

# SOURCE's Partner of the Month – August 2014

**Name of Organization:** Banner Neighborhoods

**Mission:** “to promote resident-based leadership, neighborhood pride and stability, and provide direct services that contribute to the overall viability throughout 10 communities in southeast Baltimore”

**Programs and Services:** 4 distinct programs:

-Senior home maintenance program: semi-annual home inspections, small home repairs and ongoing routine maintenance services for low-income elderly and disabled homeowners

-Youth programs: engaging youth in positive activities (i.e. art and sports)

-Growing green, running blue: helping in community gardens, supporting the transformation of vacant lots and planting trees and then linking these efforts to keeping the harbor and Chesapeake Bay clean.

-Community empowerment: providing opportunities for residents to make their neighborhood a better place to live

**Inspiration:** The vision of the communities that they work with

**Greatest Asset:** Staff and volunteers

**Biggest Challenge:** Funding

**Involvement Opportunities:**

-Involvement in the youth programs to do homework and reading help, art and sports.

- New teen initiative which will focus on healthy lifestyle choices specifically targeting sex and early parenthood has many opportunities for involvement

-There are always opportunities for one time community beautification projects as well

-Always open to people bringing new ideas to them!



**BANNER NEIGHBORHOODS**

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