



Neighborhood Association Annual Report

Note: Annual reports may be published on the City's website. In addition to representing your neighborhood association to the City of Boise, this report should enlighten citizens who want to participate in your neighborhood association.

Required Information

Date **11/01/2013**

1. Neighborhood Association Name: **Central Foothills Neighborhood Association**

2. What is the Neighborhood Association's mission or purpose?

The Central Foothills Neighborhood Association (CFNA) was organized to provide an opportunity for residents to seek the opinions of members regarding pertinent neighborhood issues; and by the best means possible to act as representative of those majority opinions; and to identify the physical and social values of the neighborhood foothills environment; and seek funding sources and program to improve it for the benefit of the community; and to educate members about issues affecting the neighborhood; and to provide an open process by which all members of the Association may involve themselves in the affairs of the neighborhood; and to engage the neighborhood in the planning and development process; and to educate on general issues pertinent to health, safety, and environment as they may impact the neighborhood; and for neighborhood charitable purposes (...CFNA Bylaws).

3. Who is the current President?

Name: Dorothy Finaldi
Address: 3020 Hillway Drive Boise, ID 83702
Phone Number: #505.379.4637
E-mail Address: dorothyfinaldi@gmail.com

4. When were the last board/officer elections? How was that meeting advertised?

The last annual meeting was held February 27, 2013 and was advertised through the Central Foothills Neighborhood Association website <http://www.boisecentralfoothills.org>, member email distribution, and street placards. Board members were elected for the 2013 term:

- Dorothy Finaldi, President
- Helen Thorsen, Vice President (resigned in August 2013. Joanie Fauci succeeded her and is serving as interim Vice-President until next board election cycle – 12/2013)
- Angela Wickham, Secretary/Treasurer

Note: We would like to take this opportunity to give special thanks to Helen Thorsen. Helen has served as CFNA Vice President over the last couple of years. New demands of her time pulled her off of formal board duties. Helen was instrumental in so many of our neighborhood projects and activities, especially NNO and chipper projects. She was always willing to contribute and conduct much of the pre-event research. Thanks Helen!

5. Describe the structure of the board:

As defined in the Bylaws, CFNA, membership is open to resident age 18 and over located within the Association boundaries. The CFNA Board of Directors consists of not less than three (3) individuals who at all times are members of the Association. The members of record elect the Board of Directors from candidates nominated by the members of record. The Board of Directors shall manage the affairs of the Association in the interim between membership meetings. The Board of Directors shall be accountable to the membership; shall seek the views of those affected by any proposed policies or actions; and shall comply with the Bylaws to the best of their abilities. Specific duties of the Board are outlined in CFNA Bylaws. Current Board members:

Dorothy Finaldi – President: Dorothy Finaldi and her husband relocated to Boise in 2009 from Big Bend National Park, TX. Dorothy is passionate about the outdoors and enjoys gardening, biking, camping, walking her dogs and Idaho's rivers. She appreciates the quality of life that the Boise Foothills offer and works to sustain this special place by volunteering for CFNA, FireWise projects and neighborhood events.

Joanie Fauci – Vice President: Joanie has long contributed to the neighborhood and CFNA. She was the first secretary/treasurer of the CFNA, has lived in the neighborhood for 20 years and is very active in many community organizations. She most recently is chairing CFNA's Hillside to Hollow (H2H) workgroup and working on the Yes Yes Campaign.

Angela Wickham – Secretary/Treasurer: Angela and her husband have lived in the neighborhood since 2007 and became involved in CFNA in 2009. She enjoys the foothills (running, biking, walking) and the wonderful sense of community with neighbors. She is a supporter of various health, arts, educational, and recreational efforts/events and has served as CFNA Secretary/Treasurer for the last two terms.

6. Who should the City send development notices to?

Name:

Dorothy Finaldi
3020 Hillway Drive
#505.379.4637
dorothyfinaldi@gmail.com
(Note: 2014 Board of Directors will be elected in December, 2013)

7. Provide information about any newsletter, website, listserv or other mass communication means you use. How do users subscribe?

CFNA posts information on its website: <http://www.boisecentralfoothills.org>, through member email distribution, street signs, and door-to-door flyers. Quarterly newsletters will be developed as volunteers allow.

CFNA applied for a City of Boise, Neighborhood Reinvestment Mini-grant this year (11/2013) to assist with communication tools (web presence/domains, mailing distribution, maintaining address/contact database, newsletters, etc.)

8. When is your next annual meeting?

December 9, 2013

9. State your regularly scheduled meeting dates, identify whether they are general membership or board meetings, and state how they will be advertised.

(Note: The City's recommended bylaws template indicates that an annual meeting where the board is elected is necessary, as well as outlines a minimum of 4 board member meetings a year that the board encourages the general membership to attend.)

CFNA holds quarterly meetings. In 2013, general membership meetings were held in February, May, September, and December. CFNA committees and board met as needed, ongoing throughout the year.

10. Additional documents are required. See below for details.

Required Submittal Documents

The following information must be submitted with your Annual Report:

9a. The name, address, phone number and e-mail address of each board member and officer.

President: Dorothy Finaldi
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Vice President: Joanie Fauci
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#208.631.4748

Secretary/Treasurer: Angela Wickham
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Boise, Idaho 83702
#208.867.6898
wickhama@cableone.net

9b. A list of each committee, describing its purpose and structure. Include the name, address, phone number and e-mail of each committee Chair.

