Neighborhood Vacancy Initiative:
The First Ten Months By The Numbers
by Peter Hoffman, Staff Attorney
NVI: Case Types

**Organizational Assistance:** Assist community groups (neighborhood associations and small community development organizations) with legal organization (incorporation, tax exemption, bylaws, etc.).

**Vacancy Prevention and Title Clearance.** Help low-income residents with title issues / assist homeowners prevent vacancy & protect family wealth through transfer on death deeds.

**Problem Property Litigation.** File lawsuits on behalf of community groups to compel the owners of vacant, run-down properties to sell, repair, or gain legal control of the property so repairs can be made.
Organizational Assistance

Serving Organizational Needs of Nonprofits Operating in 8 Neighborhoods. West End, Kingsway West, Lewis Place, Marine Villa, Mark Twain, North Pointe, Baden and JeffVanderLou.

Pro Bono Partners. Saint Louis University School of Law’s Entrepreneurship and Community Development Clinic, The Community Association Lawyers, and Lashly & Baer, P.C.,
Vacancy Prevention and Title Clearance

47 Individual Clients.

21 Neighborhoods. Academy, Baden, Bevo Mill, Carondelet, College Hill, Dutchtown, Greater Ville, Holly Hills, Hyde Park, Jeff Vanderlou, Kingsway East, Marine Villa, North Pointe, Princeton Heights, South Hampton, Southwest Garden, St. Louis Place, Tower Grove East, Vandeventer, Walnut Park East, West End.

14 Wards. Wards 3, 4, 8, 11, 12, 13, 14, 16, 18, 20, 21, 25, 26, 27.


Pro Bono Partners. True Title, Banjak & Associates, Stinson Leonard Street, Thompson Coburn LLP, the Bar Association of Metropolitan St. Louis (BAMSL)

NEIGHBORHOOD PARTNERS NEEDED FOR THREE BENEFICIARY DEED CLINICS IN 2019 (MAY, JULY, SEPTEMBER)!
Problem Property Litigation

20 Problem Property Cases (Addresses) Opened.

On Behalf of 6 Different Neighborhoods.

8 Lawsuits Filed on Behalf of Four Neighborhoods.

• 5 Donations (Completed or Pending).

• 2 Default Settings.

• 1 Property Voluntarily Rehabbed by Owner.

QUALITY REHAB PARTNERS NEEDED!
Neighborhood Vacancy Initiative

Other Statistics:
- 75 Total Cases
- Over 1100 Hours of Pro Bono & Student Involvement
- Over 150 Community Outreach Events

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