

# Clement Kern Gardens Community Newsletter

## Thank you for attending the City's July meeting at Clement Kern Gardens!



Clement Kern Gardens residents described what they would like to see in their future homes at the City of Detroit's resident meeting on July 14.

The City of Detroit is applying for a federal Choice Neighborhoods grant to redevelop the Clement Kern Gardens property. The grant would fund the construction of new units at the site, as well as new affordable units throughout the Greater Corktown neighborhood.

From increasing security measures to creating private entries and outdoor spaces, residents discussed what they valued in a home and wanted to see in their community.

Families were also treated to ice cream and a chance to win a \$100 gift card. Resident feedback collected on July 14 will be included in housing plans for the property.

It's incredibly important that your voice is heard and that you help shape the future of Clement Kern Gardens.

The city will host future meetings for you to share your input, starting with our August 25 meeting at Clement Kern Gardens. Drop in between 3 p.m. and 7 p.m. We hope to see you there!

Residents wanted several features in their future housing, including:

- Better lighting
- More security cameras
- Private outdoor spaces
- Preference for private entries to units
- Play areas for kids
- Community room/space
- Dishwashers in kitchens
- No carpet
- In-unit washer/dryer
- Secure parking

### Key Points Discussed During the Meeting:

- The City is applying for a federal Choice Neighborhoods grant to preserve affordable housing at Clement Kern Gardens and build new housing in Greater Corktown.
- The grant would help the City increase the number of units at your property for various income levels.
- If the City receives the grant, it would take at least 2 years to start construction. If temporary relocation is necessary, the City and its partners will help fund moving expenses for residents.
- It's important that we get resident feedback for future plans at Clement Kern Gardens. **Your housing will not be at risk if you engage with our team; we are only discussing what you want to see in your community.**

