

NORTH TYLER AREA REBUILD AMERICA - COMMUNITY BUILDING INITIATIVE
Increasing community and economic development through capacity building, leadership, education and workforce opportunities.
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Priorities Selected

The North Tyler Area Rebuild America Initiative target community finalized priorities to address in this community. These were determined by input from attendees at a series of priority setting meetings and additional surveys received.

Baseline Rebuild America priorities include:

- Community and economic development
- Green Jobs Academy opportunities through education and workforce
- Making homes/buildings energy efficient.

North Tyler Initiative’s additional priorities, *highlighted below*, include:

- Health services to seniors and families
- Youth services and opportunities
- Business development

CONCERNS	#
Health Issues	37
Youth Services	37
Community	35
Workforce Development	34
Affordable Housing	22
Education/ Higher Ed	20
Senior Services	11
Energy Efficiency/ Renewable Energy Technologies	10
Building/ Construction	9
Small Business	9
Adult Literacy	7
Infrastructure	5
Technology	5
Transportation	4
Arts	2
Economic Development	2
English as a Second Language	2

SOLUTIONS	#
Community	31
Health Issues	30
Workforce Development	25
Affordable Housing	20
Building/ Construction	20
Education/ Higher Ed	17
Youth Services	17
Small Business	8
Energy Efficiency/ Renewable Energy Technologies	7
Other	7
Arts	2
Infrastructure	2
Transportation	2
Adult Literacy	1
English as a Second Language	1
Senior Services	1

Actual input on “concerns & solutions” from each meeting and surveys are provided in the charts below.

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BREAKDOWN OF CONCERNS & SOLUTIONS

	Meeting 1: 4/9/09 TC Key Staff	Mtg 2: 4/28/09 TC Staff	Mtg 3: 4/29/09 TC Students	Mtg 4: 3/16/10 Key Alumni	Mtg 5: 3/30/10 12noon Key Leaders	Mtg 6: 3/30/10 1pm General Community	Mtg 7: 4/6/10 12pm General Community	Mtg 8: 4/5/10 6pm General Community	Survey Rec'd	Grand Total
	CONCERNS									
1	Adult Literacy		Adult Literacy - 2		Adult Literacy-1	Literacy	Literacy			7
2					Adults that need a GED	Adult Education				
3	Affordable Housing	Affordable Housing-2	Houses free of lead paints, molds, etc	My house off campus	Affordable Housing-4	Housing for low income elderly	Affordable housing - 4	Housing	Transitional housing	22
4					Families in need of a home	Housing for over 55	Low Income Housing- 2	Low income housing		
5							Homeless			
6	Arts		Lack of community gathering and/or arts facilities for large groups		Not enough space for the Arts (Theatre)					2
7	Building/ Construction	Dorms - 2	Deteriorating Buildings on College campus and in community	Update Buildings on campus						9
8			Old Buildings	Dormitories - 3						
9				Re-structure campus						
10	Community	Clean neighborhood- 2		Single Parent program	Good Homes, Good Parks		Crime	Safety in the community	More access to businesses for community in N. Tyler	35

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	CONCERNS									
11	Spirit of Apathy-3		Homeless resources		Community Participation	Fair Law Enforcement	Negative Publicity	Opportunity for growth in N. Tyler		
12	Community Leaders involved-4			Good parks	Re- Development	Homelessness - 3	Support (mentors) for women	Fun things to do		
13						Family Support	women who can't get training b/c they can't afford childcare	Providing services to support faith/ community based agencies		
14	Collaboration for families					Adult DayCare for VA DAVA				
15	Partnership w/TX College					Reach out to Parents	the needs of illegal immigrants			
16							utility assistance			
17						Single Parents				
18	Economic Development						Econ. Development- 2			2
19	Education/ Higher Ed		Offer more degree plans	Education for H.S. Tech's	Affordable college education for youth & assistance in the process	High school drop-outs - 2	Illiteracy			20
20			Homeless education	Education		Childhood education, Pre-school	Education- 2	more educational museums		

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	CONCERNS									
21			GED/continued ed		Young men and women focusing on the importance of education	childhood teacher training	Education Services- 2			
22					Financial Literacy training for families	Education				
23								Educating Youth re: Health Services		
24	English as a Second Language		Offer ESL classes				English/Spanish as a second language			2
25	Energy Efficiency/ Renewable Energy Technologies		Energy Efficiency		EE/RE homes for elderly	Senior's energy bills				10
26			Renovation of WLG (Glass Building)		High Utility/Energy bills					
27			Quality of Housing - Energy Efficiency		"Green" Education					
28			Promoting Clean & Efficient energy							
29			Renovate child care facility							
30			More EE housing in community							

