## Parents Organized for a Better Lincoln School Community

**Who we are:** Parents Organized for a Better Lincoln School Community is a team of twelve mothers from Lincoln School who have come together to begin to make changes that will improve life for Lincoln School kids and families. We have been supported by the Parent Organizing Project of the United Neighborhood Association.

What we have done: After organizing the Lincoln School Parent Patrol last spring, we began a process of surveying the community to identify what is working and what is not working for families and to discover the most important community issues to work on.

**Results of our survey:** We interviewed 425 people -312 neighbors, 45 teachers, 15 other school staff, 14 business and church leaders in the community and 39 teenagers.

Of these 425 people, the biggest concerns mentioned were:

- > Lack of affordable health services 172 respondents
- > Safety and gang problems 168 respondents
- > Need for jobs and adult education/job training -154 respondents
- > Too many suspensions at Lincoln School 89 respondents
- > Not enough programs for teens and for seniors -76 respondents

## Our proposal for action!

We propose that parents and community residents choose from the following action campaign and project proposals:

- 1. A campaign to address health issues starting with health care for kids
- 2. A campaign to get the police to expand foot patrols around the school
- 3. A project to get a GED class and a computer class after school for adults
- 4. A campaign to address discipline problems at the school
- 5. Host a teen night
- 6. Host a senior night

## Join us – Plug Into the POWER of Parents! Only by bringing our community together will we be able to make change for a better community for our kids and families!

For more information, call us at 222/222-2222 or stop by our office at 999 West Washington.