



## *Spring Semester 2009 – Impact Snapshot*

### **Feedback from Class Participants**

- 92% of participants said they will “definitely use the skills from the class.”
- 90% of participants will “definitely” share the Capacity College information with their neighbors.
- 91% of participants believe they will be able to translate the Capacity College skills into action.
- Fully half of enrolled neighborhood groups are still working with their Good Neighbor Partners on projects from creating customized maps to working on holistic neighborhood covenants.

### **Citywide Impact**

- City of New Orleans seeking to support “Citizen Capacity.” NPN applying for City RFP that seeks a nonprofit to create a “Capacity College.”
- Coverage from Times-Picayune and Cox Communications



### **Core Class Ratings**

- **Getting Started:** Workshop rating 4.2 out of 5 (40 respondents)
- **Developing Your Gameplan:** Workshop rating 4.32 out of 5 (40 +respondents)
- **City Hall 101: Workshop rating** 4.14 out 5 (36 respondents)
- **Partnerships for Common Goals:** Workshop rating 4.4 out 5 (25 respondents)
- **Neighborhood Economics:** Workshop rating 4.25 out 5 (27 respondents)

### **In Their Own Words**

“The Capacity College teaching fellows are local leaders who provide insight and guidance that can only come from local experience. The participants recognize and respect the expertise and support that comes from within our own city.”

(staff person, New Orleans Food and Farm Network)



“We've learned the importance of surveying the people we serve, making personal contact with our constituents and how to deal with the inefficient and less than well documented bureaucracy of our city government when advocating for our neighbors in the legal system..... Most importantly, however, I have personally gotten to know and share ideas, dreams and frustrations as well as as contact information with members of other neighborhood advocacy groups from all over the city.”

(resident, Carrollton Riverbend NA)