

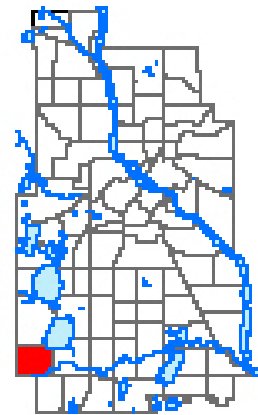
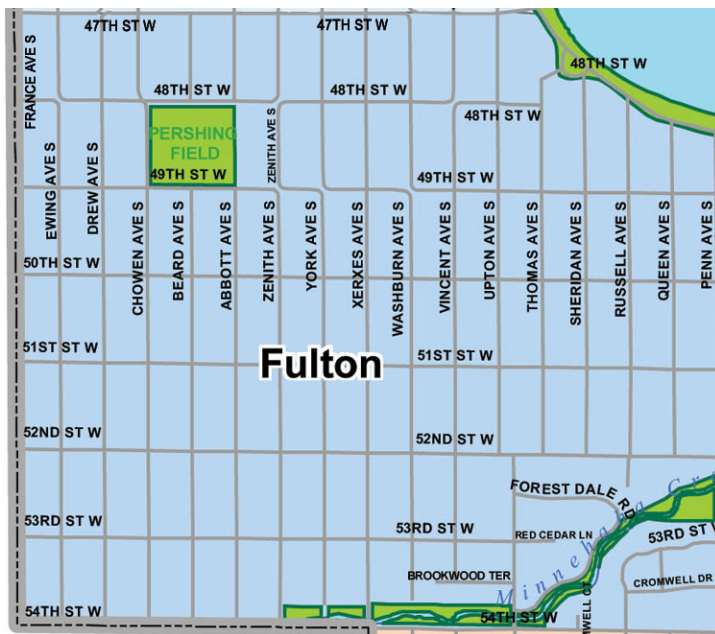


Minneapolis Police Department 2009 Neighborhood Policing Plan *Fulton Neighborhood*

Introduction:

The Fulton Neighborhood is located in the Minneapolis Police Department's Fifth Precinct.

Neighborhood Map:



Location and Characteristics:

Fulton neighborhood in the southwest corner of Minneapolis borders the suburb of Edina. It's bound on the north by 47th Street West, on the east by Penn Avenue South, on the south by 54th Street West and on the west by France Avenue South. Lake Harriet sits in Fulton's northeast corner and Minnehaha Creek runs through it.

Overview:

The neighborhood takes its name from Robert Fulton, the engineer and artist who invented the steamboat in the 19th century. Fulton neighborhood is bisected by 50th Street West, a busy thoroughfare with a commercial district that extends well into Edina. A largely residential neighborhood, houses were built there mostly in the 1920s and 1930s.

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Crime Statistics:

Relative to the rest of the City of Minneapolis, Fulton enjoys a low crime rate. Of the crimes reported, there are two types, property crimes and crimes against persons. Fulton has a very minimal amount of crimes against persons. In overall reported crime from 2007 to 2008, there was a 30% drop in burglaries and a 17% drop in thefts. Auto theft decreased by 50%. There was one more robbery in 2008, bringing the total to three which is very low compared to other areas of the city.. The Minneapolis Police Department kept residents informed of possible crime trends through crime alerts, disseminating crime prevention tips and working the Fulton Crime and Safety committee. The Minneapolis Police Department would like to continue to decrease crime in Fulton.

Neighborhood Concerns:

The two main reported concerns for Fulton are graffiti and property crimes. The residents note that they have experienced issues with graffiti and juveniles loitering in the area, especially in the blocks surrounding Southwest High School.

Property crimes are the other concern with the occasional burglary and theft from motor vehicle. Although it is felt that Fulton is a relatively low-crime area, there are certain cycles that can occur when prolific property criminals may come to the area and as the weather gets warmer. This includes burglaries that may occur in the businesses or residential areas.

2009 Policing Strategy:

In the Fulton neighborhood, we will focus on the following categories for crime reduction:

1. Reduce burglaries: Strategies include conducting additional premise surveys and home safety workshops, educating the community about target hardening, and getting residents to close and lock doors on a consistent basis. (Many of neighborhood property crimes cases are related to unsecured garages and homes.)
2. The Minneapolis Police Department, 5th Precinct, will continue to encourage and educate residents to record make, model and serial numbers on common theft items and other items of value to the owner. This includes laptops, bicycles, GPS units, iPods, cell phones, and other items. This will be accomplished through current methods while also developing new strategies to alert more neighbors to burglary and theft prevention information.
3. The Crime Prevention Specialist will maintain contact with the School Resource Officer at Southwest High School to give and receive information regarding juveniles loitering and participating in graffiti activity.
4. The Minneapolis Police Department will continue to strictly enforce curfew laws.

Neighborhood Engagement:

(This is what the community agrees to do)

While the Minneapolis Police Department has committed to a number of steps to improve police focus in Fulton, policing is a team effort and residents need to be part of that team. Fulton is interested in reducing or eliminating property crimes in their area.

The residents of Fulton Neighborhood Association and Fulton Safety Committee have committed to the following:

1. Fulton Safety Committee currently tracks the progress of criminals through the court system. They will actively track the burglars that have committed crimes in the neighborhood.
2. The Fulton Safety Committee will collect and provide community impact statements as needed. As the neighborhood follows an offender's progress through the court system it will ensure that the case is given the proper amount of attention that Fulton neighbors feel it deserves. Between Fulton Neighborhood Association and Fulton Safety Committee, the neighbors will disseminate safety and prevention information in the form of a newsletter and via other neighborhood e-lists.
3. The Fulton Safety Committee and the Fulton Neighborhood Association will work with the Crime Prevention Specialist to recruit more block leaders through word-of-mouth, the Community Engagement Committee and community events.

2009 Performance Measures

The following criteria will be used to measure the progress in policing the Fulton Neighborhood:

1. Decrease of 2% in number of reported burglaries.
2. Decrease of 2% in number of thefts.

Results for 2008: Performance Measures:

The 2008 performance measures and updates are as follows:

1. Decrease of 2% in number of reported burglaries.
 - a. In 2008, Fulton experienced a 30% decrease in reported burglaries.
2. Decrease of 2% in theft of motor vehicles.
 - a. In 2008, Fulton experienced a 17.5% decrease in reported thefts.

-- end of 2009 Neighborhood Plan; 2008 Results for the Fulton Neighborhood