Ross Street United Methodist Church



312 East Ross Street, Lancaster PA 17602

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Lancaster City Alliance And Neighbors United

Dear Sirs:

The Ross Street United Methodist Church is very interested in the revitalization initiatives in the Northeast quadrant. Monte Gerizim that uses our church building is also interested in our neighborhood. We know that our neighborhood is in need of some improvements. Our relationship with Neighbors United is one we hold in esteem.

We understand that neighborhood volunteers are currently focusing their efforts on implementing a "clean and safe" strategy that targets a 10-block portion of the Northeast quadrant, with a first year budget of 40 thousand dollars. This plan promises to deliver:

- an expansion of the Lancaster Alliance Bike Ambassador Program into the target area;
- installation of additional trash receptacles and street trees; and
- abatement of quality of life issues.

Our congregations fully support these objectives. As a demonstration of that support we write this letter of endorsement. This project is one that we feel with strengthen the neighborhood and make this area of the city a better place to live.

We believe that active residents make neighborhoods safer, stronger and cities more livable. The impact that resident volunteers have had on our Northeast quadrant supports that belief. We wish you continued success, and look forward to providing whatever support or assistance you may need in pursuit of these goals.

Sincerely,

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and First United Methodist Church

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