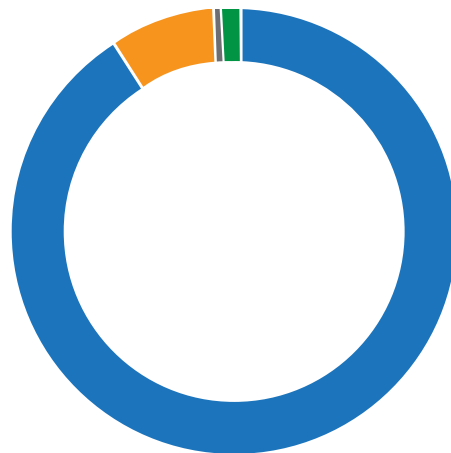


- Contracts & Grants
- Community Partner Projects
- Fees & Product Sales
- Contributions, Investments & Misc

Contracts & Grants	\$914,470.14
Community Partner Projects	\$361,489.00
Fees and Product Sales	\$2,396.69
Contributions, Investments & Misc	\$57,139.89

Expense =

\$1,049,358.09



- Crime Prevention & Community Building
- Community Partner Projects
- Crime Prevention Products, Fundraising & Misc.
- Intervention Projects

Crime Prevention & Community Building	\$958,889.55
Community Partner Projects	\$73,204.82
Crime Prevention Products, Fundraising & Misc.	\$4,034.64
Intervention Projects	\$13,229.08



A Letter from Linda

For the last four of my ten years with Seattle Neighborhood Group, I've had the privilege of being executive director for our now 32 year-old organization. Unique in its' mission in the greater King County area, and originally founded in 1988 by visionary, Kay Godefroy, we work with individuals, community leaders, organizations, and government agencies to make our neighborhoods safer for everyone - particularly for at-risk communities, youth, seniors and immigrant and refugee populations. Our focus is to share with community members the skills and knowledge necessary to live and thrive in a safe environment.

We've learned that there's more to a community than just wanting to be "safe." We know that every community has their own unique soul that inspires residents and businesses to strive together to create an opportunity for all to flourish and overcome obstacles.

It is this soul and resiliency of communities in which we work, and the pride people have of their respective community that continually motivates and inspires me and the SNG team. It is a force that keeps hope alive in our hearts when conflict or challenging situations occur. I am confident in the knowledge that this shared community soul, pride and resiliency will help guide the dedicated, hard-working SNG team as we grow and change to meet the needs of our communities in these dynamic times.

In Community,
Linda Spain,
Executive Director

