Community A-Teams

Setting Our State and Local Agenda
Local Organizing, Statewide Results

- To increase the influence of housing and community development advocates, the Network organizes geographically-based Advocacy Teams, or “A-Teams.”

- Since their launch in 2006, these A-Teams have quickly become the backbone of successful advocacy and organizing efforts at the local, state and federal level.

- Working all over the state, these Network members and allies participate in a range of activities that support neighborhood and citywide grassroots campaigns and advance our statewide and Federal issue agenda.
Engaging the Community

A-Teams Organize by

- Assembling and attending meetings with elected and appointed officials at the local, state and federal level;
- Participating in Network advocacy events, i.e. rallies, legislative days; bus tours;
- Recruiting and engaging others to work on the A-Team agenda;
- Registering, educating and mobilizing voters around housing and community development issues; and,
- Attending planning meetings and training sessions
Identifying Local Issues

- Key Policies: What are our local policy priorities?
- How do these issues tie into the Network’s statewide and federal policy priorities?
Who Are Our Allies?

- Identify local, county, and state elected officials who can help.
- Find venues and organizations, who can help provide resources.
Invite Elected Officials To Hear Concerns

- Our advocacy is a two-way street
- Invite officials to talk about their issues and to hear ours
The annual Legislative Day is our lobby day. We spend the day at the State House, attend important committee meetings, and schedule meetings with legislators.
Celebrate Victories

When we succeed in our advocacy, our A-teams gain policy credibility and political capital.
Join Us!

- Join an A-Team! Contact:
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