- **Neighborhood Watch Committee:** Lani Gallimore, Chair 3103 W. Hillway Drive, #208.343-8816, panache@cableone.net. CFNA re-engaged the Neighborhood Watch Program, continuing the efforts started earlier by Derrick Moorefield. The Neighborhood Watch Committee will engage with the Community Policing Unit Neighborhood Contact, the City of Boise Neighborhood Watch Director, CFNA residents, and other partners to help prevent and reduce crime, address home and personal security, and build a sense of community.
- **Firewise Community:** Jody Orr, Chair 2933 Hillway Drive, #208.343-2811, jodyorr@cableone.net CFNA is official a firewise certified neighborhood with the diligent efforts of Chair Jody Orr. Neighbors continue to help rid the neighborhood of fire hazards. See below for specific efforts this past year!
- **Hillside to Harrison (H2H) Foothills Committee:** Joanie Fauci, Chair 2944 Hillway Drive, #208.631.4748, joanie4c@gmail.com. CFNA formed a workgroup committee to represent the neighborhood and work with the City of Boise in planning of the recently purchased 260 acres of foothills open space, known as the Hillside to the Hollow (H2H). This land lies east of Hillside Junior High School, west of Harrison Hollow, and north of Hill Road, and adjoins a major portion of the CFNA area. To gather input on what residents of the CFNA area would like to see as a possible future for this area, the CFNA workgroup created a survey conducted in Sept/Oct 2013.
- **Fire Hydrant Facelift (repainting project):** Members at large, in concert with Ada County Highway District and the Boise City Fire Department helped to repaint the fire hydrants in the neighborhood - October 2013.
- **Other committees/workgroups are formed as needed.**

9c. A copy of your Articles of Association and Bylaws.

On-file (no changes)

Optional Information

Please highlight your accomplishments for the year. They might include:

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- CFNA commended the City of Boise for their recent purchase the nearly 260 acres of open space ('Hillside to Hollow – H2H') providing outstanding recreational opportunities in the Boise Foothills. The acquisition of this property for public use has been of supreme interest for so many over the years and is especially valued by our neighborhood association as it lies within its boundaries and so many of our neighbors/members use it on a regularly basis. This purchase has the potential to create trail connections in an area that is enormously popular. It enhances the health of our community by providing recreational access near existing neighborhoods and businesses, and continues to expand the great legacy of the Foothills Levy. We appreciate the work that City of Boise and numerous stakeholders did to move this forward. CFNA Board submitted an appreciation letter to Mayor David Bieter and the Boise City Council, and helped celebrate the Hillside to Hollow Foothills acquisition with them at the ribbon cutting ceremony on Wednesday, June 26, 2013.



In the spirit of continuing stewardship, CFNA is very much interested in providing input and recommendations on trails, trailheads, maintenance, plants, wildlife habitat, and other resource issues and created a specific Committee from membership to assist with this effort, chaired by Joanie Fauci.



The committee developed and conducted a Hillside to the Hollow (H2H) Community Survey in Sep/Oct 2013, soliciting input from neighbors on the recently acquired land. Results of the survey were shared with the Mayor's Office and City Council Members.

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- Lani Gallimore is the (newly reinstated) CFNA Neighborhood Watch Coordinator. She canvassed the neighborhood this past summer (2013) letting residents know about the program and how inquired how neighbors would like to be kept informed (updating contact list). Neighborhood Watch strives to build a safe and healthy neighborhood, informing neighbors how to prevent and reduce crime, address home and personal security, and build a sense of community. The City of Boise website posts neighborhood watch information <http://police.cityofboise.org/home/news-releases/2013/09/home-burglary-alert-whats-happening-and-how-to-protect-against-becoming-a-victim/>
- Firewise Activities: CFNA was awarded a grant by the Southwest Idaho Resource Conservation and Development Council to participate in the Chipper Program again this year (2013). CFNA, in partnership with the Southwest Idaho Resource Conservation & Development Council, the City of Boise, and the Bureau of Land Management (BLM), sponsored vegetation removal in our neighborhood, located within the Wildland-Urban Interface (WUI). The intent of this project is to assist homeowners in reducing hazardous fuels that can contribute to the spread of wildfires (e.g. Juniper, Arborvitae, etc.). Last year we had 31% of our residents participate; this year we aimed for 40%. Some landscaping was previously provided at one firewise home. At a general membership CFNA meeting, Elisa Clark from the North End Organic Nursery suggested some firewise plants that members could plant instead of fire fueled plants: ornamental grasses, service berries, buckthorns, lilacs, elder berries (black lace), red flowering current, alpine current, jack frost, etc.
- CFNA supported the City of Boise's Public Safety and Livability Bond Proposals: On September 23, 2013, CFNA held a General Meeting. Residents in attendance agreed by a majority vote that the Central Neighborhood Foothills Association would support and endorse the Boise Public Safety and Livability Bonds measures on the November 5, 2013 ballot. The CFNA Board encourages all our residents to get out and vote on November 5th! CFNA Board members participated in open houses, City Council meetings, and other educational campaigns in sharing information and support for the bonds.
- In coordination with the Ada County Highway District and the Boise City Fire Department, CFNA helped repaint fire hydrants in our neighborhood (10/2013)! Of the 24 identified within CFNA boundaries, ~ 13 required repainting.



- CFNA invited Kathleen Marie Lacey, Comprehensive Planner/Neighborhood Coordinator, City of Boise to one of the quarterly meetings to provide an overview of the services that her office provides and how neighborhood associations can collaborate and work together and best utilize available Neighborhood Reinvestment Grant funds. CFNA applied for, and was awarded, a mini-grant to complete neighborhood association meeting notice signs (January 2013). CFNA is applying for new grant funds for 2014 for Neighborhood Watch signs, Firewise signs, and funds for NA communication (website, listserve, newsletters, etc.).

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