

Kenilworth/Parkside Choice Comprehensive Needs Assessment Summary

The Community Needs Assessment was conducted March 8 - April 14, 2012.

Four of the 11 assessors were Kenilworth/Parkside residents were hired to work with the families in Kenilworth Courts and KPRMC.

- Of a possible 377 households 373 completed assessments.
- 2 refused
- 1 out of town
- 1 mentally and physically unable to complete assessment

Total of 1270 persons live in the 2 developments (KC and KPRMC)

479 Males 791 Females

94% female heads

65% of household members are under the age of 25

4% are seniors (62+)

57% of adults have HS diploma or GED

22% of adults are working (38% h of h)

76% of household make less than \$20k/year

Responses from heads of households surveyed

- Education:
 - Children attend school regularly and parents like their child's school, yet only a little more than half have met their child's teacher or attend PTA meetings
 - Parents read to their children, yet less than 50% use the library
 - and 38% have a home computer
 - Parents expect their children to finish high school and college;
 - 87% responded that school was not important to achieving success.

○ Safety:

Over 50% of respondents answered yes when asked:

- Do you feel safe in their neighborhood
- Does the police come when called
- Do you attend PSA mtgs
- Do you have a role in keeping the community safe

○ Health:

Of the 373 respondents the following conditions exist:

- 43% have hypertension
- 36% have heart problems
- 33% of respondents had premature births or had a child to die before the age of 1
- 36% have difficulty sleeping and 31% are emotionally distressed
- 34% respondents have children with asthma

○ Services:

What types of Services they would like to see in your neighborhood?

93% want more Security

89% of respondents want more Youth Services

80% want a grocery store

77% want job training programs