



South Wilmington PLANNING NETWORK

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Ms. Diane Laird
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Treasure of the Southbridge Civic
Association

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Veronica Oliver,
Executive Director
Neighborhood House

Dear Ms. Laird:

Rosa Rivera, CEO
Henrietta Johnson Medical Center

On behalf of the South Wilmington Planning Network, I would like to acknowledge our strong support for Southbridge's Main Street Affiliate Program application. Our Network is comprised of over 40 public, nonprofit, and private agencies that work together to improve quality of life in South Wilmington.

Charles A. Madden
Executive Director
Wilmington HOPE Commission

Economic Development has long been at the forefront of our coalition's goals. We view the New Castle Avenue/Heald Street at A Street area as the neighborhood's core, with a tremendous opportunity for beautification, commercial redevelopment and expansion. There is today a palpable need for existing businesses in Southbridge to work together in order to strengthen and flourish, and to encourage new business ventures to take root. The Affiliate Program is a great first step to help business owners themselves learn the tools to accomplish this.

Dr. Milton Delgado,
Nemours Health and Prevention
Services

Our Network's Environmental, Workforce and Economic Development Action Committee will serve as the Affiliate Program's steering committee, and will work closely with Mr. Robinson each month to realize the Program's objectives.

Membership:

AIDS DE
Brandywine Counseling and
Community Services
Bridge-To-Employment Program
Children and Families First
Christiana Care Center for
Community Health
City of Wilmington Parks and
Recreation
Clean Air Council
Delaware Center for Horticulture
Delaware Children's Museum
Delaware Nature Society
Department of Natural Resources
and Environmental Control
Eastside Community Schools
Elbert Palmer Elementary School
Ezion Fair Baptist Church
First State Community Loan Fund
Habitat for Humanity
King Center
Learning Link of Delaware
Mt. Joy Church
New Calvary Baptist Church
NOR Enterprises
One Village Alliance
Urban Promise
Westside Family Healthcare
Wilmington Housing Authority Youth
Academy

Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any questions or concerns. I can be reached at:
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Sincerely,

William Swiatek
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