

**Sylvia Bogert, Executive Director**

**September 2017 Report - Meetings and Events:**

- 9-7 SWNI Public Safety Committee
- 9-8 Community Policing Reception Planning meeting
- 9-8 SWNI Orientation with Corey Buchanan, new editor with SW Community Connection
- 9-11 Meeting to discuss SWNI Fundraising goals/ideas
- 9-11 ONI Bureau Advisory Committee meeting with Suk Rhee, new ONI Director
- 9-12 Neighborhood House retirement party for Rick Nitti
- 9-13 WRC review Stormwater Stars Outreach Plan
- 9-14 Citywide coalition chairs and directors meeting with Suk Rhee
- 9-14 SWNI Orientation and discussion of potential community projects with SW Charter School
- 9-14 Community Policing Reception Planning meeting
- 9-20 SWNI Finance Committee Meeting
- 8-20 SWNI Executive Committee Meeting
- 9-22 West Multnomah Soil & Water Conservation District (WMSWCD) BES, WRC meeting Re: Stormwater Stars
- 9-25 SWNI Equity and Inclusion Committee Meeting
- 9-27 SWNI Parks & Bridlemile Creek Stewards planning meeting for November 18<sup>th</sup> event
- 9-27 SWNI Board Meeting

**Budget Update FY 17-18:** We are on budget for the first two-month of the fiscal year. The Accounts Receivable on the Balance Sheet includes three BES invoices and one WMSWCD invoice. The Finance Committee we agreed we want to raise enough funds so that we do not need to dip into board reserves per the Approved FY17-18 Operating Budget which identified a need of \$14,222, plus enough to add back into the budget next year \$10,200 for NA printing and postage. Target goal is \$25,000. Ideas to achieve this are to build on what we are already doing – direct appeal in November, increase advertising, and take donations (SWNI envelopes) at SWNI sponsored events. Explore new options for fundraising: find new donors, consider corporate partnerships, host a fun family event in the spring in a park with disk golf, Tears of Joy or Imago puppet show, summer concert

**ONI Bureau Advisory Committee** – Suk Rhee the new ONI Director shared that she feels the current ONI mission “To promote a culture of civic engagement by connecting and supporting all Portlanders working together and with government to build inclusive, safe and livable neighborhoods and committees” is on target, but she is interested in the BAC setting a long-term vision, which includes conversations around equity and redistribution of services.

**ONI Reorganization** - ONI has just announced two new staff appointments: **Michelle Rodriguez** will be ONI’s Business Operations Supervisor (this is similar to the role Amy Archer played). **Dianne Riley** will be the program coordinator over ONI’s Community and Neighborhood Involvement Center (CNIC) (this is similar to the role Brian Hoop played as a ‘program manager,’ but the position level formally has been reduced to the “program coordinator” classification). CNIC includes ONI’s neighborhood and community engagement programs.

**SWNI WRC Job Posting for Stormwater Program Specialist** – Per our grant with WMSWCD we have announced a temporary part time position for a Stormwater Program Specialist. The position has been posted on our website, October newspaper, MAC’s List, and a number of other environmental and nonprofit organizations. Application deadline is October 14, 2017. We will review applications and arrange for interviews mid-October.

**Community Learning & Listening Session on Affordable Housing in the SW Corridor:** October 14, 9:30 and to 12:30 pm (lunch served at 12:30 pm) at Markham Elementary School, 10531 SW Capitol Hwy. Everyone is welcome. Childcare will be provided. Ryan Curren is the project manager for the SW Corridor Equitable Housing Strategy. (Website:<https://www.portlandoregon.gov/bps/73445>)

**Community Recycling Event:** Sat., October 21, 9:00 to 11:30 am 9 (new times), at Greater Portland Bible Church, 2374 SW Vermont (new location). Items accepted include: Electronics, small batteries, corks, light bulbs, printer cartridges. Items not accepted: Styrofoam or bulky rigid plastics.

**Community Policing Reception:** Thurs., October 26, 6:30 pm, MAC Auditorium. This event is to honor and highlight the work of law enforcement officers serving SW Portland. Hearty hors-d’oeuvres and music will be provided as well as some fun door prizes. The event is free and everyone is welcome. We are asking participants to contribute a warm hat, scarf, or gloves for officers to distribute to community members in need during the winter months.

**Multnomah Trick or Treat Event:** Tues., October 31, Time 3:30 to 5:30 pm – The Equity & Inclusion Committee will be distributing fun Day of the Dead coloring pictures, candy, and maybe a song or two. The WRC will also have a table with flyers for the Stormwater Stars Open House on November 4<sup>th</sup>.

**SWNI Fall Cleanup:** Sat., Nov. 4<sup>th</sup>, 9 am to 1 pm, Portland Christian Center, 5700 SW Dosch Road. We will be accepting re-usable household items for Community Warehouse, scrap metal and bulky waste items. We still need volunteers to assist with collecting items from seniors and disabled residents to bring to the site.