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Subject: Buckman VVV requests your volunteer assistance  
From: "Bumstead Buckman" <buckmanvvv@yahoo.com>  
Date: Tue, July 16, 2013 7:31 pm  
To: occupyportlandinfo@riseup.net

Greetings!

We are a group of concerned neighbors in your very backyard, Buckman district. We are a historic, beautiful community that's family-friendly and affordable for the Ninety-Nine Percent, and we want to keep it that way. Unfortunately urban blight invites crimes and deterioration of our neighborhood, which also makes us a target for "urban renewal", aka gentrification. This is already starting: old Foursquare parking lot is now Linden, and St. Francis homeless park will soon become another residential-commercial development.

At the same time, urban blight is also lowering property values in Buckman, making it more challenging for some of our long-time residents to secure refinancing or to sell their properties.

This leads to our founding of "Buckman Volunteer Vigilantes enforcing Victory against Vagrants" ("Quad-V"). We are starting all-volunteer street patrol to clean up our neighborhood and streets day and night, and remove all undesirable criminal elements off our community.

In particular:

We are organizing a targeted blitzkreig to remove the illegal homeless structures on SE 12th and 11th, and around the Franz bread factory. Some homelesses there are stealing and vandalizing bicycle parts to operate sidewalk "chop shops" to sell bicycles to buy booze and drugs.

We are also organizing a picket in front of St. Francis soup kitchen and Red-'n'-Black Cafe, both of which have very lax homeless security policy and are magnet for crimes, drugs, and filth.

We are also looking for a few strong men to patrol our streets several times at night to catalog all illegal homeless encampments and homelesses, and report them to the authorities for removal and civil commitment. They do not need to be enabled by the soup kitchen, they need psychiatric help and laborforce retraining.

We really hope this is a great neighborhood-based partnership opportunity for Occupy Portland.

Cheers,

Chief M. Freeman  
Buckman VVV