East Sprague Targeted Investment Pilot (TIP) Lighting Project

SNAPSHOT

Activity Type – Lighting Initiative

Beneficiaries – Everyone!

Funding Sources – Avista, The City of Spokane, and the Spokane Regional Health District (SRHD)

Key Results

- Crime is down 30% in program area.
- People feel safer walking to and from public transit at night.

Words of Advice – Broad based partnerships are the key! A better product resulted from inclusion of the police department, residents, business owners, utility companies, City of Spokane and Public

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Project Profile



PLACE

The East Sprague corridor has had a long history of unsavory activity which has encouraged a lingering negative public perception of the area even as revitalization takes place. A primary concern for residents and businesses was real and perceive danger due to the district's many dark areas. Crime had been allowed to continue in part because illegal activities were vailed under the cover of almost complete darkness.

PEOPLE

Those that live, work, play, own property, eat and shop within the Targeted Investment Area benefitted from this project. City of Spokane taxpayers did too – crime has been reduced by 30% in the program area. And adjustments continue to be made including experiments with keeping rail road viaduct lights on 24 hours per day.



To date, 45 brand new lights and poles have been added within the TIP area as well as 136 lighting upgrades from sodium vapor bulbs to brighter, more energy efficient LED bulbs.



Area Residents, Business and Property Owners, Spokane Regional Health District, Avista, The City of Spokane (Spokane Police and Streets Departments).

For more detail on how this project came to fruition view the project summary page (link page here)