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	CONCERNS										
31	Health Issues		Obesity- Indoor/outdoor exercise opportunities	Safety	Affordable Healthcare	Healthcare for elderly	Adult & Youth substance abuse	Women who lack health care & can't take care of themselves or children	Healthy diet alternatives	Limited to no access to dental services for uninsured	37
32			Indoor multi- sports opportunities (ice-skating, swimming, soccer, baseballs)		Medicine for Elderly	Access to Mental healthcare for youth	Health Education	Mental health awareness	Substance abuse services	Increased acces to mental health services & case management	
33							Adult Caregiving issues - 3	Suicide prevention	health for all ages	Mental health/ Health needs not being met	
34							Healthcare	Healthcare- 4	HIV/ AIDS Homeless	Health education and access to health services	
35							Alzheimer's Disease Srvs - 2	lack of medical assistance	Lack of resources/ services for HIV/AIDS		
36							Education about dementia & resources for families facing it - 2	access/services for people with disabilities- 2	Need for HIV Education		
37	Infrastructure	Science Bldg	Buildings, pines, basic structures, maintenance	Upgrade community (fix roads, houses, etc.)		Street lights					5
38	Infrastructure										

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39	Small Business		Development of new businesses in community				Small business- 4			9
40							business- 2			
41							lack of businesses			
42							retail (small) businesses			
43	Technology		Technology (energy usage)		Technology		Technology	More Computer labs		5
44							Educational Resources (technology)			
45	Transportation					People without transportation	Public Transportation- 2			4
46							Crossing Broadway & gentry pkwy if walking			
47	Workforce Dev.		Adult training to re-enter workforce	Jobs- 3	Jobs - 3	Jobs - 2	Job development/ training- 4	Ex-Cons need jobs	unemployed/ under employed men	34
48				Low Employment	un/under employment	Single mothers with no job skills	Job growth	Job training- 2		
49				Need more decent paying jobs	Job Creation - 2	underemployed	Women who live in poverty or need to go to work, but have no job skills	Creating Jobs		
50					Ex-offenders re- entry into workforce - 2	Employers	Temporary or permanent jobs	Mentoring Apprenticeship w/ local schools		
51						low-income single parents		Trade schools		
52						Youth Education and Job training				

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53	Youth Svcs	Transportation	Student involved in Conservation Project-Electricity	Kids park	More Activities for youth	Youth	Getting Hispanic youth involved	Youth Services- 4	Youth Training	37
54		Drop-outs	Youth engaged activities alternativelearning via activities		Youth Program	Affordable Day Care	Low Esteem Youth	Education/ Entertainment for teens increased in area	Helping young kids, mentoring	
55		Students	Mentors for students\ Families		Gang Activity		Youth - 3	Gang affiliation	Youth Services	
56			Opportunities for student interations (wholesome places)				Positive Youth Development opportunities	Youth Jobs	providing a place for kids to learn how to be good adults	
57							Youth Leadership	After school program for working parents	young men going to prison- 2	
58							low-income youth			
59							Underage drinking			
60							Economically disadvantaged youth			
61	Senior Svcs	Seniors access to services					Senior Citizens - 7		Seniors	11
62							Caregivers of Seniors			
63							Senior living conditions			

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64	Adult Literacy				Local Night classes for ppl who work days		GED classes				2
65	Affordable Housing	Access to housing	All houses would have efficient & clean energy			Build Safe, Affordable Housing Neighborhoods	Better Housing	Accessible housing for people with disabilities	Housing Assistance for persons with HIV/ AIDS		20
66		Students w/children	New Dorms			Bring stakeholders together to discuss best approach to promoting sustainable affordable housing	More Affordable Homes - 2	transitional housing			
67		Resident centers	New Houses			Convincing local politicians to focus on base issues such as sustainable affordable housing	Low Income Senior Housing	Address low- income housing			
68		Bldg repair					Innovative low- cost housing				
69							VA Homes				
70	Arts		An arts center with rooms for literacy classes								2
71			Build performing arts & cultural center								

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72	Building/ Construction	New workforce building in North Tyler	Remodel campus		Comprehensive Housing Rehab Program	Senior home repair service	Expand & Update old firehouse.	Build a place to meet and discuss concerns for the young men		20
73		New Arcade MIC Building	Need ed facilities & office					Build Transitional housing		
74		Provide new structures and facilities to address in area	new buildings for dorm					Build a drug and alcohol center		
75		Establish Community Education Center	new dorm					Build state of the art museums		
76		Major Community Facilities for events	rebuild burned dorm							
77		New streets, side walks, play areas, replace old homes with new ones								
78		The Community around Texas College would enhance the culture								
79		Waste Recovery Plant								

