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Since opening in early 2014, the Oak Hill Collaborative's business incubator has assisted more than a dozen small businesses with services including office space, office equipment and supplies, business planning, grant writing, legal assistance and networking, and the Oak Hill Makerspace, which offers tools, classes and workshops on a variety of technical and other building and artistic skills. Our community space has also been utilized by dozens of neighborhood organizations, block watches, and other groups for a wide variety of meetings, programs, and events. It is our intention to continue to use this space to promote economic and community activities that serve the Oak Hill corridor, the South Side, and the City of Youngstown as a whole. Our objective is neighborhood revitalization of the Oak Hill neighborhood through the dynamic interaction of the resources we are providing.

Oak Hill Collaborators

Businesses and organizations that have utilized our business support services:

Add-a-Trap
B&O Station
Big Cricket Farms
Bravura LLC.
Business Mind/Courtney Waskin
Café Augustine
Downtown Wellness Community
David Dilla Construction
Earnest.com
Flannel Farms
iDK Green Technologies
Innovative Consulting & Training, LLC.
Jesus Speak Fashion
KBC Kidz
Rick Paige Landscaping
KO Consulting, LLC.
Rock Shotz Photography
St. Patrick's Church
South Side Academy
United Returning Citizens
Urban Soul/Southside Meditation Circle
Take Me There Transport
Willow Claims Processing, LLC.

Oak Hill Community Space

Events and activities that we have been involved in planning, hosting, and supporting:

Certificate of Qualification of Employment (CQE) Workshop

Developed in collaboration with ACTION, Home for Good & Mahoning Valley Organizing Collaborative, this workshop provided assistance for formerly incarcerated people to obtain certificates that can help to remove employment barriers.

Door-to-door Canvassing & Petition Campaigns

Our community space has been “home base” for many civic engagement campaigns that involve door-to-door canvassing in the neighborhoods adjacent to Oak Hill Ave.

Friends of the Mahoning River

Regular monthly meeting of the group which advocates to improve the quality of the Mahoning River through education, restoration, and recreation.

HOPE Conference

The annual conference, sponsored by the Community initiative to Reduce Violence, Home for Good, the Oak Hill Collaborative and others provides resources and support to formerly incarcerated people. Several Oak Hill collaborators and partners have been instrumental in involved in planning and participating in the HOPE conference for the last two years.

POGO Block Watch

Regular and Special meetings.

Jesus Speak Community Fashion Show

Oak Hill Collaborator Jesus Speak, a Christian-oriented fashion designer, held an open house and fashion show.

Lecture: History of the South Side

by author and photographer Sean Posey

Mahoning Valley Organizing Collaborative (MVOC) phone bank

Six-week phone campaign with MVOC and Caring Across Generations pertaining to issues facing seniors and people with disabilities.

MVOC Voter Bloc Party

A public event to celebrate and engage city residents in early voting and civic engagement.

MVOC 10,000 Valley Voices

A planning meeting for a large-scale listening campaign which aims to talk to 10,000 people in Youngstown and Warren about key issues facing their families and community.

Neighborhood Beautification Projects

Oak Hill Collaborative has been the central meeting and planning location for numerous neighborhood cleanups and beautification efforts on the South Side.

Needle's Eye Counseling Center Board Meeting and Retreat

Southside Meditation Circle

Free group meditation and yoga sessions provided by Urban Soul Unlimited & Downtown Wellness Community.

STEM Week Open House

Participated in Stem education week with a variety of activities for students.

St. Patrick's Church Staff, Council & Committees

Regular planning meetings for St. Patrick's events and activities.

United Returning Citizens Meetings & Mentor Training

Regular meetings of URC, a group that offers support and mentoring for formerly incarcerated people and their families, and hosted an open house for prospective Eastern Gateway CC students.

United Way Community Roundtable

Hosted multiple public meetings for proposal

Mahoning-Youngstown Economic Coalition VITA program

Provided free income tax assistance for low to moderate income people.

Youngstown Charter Review Committee

Multiple public meetings to propose amendments to Youngstown City Charter.

Youngstown Design Works

Week-long design workshop for non-profits and small business start-ups.

Youngstown Neighborhood Development Corporation (YNDC) & City of Youngstown

Hosted neighborhood meeting with 75 people in attendance, serving 40 businesses.

Youngstown Neighborhood Leadership Council

Regular meetings of leaders from neighborhood groups across the city. Recently welcomed more than 40 people to ask Mayor McNally questions about code enforcement and demolition.

Public Book Readings/Signings:

Great Restaurants of Youngstown by Thomas Welsh

Fallen City Writers Anthology

Winning Elections: A Blueprint for the Public Service in Us All by Kristen Olmi

Oak Hill Makerspace

Providing our collaborators and neighborhood residents free access to a wide array of equipment and tools including cutting edge 3D printers and computers, wood working equipment, assorted hand tools, air compressors, and more, including mentoring by and interaction with other members.

Oak Hill Makerspace Group

Weekly meetings featuring speakers and workshops on 3D printing, CNC routers, computer programming and coding, building skills, and more.

Youngstown-Warren Inventors Club

Monthly meetings to share ideas and resources for inventors and entrepreneurs.

Oak Hill Makerspace Programs & Projects:

3D Printing Classes

Ongoing series of classes on 3D printing taught by Makerspace members and open to the community.

CNC Router Build

Makerspace members are building a CNC (Computer Numerical Control) Router, a computer controlled cutting machine related to the hand held router used for cutting various hard materials, such as wood, composites, aluminum, steel, plastics, and foams.

Drone Program

The Makerspace Drone Program will involve a drone building project for Makerspace members as well as a fun and educational drone racing program for the community.

Oak Hill Lego League

Makerspace members are developing a Lego League in partnership with local schools which will teach young people the basics of building and robotic design and competition using Lego building blocks.

Makerspace Raspberry Pi Jam

This three-week course taught participants how to utilize the latest in micro-technology to develop unique projects from home automation to interactive art.