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Alert Neighbor Program set to accept new applications beginning November 10

Alderwoman Milele A. Coggs and Alderman Russell W. Stamper, II today helped announce the re-launch of the expanded Alert Neighbor Program, an effort that emphasizes community involvement in addressing crime and safety concerns in Milwaukee neighborhoods.

The program, created by Alderwoman Coggs and Alderman Stamper, is an initiative that aims to reduce crime and improve safety in Milwaukee with a block-by-block approach by promoting collaboration among residents, city officials, and other partners. The program will provide funding for safety improvements such as cameras, lighting, and signage to neighborhoods that have organized groups of residents committed to addressing crime and safety issues in their area.

Neighborhoods will be selected based on factors such as the presence of active neighborhood block watches or groups, and crime rates in the area. The application process is simple, and the requirements include a minimum commitment of eight households and a willingness to contribute \$20 per resident for the safety improvements.

Applications will be accepted starting Friday, November 10, and submissions are open to residents and block clubs citywide. Applications are due by Monday, December 11.

“The Alert Neighbor Program was born out of the idea that safe neighborhoods are ones in which neighbors collaborate amongst themselves and other area partners in a truly community led and driven approach,” said Alderwoman Coggs and Alderman Stamper.

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“To date, dozens of block clubs across Milwaukee have participated in the program and found it immensely valuable, and we look forward to continuing to grow the reach of this citywide effort. We would encourage all interested parties to begin work now on preparing their application materials, and to submit them when the application window opens November 10.”

“We would also like to thank the members of the Common Council who co-sponsored and supported legislation earlier this year to expand the Alert Neighbor Program. This has truly become an effort that touches all parts of the city,” they continued.

Additional program guidelines, eligibility and application instructions can be found by visiting Milwaukee.gov/ANP. If you have further questions about the Alert Neighbor Program, you can contact the City of Milwaukee at (414) 286-5626 or email paruizc@milwaukee.gov.

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