



DEPARTMENT OF NEIGHBORHOOD SERVICES

LAST CHANCE CAMPAIGN: FACT SHEET

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Synopsis:

1. This initiative is an aggressive component of the Mayor’s Strategic Neighborhood Initiative (SNI) efforts. The campaign entails posting signs in front of city properties that do not meet code specifications. The sign reveals the name and contact information of the negligent property owner. The purpose of the campaign is to ultimately enhance neighborhoods until they become “Neighborhoods of Choice.”
2. Common code violations that are enforced include:
 - *storing items such as indoor furniture, appliances, tires, and boxes on your porch and yard
 - *Having inoperable vehicles or dismantled vehicles on your property
 - *Having overgrown grass or vegetation over 10 inches high
 - *Neglecting the exterior of your house
 - *Putting brush and garbage out in violation of the scheduled pick-up date (Call 311 for schedules)
 - *Putting large household items out for pick-up by City without calling to schedule a pick-up date (again, 311)
3. After the violator has exhausted the notification process (notice is given, cited to environmental court, fined) then the Last Chance effort is applied to the case. A sign will be posted in their yard with their name and address stating that they are in violation of City Code. The sign will stay posted until the property comes into compliance.

Notice Process:

- *Criteria- Properties that have been in the DNS system for 2-10 years are put on the list. This includes properties that have been in and out of Environmental Court because of property owners repeated disregard of established residential city code.*

1. A property is put on the list
2. A letter (Last Chance Notification) is sent to the property owner
3. The property owner has 10 days from mailing to respond

