

# **NEHHPA NEIGHBORHOOD RESIDENT SURVEY**

*(Be sure to introduce yourself and smile. Ask if they are willing to take a few brief moments to answer a quick survey for the neighborhood association. If this is not a good time, find out when would be. We don't want to come across pushy. The association is here to serve its neighborhood.)*

**How long have you lived in this neighborhood? \_\_\_\_\_ years**

**Why did you choose to move here?**

**Did you know that this neighborhood has been designated a historical neighborhood by the city, state and national governments? \_\_\_\_\_ Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No**

*(Read mission statement) "The mission statement of the North End Huntington Heights Preservation Association is to preserve the historic residential character of North End Huntington Heights through advocacy, communication, and education."*

**Is this important to you as a resident of this neighborhood? \_\_\_\_\_ Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No**

**Did you know we have a neighborhood association? \_\_\_\_\_ Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No**

**Are you aware of what the association has accomplished for the neighborhood?**

*(Have a list ready and highlight some of the items:)*

- *Establishment of the neighborhood as a National and State historic district*
- *Modification of zoning from multi-family to single family*
- *Establishment of a park at convergence of Huntington and Warwick Avenues (formerly a gas station)*
- *Visibility to the city and region as Newport News' oldest existing neighborhood through homes tours*
- *Establishment of neighborhood as city historic district and establishment of an Architectural Review Board*
- *Christmas trees along Huntington Avenue*
- *The distinctive Clock in the park*
- *Demolition of the abandoned Riverside hospital on 50th Street*
- *Recognition of the neighborhood by the city and the shipyard*

**Are these types of issues important to you as a resident here? \_\_\_\_\_ Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No**

**Is there anything you would like to see the association accomplish or do for you as a resident?**

**Do you know that this neighborhood has an ARB (Architectural Review Board)?**

**\_\_\_\_\_ Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No**

**Do you know what their function is?**

**The neighborhood association conducts a yard sale annually. Is this something you would like to participate in the future? \_\_\_\_\_ Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No**

**We want to plan a neighborhood picnic. Would you like to see more social events for the neighborhood? \_\_\_\_\_ Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No**

**We've had homes tours in the past to showcase our special neighborhood. Would you like to see more of these types of activities and if so, how could you help with this effort?**

**Are there any safety, traffic, code, crime issues in the neighborhood that you feel need to be addressed?**

**Do you read the association newsletter? If so, is it informative to you?**

**Do you know we have a web site? (It is at <http://www.nehpa.org/>) Would you rather go to it to keep up on neighborhood events and information pertaining to the neighborhood?**

**Are you a member of the association? Would you like to become one? (Have applications ready at time of survey – they can also visit: [http://www.nehpa.org/membership\\_form.html](http://www.nehpa.org/membership_form.html))**

**Would you be able to volunteer in some way to help the association?**

*(List some of the ways possible: block captain, membership, homes tour, web site, beautification, codes and zoning, welcoming, yard sale, special events, safety, history of neighborhood, newsletter)*

*(Also suggest that any specific skills that the residents may have are always appreciated in a volunteer capacity.)*

*(Thank them for their time.)*