

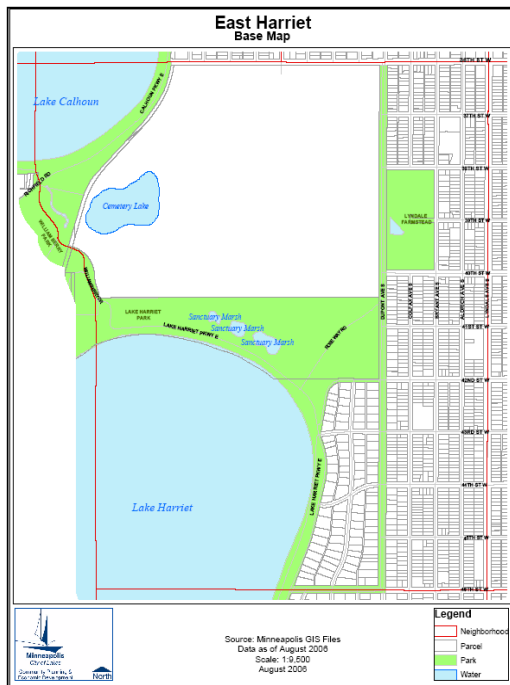


# Minneapolis Police Department 2010 Neighborhood Policing Plan *East Harriet Farmstead Neighborhood*

## Introduction:

The East Harriet Farmstead Neighborhood is in the Minneapolis Police Department's Fifth Precinct.

## Neighborhood Map:



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## Overview:

The East Harriet Farmstead Neighborhood is located in southwest portion of Minneapolis. It takes its name from Lake Harriet, which Fort Snelling builder, Col. Henry Leavenworth, named after his wife in 1819. The neighborhood is bordered by 36<sup>th</sup> Street on the north and 46<sup>th</sup> Street to the south. Lyndale Avenue is the eastern boundary; Lake Harriet and Lakewood Cemetery largely make up the western border of the neighborhood. In addition to these Minneapolis landmarks, the Lyndale Park Rose Garden and the Thomas Sadler Roberts Bird Sanctuary are located within East Harriet. Many houses in the neighborhood are two-story homes, set back from the streets.

## Crime Statistics 2009:

East Harriet Farmstead Neighborhood had a 15% decrease in overall Part 1 crimes in 2009. Robbery was down 75%, Aggravated Assault was down 50%, Burglary was down 36%, Theft was up 22%, and Auto Theft was down 58%.

## Focus for 2010:

- The Focus for 2010 will be to continue the Burglary reduction trends, and monitoring of where Burglaries occur within the neighborhood.
- And, we will focus on Theft From Motor Vehicle reduction.

## Neighborhood Concerns for 2010:

The concerns expressed by community members include;

- Burglary issues, especially in watching certain areas of the neighborhood
- Theft from motor vehicle problems
- Vehicle traffic speeding, running stop signs, particularly at 43<sup>rd</sup> St and Bryant Av S, near the school.

## 2010 Policing Strategy;

The Minneapolis Police Department has two citywide goals: reduce crime and improve the relationship with the community it serves. In the East Harriet Farmstead neighborhood, we will be focusing on two specific crime reduction strategies:

1. Continuing to Reduce Burglaries. Strategies include continued patrols, conducting additional premise surveys and home safety workshops and educating the community about target hardening.
2. Reducing Theft from Motor Vehicles.

The MPD will also engage in two projects to increase the relationship with the community:

1. Explore ways to enhance and increase communication with people in the neighborhood via different venues, i.e. SAFE e-list (web-based technology designed to facilitate stronger communication and information sharing), the community

newspaper, and attendance at monthly neighborhood meetings, block club meetings and other neighborhood events identified.

2. Partner with the Neighborhood organization and block leaders. The MPD will provide statistics and education about crimes. East Harriet Community Representatives will go to each block where a burglary occurs and make personal contact.

## 2010 Neighborhood Engagement:

While the Minneapolis Police Department has committed to a number of steps to improve policing service in East Harriet Farmstead Neighborhood, policing is a shared community concern – residents and businesses need to be part of that response and effort. The collaboration of MPD and Residents, through the East Harriet Farmstead Neighborhood Association, have committed to the following:

1. Organizing a communications plan to increase community awareness of activity and individuals in the neighborhood; Encourage residents to lock doors and windows, use of premise surveys, and other activities to reduce burglary incidence.
2. Participating fully in community efforts, being involved with the sector e-list, building and sustaining block clubs, participation in the community monthly meetings, volunteer for Court Watch, and encourage businesses to be involved in the Nicollet – East Harriet Business Association.

## 2010 Performance Measures:

The East Harriet Farmstead Neighborhood will use the following criteria to measure success:

1. Reduce Burglary by 2%
2. Reduce Theft by 5%

## East Harriet Farmstead Neighborhood – 2009 Neighborhood Plan Results

### Crime Statistics 2008:

East Harriet Farmstead Neighborhood had 0% increase/decrease in overall Part 1 crimes in 2008. They had a 100% increase in Robberies, 4 in 2008 vs 2 in 2007. They had a 100% increase in Aggravated Assaults, 4 in 2008 vs 2 in 2007. They also had an increase in Burglary of 33%, 53 in 2008 vs 40 in 2007. Auto Theft and Theft were even or down in the neighborhood.

## Focus for 2009:

- The Focus for 2008 will be burglary reduction – **MET, BURGLARY DOWN 36%**
- The second focus will be Theft From Motor Vehicle reduction – **DID NOT MEET, THEFT UP 22%**

## Neighborhood Concerns for 2009:

The concerns expressed by community members include;

- Burglary issues
- Theft from motor vehicle problems
- Problems in the area of the Rose Garden with “cruising”
- Vehicle traffic speeding, running stop signs, particularly at 46<sup>th</sup> St and Bryant Av S

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4. Reducing Theft from Motor Vehicles.

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3. Explore ways to enhance and increase communication with people in the neighborhood via different venues, i.e. SAFE e-list (web-based technology designed to facilitate stronger communication and information sharing), the community newspaper, and attendance at monthly neighborhood meetings, block club meetings and other neighborhood events identified.
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1. Reduce Burglary by 5% - **MET, BURGLARY DOWN 36%**
2. Reduce Theft by 2% - **DID NOT MEET, THEFT UP 22%; will remain a focus in 2010.**

[End of 2010 Neighborhood Plan; Results for 2009 Plan](#)