

LICI Community Newsletter Special Edition

LICI New Leadership Hosted a Forum:

Moving Our Community Forward

On December 27, 2013, the newly elected officers of LICI invited the Liberian community to a forum and celebration of the new vision for LICI.

As part of the administration's efforts to increase membership and promote active participation, we hosted a *forty minute* session engaging the community and asking for suggestions on how we can better serve them. Responses were fascinating! All the feedback we received made us all realized that this community is ready to move forward. Topics included but were not limited to social issues, uniting the community, distributing messages and announcements to the community and much more.

The Suggestions

- LICI must encourage active participation from community members by delegating tasks and assign projects to members and sub organizations within the community.
- Members of the Liberian community need to unite.
- Set-up a Platform where community members can make and fulfill pledges to community projects and small Business Lending.
- Create a resource center for informational purposes.

We are currently recruiting volunteers to compose and manage the community monthly newsletter. Interested candidate can call 614-743-7087

- LICI should make personal visits to churches to distribute announcements and minimize the frequency of the telephone system messaging.
- Select a team of community members living in different sectors of the city to make visits and collect membership dues from those who do not have the ability to pay online.
- Create a directory of Liberian businesses distributed to the community.
- Keep resources within our community by creating employment opportunities to our elderly through providing childcare services.
- Homework Club & College prep. for K-12 graders.
- Career development to match youth with professionals within our community (Annual Career Fair)
- Integrate all our social and educational plans to make a better impact.
- Community Monthly newsletters
- Create a suggestion box for ongoing improvements.

Message from the President

We wish you and yours a Happy and Prosperous New Year. May you achieve your personal goals and May God Bless you abundantly.

As a Community, we continue to pledge our service and to focus on those things that will make our Community better for all of us. A better community results from the active participation of all of its members. We, therefore, urge your active participation. Your ideas and suggestions are welcome.

In the coming months we will begin to unfold the plans in our platform and continuously engage you. We have been informed that the forum last Friday, December 27, 2013, was a welcome change. We will continue to host them.

May God Bless each of us. HA PPY NEW YEAR!

Community Officials





LICI wishes to announce its 2014 Community Census. We are requesting a full community participation in this enormous task, the first of its kind. Be assured that Information disclosed is strictly confidential and will not be distributed or sold to a third party.

The goal of this administration is to move our community forward through social and economic projects. In so doing, we have to analyze our needs in terms of the total count of active and inactive Liberians in Columbus, Age Group, Educational Status, Economic status, Disability and more.