



# PROJECT FOCUS: DENBY PARK

## A COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIP

CITY OF NORFOLK, OFFICE OF COMMUNITY EMPOWERMENT  
 NOVEMBER 2008

### *Happy Thanksgiving to You and Your Family!*

Project Focus staff wish you and your family a very Happy Thanksgiving. We thank you for the opportunity to meet and visit with you at the October Project Focus meeting. We are looking forward to working with all of you in the coming weeks and months to increase the safety and security of all residents in the neighborhood, to ensure that properties are in compliance with the City codes, and to provide children and youth positive, productive life choices .



This is our first monthly newsletter which will communicate the status of projects, clarify issues, and address your concerns. This is a community newsletter, so please use it as a communication tool that goes two ways, from the City to the resident and from the resident to the City. Please send articles, pictures, and other tidbits of information that you think will be of interest to the community as a whole, and we will do our best to publish them.

The newsletter will be sent out via email and available for pick up at the Crossroads Recreation Center, Van Wyck Library, and the Norfolk Workforce Development Center.

## Little Creek Road Crosswalk Installation



The Department of Public Works is currently working on the design and implementation of a crosswalk on Little Creek Road.

The crosswalk will be located between the 64 exit ramp and San Antonio Boulevard. Installation is expected to be completed by February 2009.

### Community Report Card

Outcome	Status
Surveillance Cameras	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Locations are set at Fort Worth, Galveston, and San Antonio.</li> <li>• Electrical metering configuration is underway, installation begins in November.</li> <li>• Dominion Power connects electrical to make poles ready for video/radio installation.</li> <li>• Video/radio configuration installed and servers tested at the City.</li> <li>• First cameras placed on pole and tested in December.</li> <li>• Remaining cameras installed during the month of December.</li> <li>• Completion date by January 2009.</li> </ul>

## Big Al's Says Good Morning To Denby Park!



### Special Service Area Update in the Denby Park Area

Norfolk Redevelopment & Housing Authority and the City of Norfolk have several loan and grant programs to help you create a "new home" look and feel. The 4 programs are: The Norfolk Home Rehabilitation Program for homeowners, the Residential Façade and Aesthetic Improvement Grant Program that provides a matching grant up to \$15,000 for multi-family housing, the Model Home Demonstration Program that provides a matching loan for room additions and finally the Neighborhood Street Stabilization Program which provides for infrastructure improvements. To date, a total of 55 residents have contacted NRHA regarding the new residential improvement programs. For more information Please contact: Judy. K Haller, 314-2085.

### Second Patrol Pro-Active Enforcement Activities



On May 5, 2008 a bicycle patrol unit was established working daily during the hours of 7:00 p.m.—3:30 a.m.. The unit focuses on violent crime along the East Little Creek Road corridor between the 300-2400 blocks. Enforcement actions for the reporting period include:

- 3 Felony Arrests
- 37 Misdemeanor Arrests
- 5 Field Interviews
- Evidence Recovered—Crack Cocaine (\$10 value), Heroin (\$300 value), Marijuana (\$160 value) and 2 weapons.



Block Watch is a program of neighbors watching out for neighbors. Thanks to our "Watchers" a burglary was stopped in October with an arrest made.

There are over 20 members of the Denby Park Block Watch team. Block Watch members would like to advise you to be safe and always keep a watchful eye on your surroundings during this holiday season.



#### Project Focus is a Community Partnership Supported By:

**Mayor Paul Fraim and Norfolk City Council  
&  
City Manager, Regina V.K. Williams**

If you are interested in joining the Project Focus Denby Park committee, please call 823-1132.

This newsletter is published for the benefit of the community. If you have any articles that you would like included, please contact Barbara Lai  
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