



January 9, 2012

Mr. Jeffrey Jones
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Next Detroit Neighborhood Initiative
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RE: Support Letter

Dear Jeff:

Without hesitation I am writing this letter of support commending you for all the fine work you do for the Central Detroit / North End community. You are a great team player having been able to pull many people together in the community to work together to make our neighborhood a better place to live. We appreciate the fine job you have done improving and beautifying the East Grand Boulevard corridor, and were pleased to collaborate with you when you brought the trash recepticals to the North End community. People really used them! I know that the men you hired to service those containers were most appreciative of the job and were humored on more than one occasion when community members already emptied the trash containers for them. That's a sure sign that the neighborhood is changing and taking more ownership for the condition of where we live.

The Clean Neighborhoods Program and the Clean Team have done a great job on sprucing up the major commercial corridors of Woodward, Oakland and East Grand Boulevard. I saw them work firsthand. I saw the before and after, and they were hardworkers who did a fantastic job. Thanks for making that happen.

Central Detroit Christian CDC heartily recommends that Next Detroit Neighborhood Initiative receive funding and support for their fine endeavors. Their work is not only valuable, it's needed and done with excellence.

Best,

Lisa E. Johanon
Executive Director