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80	Community	Beautification program	Network, build collaborations, stakeholders	Community based initiative in coordination w/ law enforcement that focuses on gangs	Lower Taxes - 2	Involve more North Tyler citizens to serve on Grand Jury	Funds for assisting w/legalization process for immigrants		Dialogue facilitated to encourage collaboration between community leaders, schools and stakeholders	31
81		Neighborhood watch		Coalition of churches that support programming specific to elderly	Build Coalitions	Talk more to Austin	Community Resource Directory	Get more involved in needs of community		
82		Everyone involved			Target economic development incentives for North Tyler for taxes, training, grants, and low interest loans	Agency Collaboration		More programming		
83		Better relationships			Revitalize the whole North Tyler Community	Community Cohesiveness	One Stop Services	Motivational speakers		
84						Talk more with people who own property	More accessibility for disabled people- 2	More Incentives		
86							Create positive publicity	Make people pay restitution for crimes instead of prison		
87							Community coming together to fund more community event			

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88	Education/ Higher Ed		Educate/ communicate/ involvement	Education	Free Post Secondary Education	Superb education Pre-K through Jr. College	Unique & consistent education that involves financial incentives	Bring NASA to Tyler		17
89			Training/development	Educate citizens on available programs for education	Appropriate Educational Facilities	Better support for teachers	More education to anyone who needs it			
90				Night classes for ppl who work days	Design a method to mobilize parent to be more involved in schools		helping dropouts			
91					More GED classes at different times of the day	Teacher training workshops	Education			
92										
93	English as a Second Language					More ESL classes in the Community				1
94	Energy Efficiency/ Renewable Energy Technologies	Clean up community & create a safer environment		Reasonable Alternative power sources		Energy Efficiency training				7
95		Energy Efficiency/Renewable Energy training		Rehab/Retrofit houses						
96		Construction of model energy efficient building								
97		Renovations and new equipment								

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98	Health Issues		A Community Sports Complex	Center for educating about people about homeless		Promote Healthy Lifestyles	Community-wide awareness of Alzheimers services - 3	Find out healthcare needs	Massive Awareness campaign for HIV prevention	Free quarterly dental clinics for uninsured	30
99							Expanded Capacity for treatment of substance abuse	Chronic disease management	Provide Affordable or subsidize substance abuse services	Psychiatric service possibly through sattellite phychiatry	
100							Caregiver education and mentoring	pediatric prescription program	Resource help for HIV		
101							Increased opportunities for caregivers in community education	\$\$ for specialist referrals	Provide a stipend for training faith based group on health & emergency planning		
102							Adult day care - 2				
103							Train caregiving medical professionals in dementia care/diagnosis who reach North Tyler				
104							Training for senior care facilities in dementia care				
105							Offer respite care assistance monies				
106	Infrastructure	Science Bldg	Better Streets & Better lights								2

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107	Small Business	Economic Development of community new businesses			Make small business loans easier to obtain		Non-Profit Incubator			8
108		New business incentives for North Tyler					Small business incubator			
109		Renewable Energy-Based Small Business development center					Committee organized to recruit small busniesses			
110							small business development			
111										
112	Workforce Dev.	Opportunities for college and community to work together		Training-5	Job Training programs with local businesses	More Job skill training for youth	Job training- 2	Pull up min. wage	Job/ Life Skills Training	25
113				Small business incubation	Businesses sponsor & train new workers then hire them		Money	Provide Job/ Trade training- 4		
114							Work for everyone	Food production company employs local unemployed youth		
115							Job opportunities for people with disabilities	Make job simulator		
116							Create Jobs in N. Tyler	allowing men real good paying jobs when they get out of prison to help their families		

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117	Youth Svcs	address/reduce drop out rate		Design a kids activity center	Parks & Recreation activities for youth	Youth development opportunities after school	Targeted underage drinking program	Sliding Scale Daycare	Teach young ppl how to communicate w/ public	17
118				Affordable daycare	Expanded youth mentoring programs	Leadership opportunities for youth	Program providing child care	Mentor young ppl to be responsible for themselves		
119					Sponsors for youth scholarships and mentors to hold their hand through the college process	More extensive mentoring opportunities for youth		Teaching/ Apprentice youth @ food incubator		
120						Spanish interpreters for non-profit youth organizations				
121						Quality Childcare at low/no cost - 2				
122	Senior Svcs				Offer deferred or forgivable loans to elderly					1
123	Transportation						Walking overpass Gentry & Broadway			2
124							Public Transportation			
125	Other		Research/training/ fundraising	Fulfillment		Simplify process to receive funding	More classes available for community leaders			7
126				Application		Financial support				
127						Social Justice				

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