

HEATHERINGTON

NEIGHBOURHOOD REVITALIZATION STRATEGY

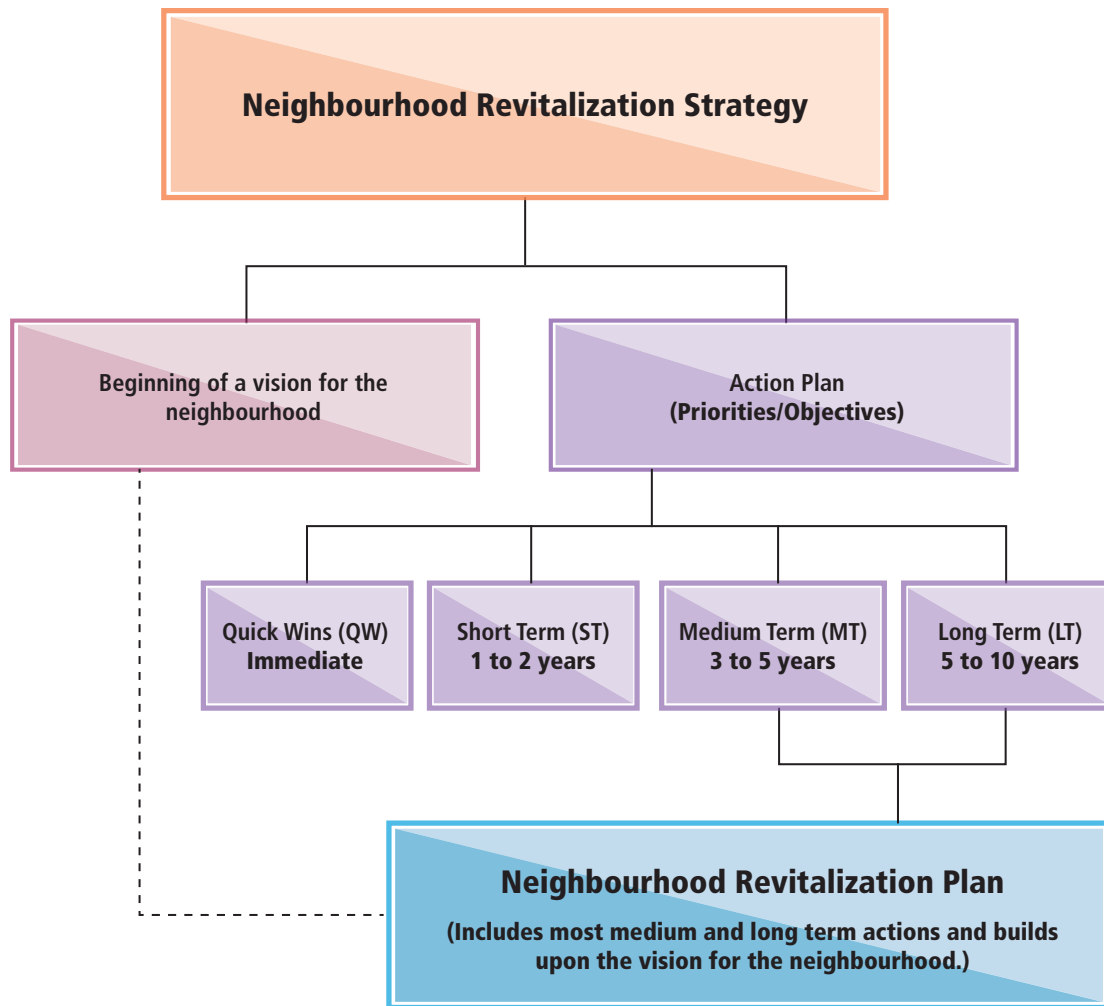


EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Building Better Revitalized Neighbourhoods (BBRN) is a Strategic Initiative of Council that began in 2015. The objective of BBRN is to improve the health, vibrancy and liveability of priority neighbourhoods in Ottawa. The initiative is focused on revitalization through new and existing program and service initiatives, infrastructure projects as well as redevelopment. BBRN will help these communities continue to grow as a place where children, youth and adults can meet their everyday needs, participate in community life and succeed.

