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### Relationships vs. Isolation

Relationships will make or break your life . . . your goals.

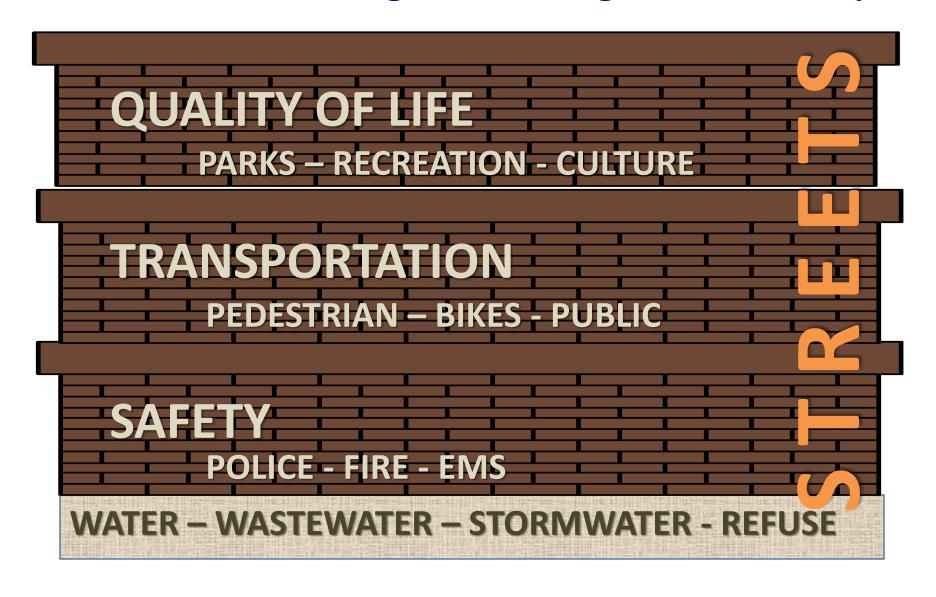
If you want to go fast, go by yourself, but if you want to go far, go with others.

The thought is we are more connected than ever due to technology; however maybe we are not.

# CITY vs. COMMUNITY

### What is Real Community?

What are the building blocks of a good community?



# Community's Quality of Life



**Schools** 



**Neighborhoods** 



**Churches** 



Health Care



**Parks** 



Proximity to Larger city



Shopping/ Dining

### What <u>HINDERS</u> Sense of Community?

- Isolation
- Citizen Apathy
- Lack of Gathering Space



#### Neighbors who know each other, look out for each other.

93%

say it's important for neighbors to look out for one another. Over 67% of homeowners feel safer when they know their neighbors.



35%

of people who know their neighbors reported that they've shared information with them about crime & safety. 79% of people that use an online neighborhood forum talk with their neighbors at least once a month in-person.





Neighborhood Associations

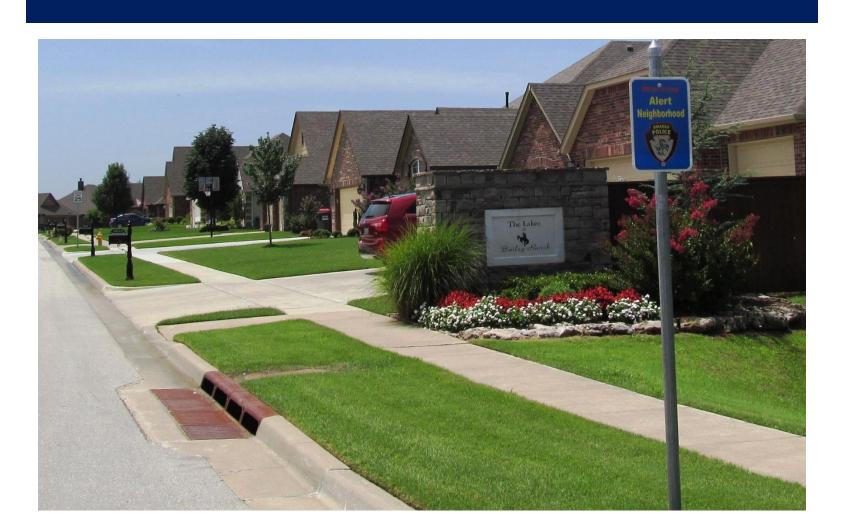




Community Groups Or Organizations

Building Relationships Today For Stronger Neighborhoods Tomorrow and A Better Community For ALL

## Commitment to protect the investments residents and businesses have made in Community



### What could you do to build Community Sense of Community?

- Neighborhood Partnerships
- Neighborhood Alert Program
- Sign Topper Program
- Neighborhood Leadership Conference
- Neighborhood Block Party
- Volunteer Projects
- Keep Your Town Clean

#### **Community Day of Service Projects**

Volunteers cleaning out drainage area



**Volunteers planting – park area** 



Volunteers cleaning along neighborhood pond



Volunteers cleaning green space



### Affiliation with Keep Oklahoma Beautiful

- Grants to support your programs
- Supplies & Resources to meet project needs
- Training & Education at Workshops
- Networking Opportunities
- State-wide awards and recognition
- Encourage volunteer efforts to keep our state beautiful and sustainable



#### Questions



### Thank you!

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