

Helping neighbors build communities

News from Virginia LISC

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Virginia LISC wishes to say THANK YOU

to the following organizations for their contributions to the Neighborhoods Rising Initiative.

In Battersea



In Battersea and Fulton







In Fulton





Quality of Life Plans will be Highlight at Neighborhood Meetings

After months of neighborhood meetings in both Petersburg's Battersea Neighborhood and Richmond's Fulton Neighborhood, the resident developed Quality of Life Plans will be presented in their respective communities.

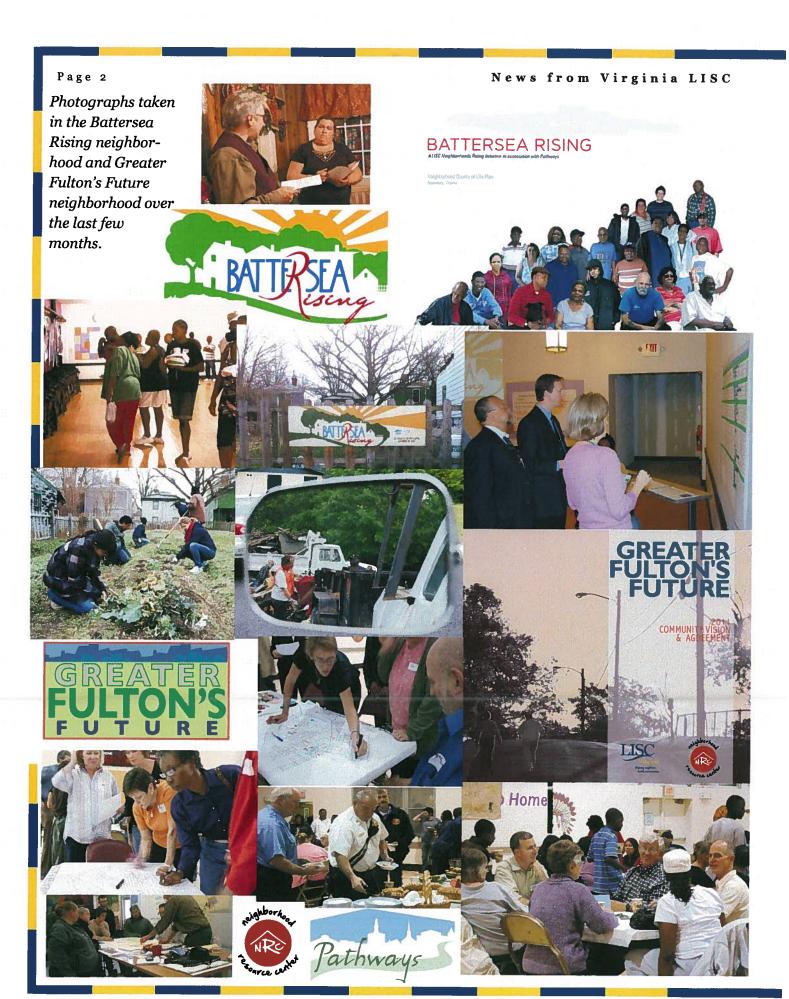
On Saturday, June 4, 2011, the Neighborhood Resource Center, Fulton's Convening Agency, will host a gathering of residents and other stakeholders to unveil the neighborhood driven *Greater Fulton's Future: Community Vision and Agreement*.

On Friday, June 10, 2011, Pathway's, Battersea's Convening Agency, will have a block party with residents and other stakeholders to celebrate the completion of the neighborhood driven Battersea Rising: A Quality of Life Plan.

More information will be available in our May Issue.



A Virginia LISC Initiative



Field Dedication of Albert Jones Field in Petersburg set for May 21, 2011 at 1:00 pm

Petersburg's Department of Parks & Leisure Services, Good Shepherd Baptist Church, the Washington Redskins Charitable Foundation, and Local Initiatives Support Corporation will dedicate the football field at Albert Jones on May 21, 2011. The field was recently renovated with new bleachers, lighted scoreboards, public address system, goal posts and field reseeding with a \$25,000 matching grant through the NFL Grassroots Program.

The NFL Grassroots Program, a partnership between the NFL Youth Football Fund and LISC, has resulted in the construction or renovation of over 225 football fields nationwide in the past 12 years. During that time, the NFL Youth Football Fund has granted more than \$28 million to revitalize playing fields in underserved neighborhoods. LISC identifies local, nonprofit, neighborhoodbased agencies that have an interest in building or refurbishing football fields in schools and parks in underserved neighborhoods. And funds come from contributions by NFL team owners and the NFL Players Association. Fields are newly built or significantly renovated, with improvements such as irrigation systems, lights, bleachers, scoreboards, goal posts and turf. NFL Grassroots Program grants are issued once the organizations established funding thresholds are reached for each project.

For Further Information visit LISC's Youth Development and Recreation www.lisc.org/section/ourwork/national/youth.

The event will take place on Saturday, May 21, starting at 1 p.m. at the Albert Jones Football Field, located at 522 S. West Street.







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The Virginia Local Initiatives Support Corporation (LISC) is dedicated to helping community residents transform distressed neighborhoods into healthy and sustainable communities of choice and opportunity — good places to work, do business and raise children. LISC mobilizes corporate, government and philanthropic support to provide local community development organizations with:

- loans, grants and equity investments
- local, statewide and national policy support
- technical and management assistance

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Helping Neighbors Building Communities

Corridors of Retail Excellence Program Comes to Greater Fulton Neighborhood

A Meet & Greet with the Corridors of Retail Excellence Team is planned for April 28th from 5:30 to 6:30 at Calvary United Methodist (1637 Williamsburg Road). Please join us to learn more about the Corridors of Retail Excellence Program.



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