

Neighborhood Housing Office

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Mission Statement

- The Neighborhood Housing Office (NHO) strives to provide direct outreach and advising to help students find **quality off-campus housing** and roommates through **education, referral, and support**. We promote **healthy living and civic responsibility** to connect students with UW-Milwaukee and the surrounding neighborhoods.

Got questions about renting? We've got answers!

UWM's official off-campus living resource center!



UWM Neighborhood Housing Office

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Learning Outcomes

- Explore the neighborhood surrounding UWM
- Gain knowledge of tenant rights and responsibilities
- Be able to identify resources available to them as student tenants
- Understand what it means to be a good neighbor and community member
- Feel a sense of belonging and responsibility to their neighborhood and community
- Be provided with current and relevant information regarding off-campus living and parking
- Receive access to the exclusive NHO listing service

Who We Are and Who We Serve

- 5 student staff
- 1 professional staff
- 1000+ individual students per year
- Landlords
- Neighbors and Community Members

Programs and Initiatives

○ Episodic Programming

- UNITE
- Neighborhood Clean-Up (Make a Difference Day)
- Preferred Tenant Program
- NHO Week
- Community Scavenger Hunt
- Grocery Store Sweep
- Annual Housing Fair
- Dump & Run

○ Ongoing Initiatives:

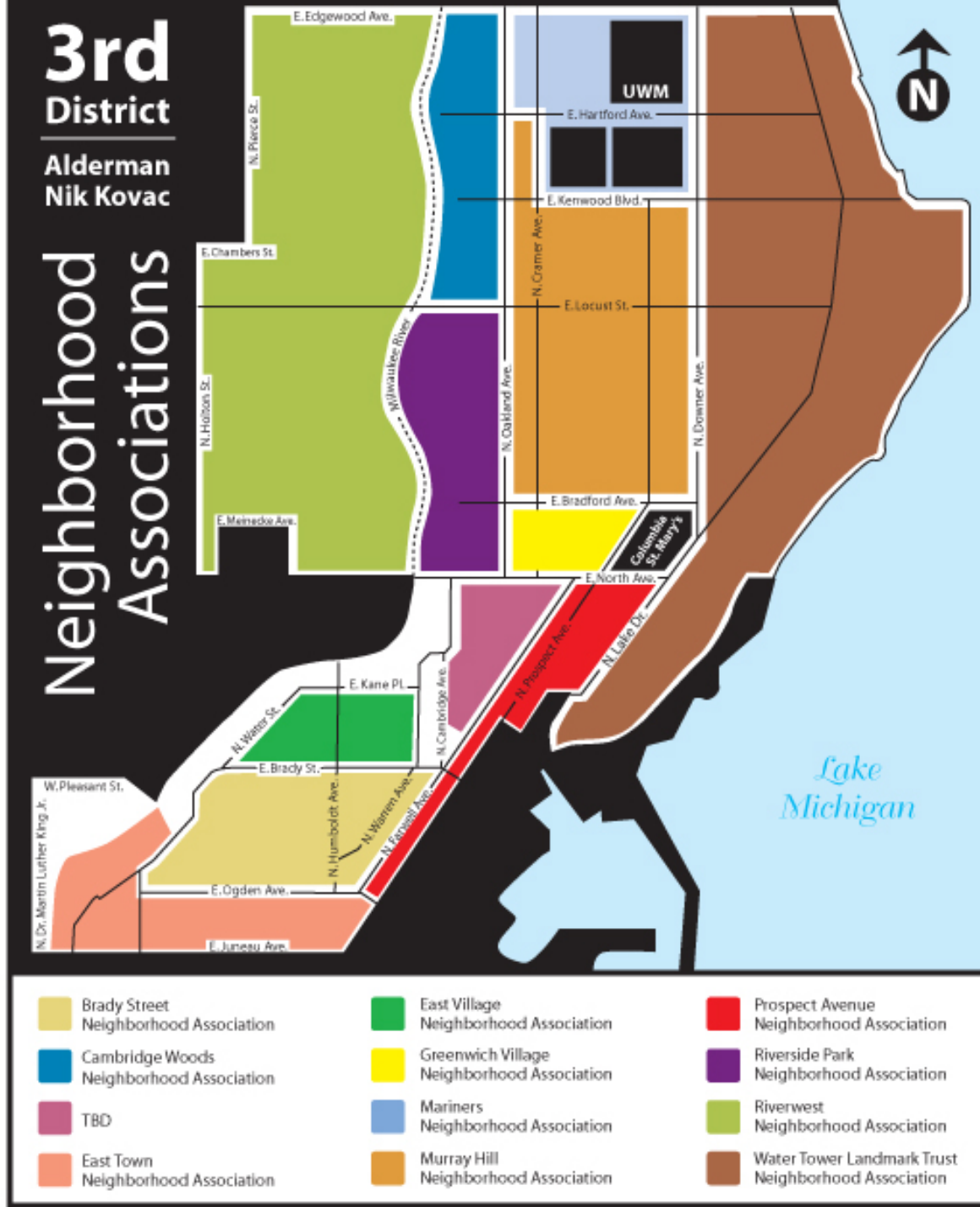
- Good Neighbor Program
- Panther Neighborhood Watch Pledge
- Monthly Student E-Newsletter
- Website
- Listing Service
- Social Media
- Walk-In Student Advising
- Referrals to Legal Clinic

Neighborhood Associations

Roughly 1,000 Students in the 53211 Zip Code

○ Neighborhoods Closest to Campus:

- Riverwest
- Mariners
- Cambridge Woods
- Historic Water Tower
- Murray Hill
- Shorewood



Common Topics That Impact Our Students

- **Predatory Landlords**

- Eviction

- **Best time to start rental search**

- 2-3 months in advance of anticipated move-in date

- **City of Milwaukee Occupancy Ordinance**

- No more than 3 unrelated people living together in a rental unit
- Rooming Housing License
- Risk of Eviction

- **MPD Grant Initiative**

- Increased police presence during grant period

- **Knock and Talks**

- Department of Neighborhood Services/Milwaukee Police Department

- **NHO Student Staff Off-Campus Follow-Ups**

- Peer to Peer Resource
- Provide resources and information on rental rights and responsibilities
- Most common follow-up topics:
 - Noise
 - Snow Removal

- **International Students**

- Not a protected class
- Can be asked to submit proof of income
- Can be subject to double security deposit

Neighborhood Housing: Online!

- <http://uwm.edu/neighborhoodhousing/>
- Listing Service
 - Landlords required to complete City of Milwaukee Landlord Training Course
 - All properties and landlords undergo property and background checks
- Community Events Calendar

Neighborhood Relations

- 1 point of contact for all UWM-related community concerns
- Neighborhood-relations@uwm.edu
- Direct concerns to appropriate parties
- Deliver updates to community members
 - MENA
 - Neighborhood Associations
- Attend Neighborhood Association/community meetings by invitation

We're Hiring!

- Building team for next fall
- Work-study preferred
- 10-20 hours per week
- \$10 per hour
- Direct students to NHO Website:
 - uwm.edu/neighborhoodhousing

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