

Topic: Collect data on abandoned housing in Lovejoy

Content Areas: Science/Tech

Grade Level: 8

Duration: 45 minutes/class.

GIS Tool: ARC GIS and Collector

Objectives:

- Create a map to highlight the abandoned houses in Lovejoy area
- Submit map to Councilman Fontana

Instructional Sequence:

1. Request UB Staff to create basemap of Lovejoy neighborhood
2. Walk with students around Lovejoy (2 block perimeter at a time)
3. Identify abandoned/dilapidated homes
 - a. Attributes include description of failing characteristics (e.g. roof, porch, etc), address of home
 - b. Plot points
4. Research effects of abandoned/dilapidated homes on neighborhood status.

Have students write a report of their findings and send to Councilman Richard Fontana.

Assessment:

1. Written report including:
 - a. research on neighborhood
 - b. Map of homes

Other Resources: (Such as PowerPoint, Video, Supplemental Readings, etc.)

Google

Supporting References: