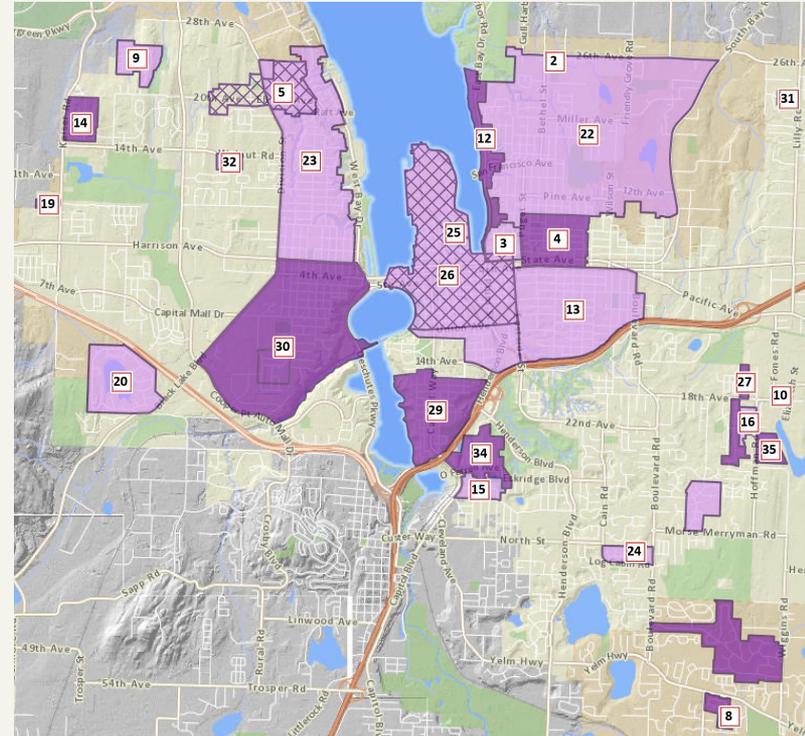


Council of Neighborhood Associations (CNA)



About the CNA

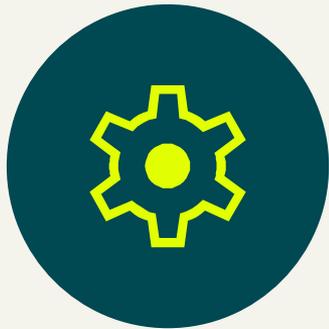
- CNA represents Oly's recognized neighborhood associations (RNAs)
- The mission of the CNA is to promote and enhance the quality of life in our neighborhoods by providing a forum to collaborate to achieve common goals.
- CNA held a forum at City Hall to generate ideas for the Neighborhood Matching Grant (NMG) program on January 24th





Outreach

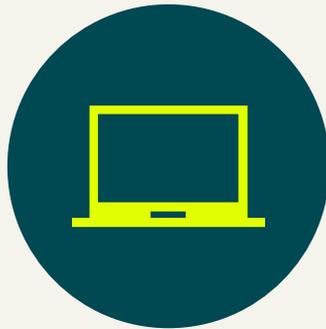
Outreach efforts



Flyers

Printed over 200+ flyers

“Flyered” neighborhoods



Email

CNA email list
Other distro lists



Social Media

Instagram
Reddit
Facebook



Word of mouth

One of the most important methods

Survey results

Top responses

1. Food Access & Basic Needs

(Community gardens, food forests, community fridges, free food pantries, etc.)

2. Emergency Preparedness & Community Resilience

(Trainings, preparedness supplies, planning, coordination, etc.)

3. Affordability & Access

(Housing, transportation, services, support for seniors, disabled, and unhoused neighbors, etc.)

4. Safety & Livability

(Sidewalks, bike and pedestrian safety, traffic calming, lighting, etc.)

5. Mutual Aid & Shared Resources

(Tool/lending libraries, repair cafes, supply closets, mutual aid networks, etc.)

