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## The Stuart Historic Neighborhood is an Imagine Kalamazoo 2035 Partner

Learn what this means for the neighborhood and how you can help shape the future of Kalamazoo.

The City of Kalamazoo invited the Stuart Historic Neighborhood Association (SHNA) to be a partner of **Imagine Kalamazoo 2035 (IK2035)**. As an IK2035 partner, we will be a part of creating and implementing the City's Strategic Vision and Master Plan through 2035. Being a IK2035 partner is an approximate 18 month commitment for SHNA. The entire process is divided into five phases - Imagine IT, Plan IT, Design IT, Draft IT, and Adopt IT - with estimated timelines in the figure below.



As a IK2035 Partner, SHNA has committed to the following:

**1) Representing the neighborhood in bi-monthly IK2035 partner meetings with the City.** One or more SHNA Board Members will be attending each of these scheduled meetings.

**2) Keeping the neighborhood informed on IK2035 news, activities, and events.** This information will be shared primarily in Facebook and Instagram posts as well as our monthly newsletters.

**3) Hosting IK2035 Meetings on the Go.** SHNA plans on scheduling meetings with Stuart residents and businesses as well as with students of Woodward School to have conversations about the future of Kalamazoo. The ideas and feedback generated from these meetings will be shared directly with the City of Kalamazoo.

PHASE	TIMELINE (estimated)
Imagine IT	Aug 2024 to Dec 2024
Plan IT	Nov 2024 to Mar 2025
Design IT	May 2025 to Aug 2025
Draft IT	Aug 2025 to Nov 2025
Adopt IT	Dec 2025 to Mar 2026

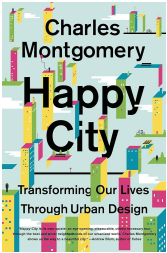
The City is committed to engaging as many voices from across Kalamazoo into IK2035 and the **SHNA is committed to making sure the voices of Stuart are heard.**



# Three Ways You Can Shape the Future of Kalamazoo

- 1 Read a Book
- 2 Fill Out a Survey
- 3 Participate in a Meeting on the Go

## 1 Read a Book



Go to Kalamazoo Public Library to check out **Happy City** or get your very own copy at a discounted price at This is a Bookstore and join in the fun of reading this book along with many others in Kalamazoo. This is a fascinating book that explores the connections between city planning and human happiness. This is a relevant read for all of us as we embark on being a part of creating and implementing the City of Kalamazoo's Strategic Vision and Master Plan. If you find this book thought-provoking, consider attending one of the **IK Reading Events** hosted by the City or make it the next book that your book club reads! The City has created a **Happy City Toolkit** to guide your book club discussions, in addition, there is a 20-minute **TED Talk** by the author about the book.

### NOVEMBER IK READING EVENT

Wednesday, November 20  
5:30 - 7:00 p.m.  
**Washington Square Library**

Click [here](#) to RSVP.

### DECEMBER IK READING EVENT.

Tuesday, December 10  
6:30 - 8:00 p.m.  
**NACD**

Click [here](#) to RSVP.

## 2 Fill Out a Survey or Two

Provide feedback from the comfort of home by completing one or, if you are really motivated, make it two online surveys administered by the City of Kalamazoo.



### Imagine It! Survey

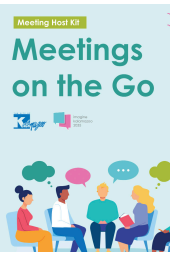
The purpose is to gather your thoughts on what Kalamazoo is doing well and what it needs to focus on to achieve your vision of a happy and healthy city. Think of this survey as doing a solo Meeting on the Go. Click [here](#) to complete.



### Strategic Goal Survey

The purpose is to review the 2025 goals and share your input on what still applies or needs to be changed. Click [here](#) to complete.

### 3 Participate in a Meeting on the Go



The purpose of the IK 2035 **Meetings on the Go** hosted by SHNA are to bring together those who live, work, and go to school in Stuart **to have conversations about the future of Kalamazoo**. Here are a few examples of discussion topics for the Meetings on the Go -

- Kalamazoo's Changes & Challenges
- How Can Kalamazoo Become Happier & Healthier
- Partnerships & Community

SHNA is hosting the following two meetings for residents and businesses at The Stuart House. Depending on the number of participants and their availability, the meetings will be as short as 10 minutes to no longer than 60 minutes in length.

#### NOVEMBER MEETING ON THE GO

**Saturday, November 16**  
12:00 - 1:00 pm

The Stuart House  
530 Douglas Ave.

Click [here](#) to RSVP

#### DECEMBER MEETING ON THE GO

**Thursday, December 12**  
6:00 - 7:00 pm

The Stuart House  
530 Douglas Ave.

Click [here](#) to RSVP

In addition, **we are very excited to be working with Woodward School to hear from the youth of Kalamazoo**. We are planning to host meetings at Woodward School with students in grades 3 - 5 in the month of November. **Just think, in 2035, the 5th graders at Woodward will be 20 years old!**





# The Stuart Calendar of Events

November - December 2024

- Nov 12\*** Board Meeting | 6 - 8 | The Stuart House, 530 Douglas Ave
- Nov 16\*** IK 2035 Meeting on the Go | 12 - 1 | The Stuart House, 530 Douglas Ave
- Nov 20** IK 2035 Reading Event | 5:30 - 7 | Washington Square Library, 1244 Portage St
- Dec 10\*** Board Meeting | 6 - 8 | The Stuart House, 530 Douglas Ave
- Dec 10** IK 2035 Reading Event | 6:30 - 8 | NACD, 612 N. Park St
- Dec 12\*** IK 2035 Meeting on the Go | 6 - 7 | The Stuart House, 530 Douglas Ave
- Dec 14\*** Coffee Chat | 10 - 12 | Factory Coffee, 213 Frank St.

\*Event hosted by The Stuart Historic Neighborhood Association.

