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 at 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.
o 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

o 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

o 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