

# EVALUATION FINDINGS

From July 2017 – April 2018 the University of Denver's Burnes Center on Poverty and Homelessness conducted a comprehensive evaluation of Colorado Village Collaborative's Beloved Community Village.

## KEY FINDINGS

**Beloved Community Village has had a demonstrably positive impact on local community**

- Previously unserved people are housed
- Neighbors report very few concerns
- No increase in crime near the village

**Improved outcomes for villagers in the areas of:**

- Education & Employment
- Health & Well-being
- Reduction in Theft

**Villagers report:**

- An increase in social capital
- Increased feelings of safety

## PEOPLE WHO WERE PREVIOUSLY UNSERVED ARE HOUSED.

- Despite that fact that most had been chronically homeless, 10 of the 12 original villagers are still housed 9 months after the launch of the village
- Of these 10 initial villagers, 3 have moved into permanent housing to be replaced by new residents of the village

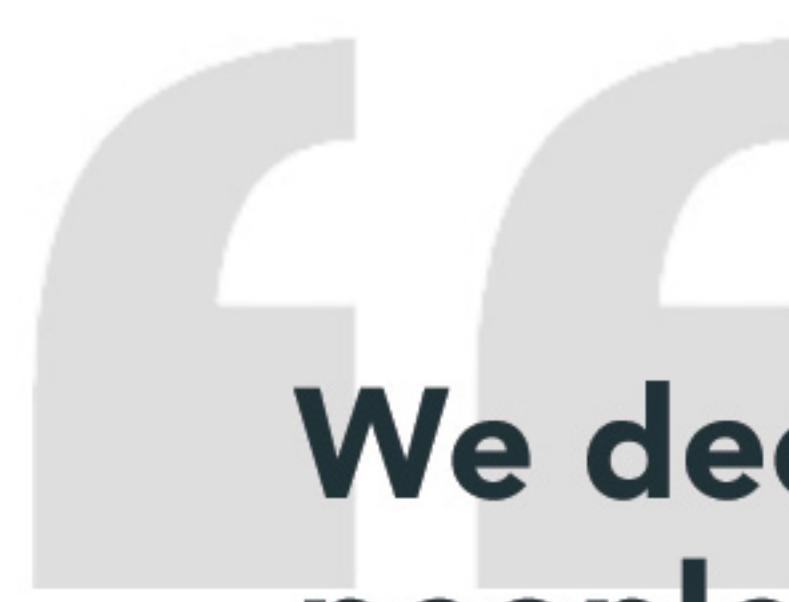


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**We decide what goes on here. It gives people back their confidence and puts people in leadership roles they didn't know they could do and then excel at."**

- Village Resident



## VILLAGERS ARE MORE STABLE.

- The village has contributed to a statistically significant decrease in anxiety and an increase in satisfaction
- By the end of the 9-month evaluation, all of the villagers were either employed or in school, with one person on disability
- Villagers valued the increase in social capital and the opportunity to be part of something larger than themselves

# POSITIVE IMPACTS ON THE NEIGHBORHOOD

- Neighbors reported few, if any, challenges with the village
- Nearly 80% of neighbors interviewed reported no impact or a positive impact on traffic, safety, and noise
- Nearly 90% of neighbors reported no impact or a positive impact on the sense of community



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“They’re good neighbors...I see them coming and going to work.”

- Neighborhood Resident

“Guests at the restaurant talk about it. They come to the neighborhood to see it and say, ‘it’s good to see that someone’s doing something.’”

- Neighborhood Resident

## NEIGHBORHOOD PERCEPTIONS OF THE VILLAGE’S IMPACT

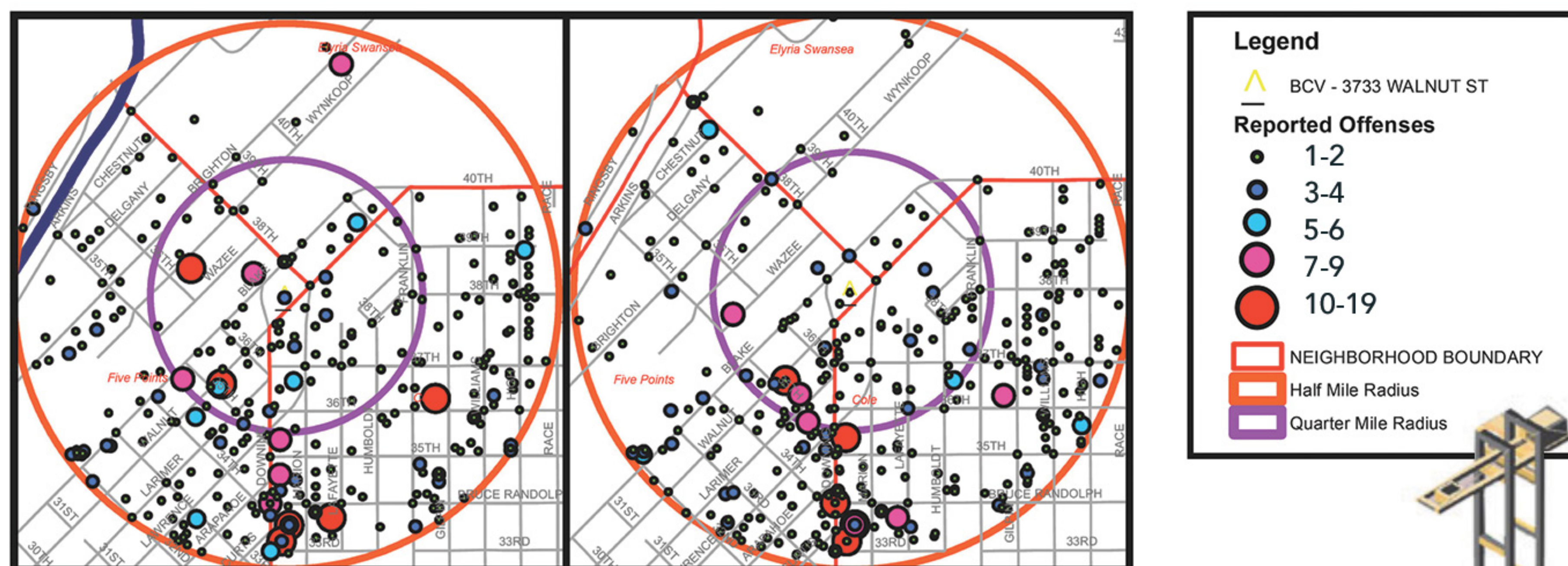
Together, the results from the crime data, a random neighborhood sample, and a purposive sample of local businesses demonstrate that, on average, Beloved Community Village had either no impact or a positive impact on the neighborhood.

	% Respondents Report No Impact/Positive Impact
<b>Traffic flow</b>	83%
<b>Safety</b>	78%
<b>Noise</b>	83%
<b>Sense of community</b>	87%

## MAPS COMPARING REPORTED CRIME

JUL - DEC 2016

JUL - DEC 2017



Half Mile Total = 585  
Quarter Mile Total = 177

Half Mile Total = 592  
Quarter Mile Total = 166