As the process of the Neighbourhood Revitalization Strategy has developed, so too has the concept of an Action Plan and the different elements that make up an Action Plan. An Action Plan is divided into short, medium and long-term initiatives, each with their own objectives.

The short term initiatives include quick wins, those actions that can be done immediately or in the foreseeable future (1-2 years). Medium term initiatives can be satisfied within 3 to 5 years and long term initiatives are ones that are complex and take more time to study and plan for (5 to 10 years).



ACTION PLAN

STRATEGIC OPPORTUNITIES

- Host a Design Charrette to build upon the vision for the neighbourhood and begin the Master Planning process in partnership with landowners ST
- Assemble a cross-departmental team for 1770 Heatherington Road ST MT
- Assist in making connections for residents with the programs and services in their area QW
- Remove barriers from establishing new Community Hubs ST

INFRASTRUCTURE

- Complete a feasibility study to enhance the planned road resurfacing of Heatherington Road (2020) with complete street design elements MT
- Provide Safer Roads Ottawa programming throughout the neighbourhood and during community events QW ST
- Enhance planned improvements to Heatherington Park ST
- Plant additional trees in Fairlea Park and add more garbage cans ST
- Establish new urban parkland sites ST MT LT
- Partner with local service providers to create an outdoor mural for 1770 Heatherington Road QW ST
- Upgrade the existing basketball court in Fairlea Park ST
- Partner with Ottawa Community Housing to provide fencing around the basketball court in Albion-Heatherington community ST

ACTION PLAN

PROGRAMS AND SERVICES

- Provide a Play Box at the Albion-Heatherington Recreation Centre ST
- Provide paint for stenciling and partner with Healthy Kids Community Challenge at the Albion-Heatherington Recreation Centre ST
- Partner with the Healthy Kids Community Challenge program to provide a garden tower at the Albion-Heatherington Recreation Centre QW
- Partner with Ottawa Community Housing (OCH) residents on a Capital Community Funding project QW
- Provide Safer Roads Ottawa programming throughout the neighbourhood and during community events QW ST
- Support new partnerships with the Ottawa Public Library (Alta Vista Branch) to provide additional programming at the Albion-Heatherington Recreation Centre and at other partner locations in the neighbourhood QW ST MT
- That the Albion-Heatherington Recreation Centre be considered as a future location for the Bookmobile program MT LT
- Establish new urban parkland sites ST MT LT
- Partner with a community agency to provide space for a Youth Drop-in at the Albion-Heatherington Recreation Centre or within the Heatherington neighbourhood ST MT
- Partner and provide support the Boys and Girls Club to pursue funding at the provincial level to continue to provide youth programming at the Ridgemont Clubhouse for 2018 ST
- Provide free WiFi in the Albion-Heatherington Recreation Centre ST
- Invest in the City's Youth Summer Job Connect Program for resident youth in the neighbourhood ST
- Provide additional programs at the Albion-Heatherington Recreation Centre for women only ST
- Partner with Somali Centre for Family Services (SCFS) to provide newcomer and immigrant services in the Heatherington neighbourhood ST

NEIGHBOURHOOD REVITALIZATION PLAN

INFRASTRUCTURE PRIORITIES

- Determine feasibility of a Youth Centre
- Street network analysis to improve neighbourhood connectivity
- Improve access to a pool and explore new partnerships
- Walkley Commercial Corridor
 - » Identify opportunities to support the local businesses
 - » Develop a Master Plan
 - » Develop comprehensive Urban Design Principles

PROGRAMS AND SERVICES PRIORITIES

- Encourage local businesses to hire residents from the neighbourhood
- Employment and Support Service Alignment
- Determine feasibility of a Youth Centre
- Improve access to mental health services (after hours)
- Explore new opportunities to provide free programs for children