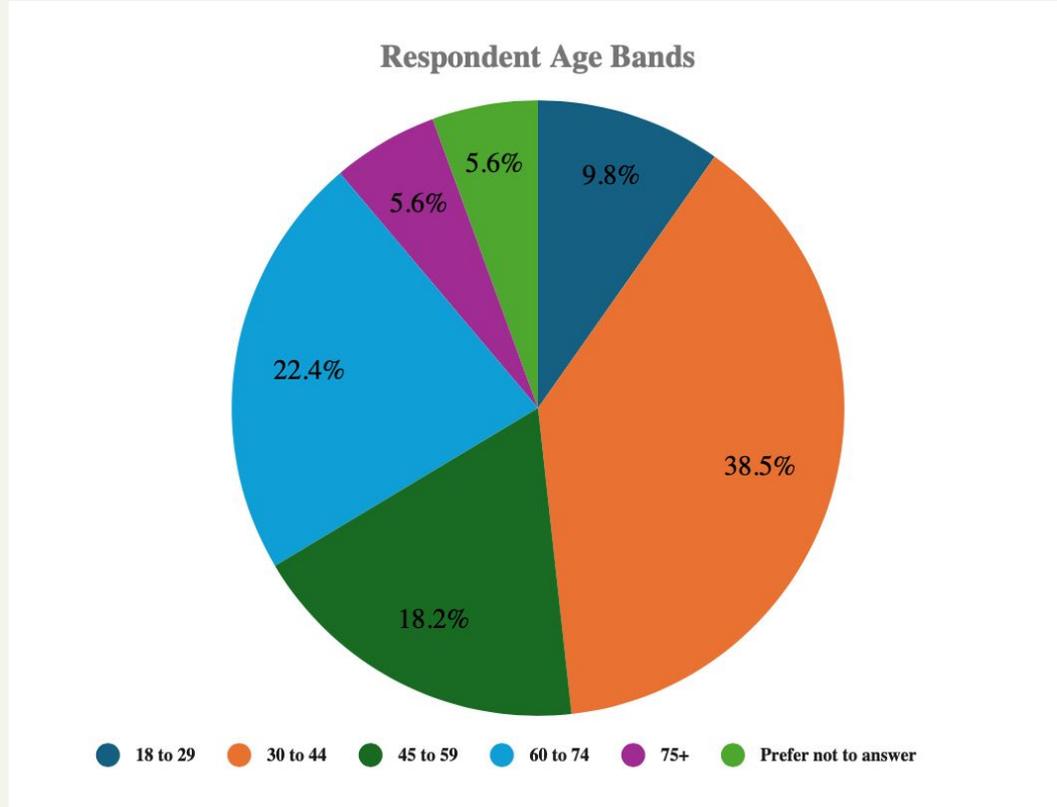
6. Community Connection & Belonging

(Events, meeting neighbors, community spaces, cross-neighborhood connection, etc.)

7. Other

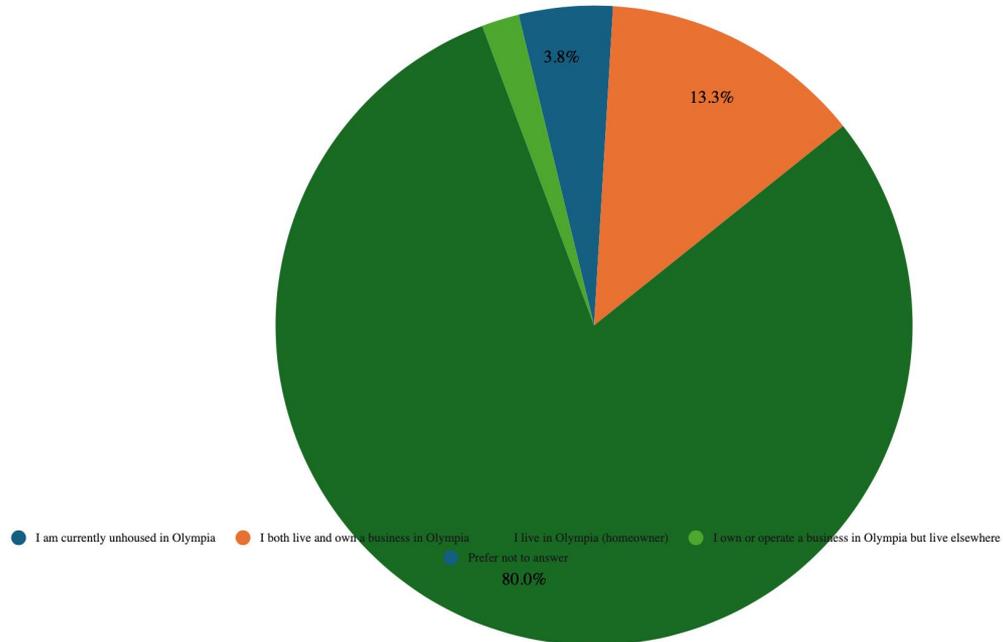
(Priorities not captured by the listed categories; respondents were asked to elaborate)

Demographics



Demographics

Connection to Olympia



Neighborhood patterns

Safety & Livability rankings were concentrated in neighborhoods with known sidewalk, crossing, and traffic safety gaps.

