

2020 Work Plan for Community Relations Commission

2020 Initiatives

ENABLING LANGUAGE	PROJECT	OUTCOMES	TIMEFRAME	COST (if any)
“to develop improved intergroup relations”	Dinner and Dialogue Project	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • CRC to host special dinner meetings to bring community groups and involved individuals together to discuss community issues around the issues of race, diversity, and equity • Host D & Ds for targeted sub-groups as opportunities allow 	Ongoing	\$3,500
“to develop improved intergroup relations”	CRC presence at Oak Park events that align with CRC mission and goals	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Host a booth at the Day in Our Village festival • March in the 4th of July and Multicultural parades • Represent the CRC at other Oak Park events that align with the CRC mission and goals • Increase public awareness about the work of the CRC and encourage participation in CRC programming 	Ongoing	\$3,000
“to secure equal furnishing of services to residents”	Promote the adoption of a Village-wide resolution to govern for Racial Equity and support the implementation of same	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Adoption of a Village resolution on Racial Equity • Governance and delivery of services in a racially equitable manner 	Ongoing	
“works to ensure good human, race and community relations and reduce tensions”	Relationship building with other Oak Park institutions and elected officials	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Build relationships with other Oak Park entities and elected officials to develop village-wide strategies to address inequities 	Ongoing	

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“works to ensure good human, race and community relations and reduce tensions”	Conduct forums for public education and awareness regarding community issues related to diversity, equity, inclusions, and governmental services	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Bring community members together to understand and discuss community issues related to diversity and equity • Host issue forum a and/or other relevant governmental services-based topics 	Ongoing	\$1,000
“works to ensure good human, race and community relations and reduce tensions”	Partner with groups presenting community programming involving issues related to diversity, equity, and community services	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Share the resources of the Village with other groups currently providing such programming (Race Conscious Dialogues, community events related to the CRC mission, intersection of village services with issues of education equity, etc.) • Engage Oak Park equity groups in governing for racial equity work • Participate in cross-community activities with neighboring communities • Increase public awareness about the work of the CRC 	Ongoing	\$2,000 (grant program)
“works to ensure good human, race and community relations and reduce tensions”	Continue to research, plan activities, and make recommendations related to the promotion of diversity and inclusion in the Village	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Promote diversity and inclusion in the Village 	Ongoing	
“works to ensure good human, race and community relations and reduce tensions”	Develop and implement a communications plan for the CRC	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Increase public engagement in the work of the CRC and the village’s work to advance racial equity 	Ongoing	

2019- Accomplishments/Status

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“to develop improved intergroup relations”	Dinner & Dialogue	Conducted thirteen dinners bringing residents together to discuss diversity, inclusion and race relations issues. Partnered with Dominican University in a collaborative dinner event on race.	January-December 2019	\$2,551.39
AND	Fourth of July Parade	Hosted and organized Fourth of July Parade, in coordination with Community Relations Department.	July 4, 2019	\$930
“works to ensure good human, race and community relations and reduce tensions”	Public Educational Forums	N/A	Throughout the year	n/a
	Day in Our Village of Oak Park	Increased participation at Festival by outside community groups	June 3, 2019	\$230
“to secure equal furnishing of services to residents”	Governing for Racial Equity	CRC members and staff attended training on racial equity in Hazelcrest, Il sponsored by National League of Cities. Outreach has been conducted by Village staff to other municipalities who use these practices to learn about their experiences.	February-April 2019	n/a
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“works to ensure good human, race	Conduct forums for public education and awareness regarding community issues related	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Bring community members together to understand and discuss community issues related to diversity and equity • Host a Trustee candidate forum, a 	Ongoing	\$152.20

and community relations and reduce tensions”	to diversity, equity, and governmental services	Police Chief Forum, and/or other relevant governmental services-based topics		
	Partner with groups presenting community programming involving issues related to diversity, equity, and community services	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Share the resources of the Village with other groups currently providing such programming (Race Conscious Dialogues, community events related to the CRC mission, intersection of village services with issues of education equity, etc.) • Engage Oak Park equity groups in governing for racial equity work • Participate in cross-community activities with neighboring communities • Increase public awareness about the work of the CRC 	Ongoing	\$1500
	Continue to research, plan activities, and make recommendations related to the promotion of diversity and inclusion in the Village	Promote diversity and inclusion in the Village	Ongoing	