Food Access and Affordability were more frequently top priorities in denser neighborhoods and areas near downtown or service corridors.

Emergency Preparedness appeared consistently across neighborhoods, indicating a broadly shared citywide concern.

**How neighborhoods
are using this info**

Project applications

Bigelow (BNA)

Bigelow Highlands (BHNA)

Eastside

Downtown (DNA)

North East (NENA)

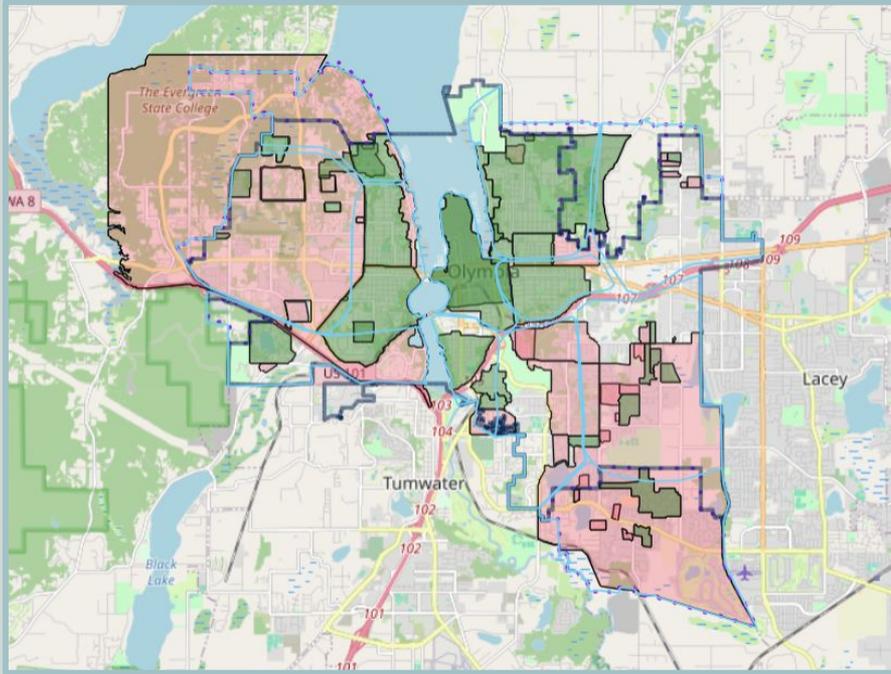
SouthWest (SWONA)

- Annual picnic
- Block parties
- Music on the porch fest
- Walking map idea
- Mailer
- Emergency preparedness zine
- Garden boxes
- Printing paper / toner

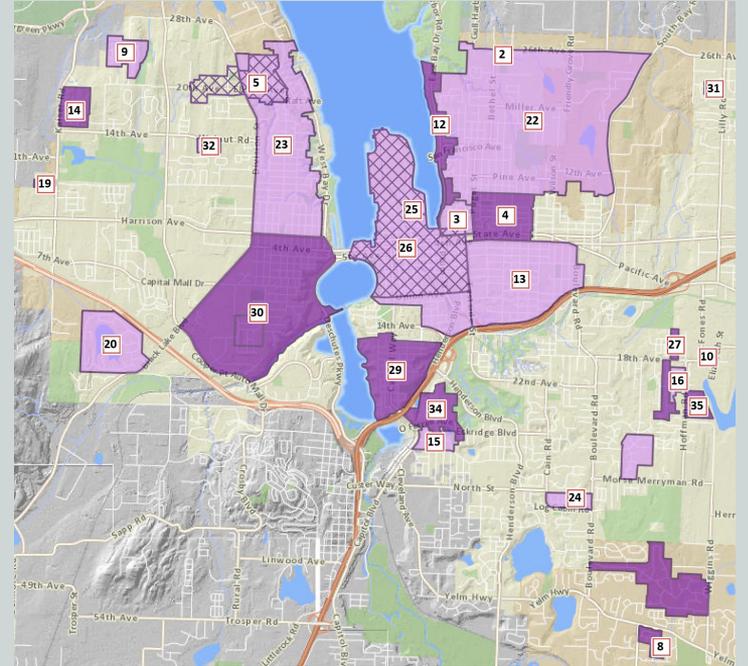
Next

- **More forums!**
 - Sidewalks
 - Food system plan
 - Seeking input from neighborhoods
- **2026 NMG applications**
- **City-wide representation in CNA**

CNAs: Then vs Now



1990s / early 2000s



2026

