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The Prospect Hill Neighborhood's Lefty Galloway Project won the "Mayor's Excellence Award" for community sponsored projects. The photograph of this young athlete was restored on a vandalized grave marker. The experience informed the community about local history.

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HAND rebuilt concrete sidewalks through its curb and sidewalk program funded by CDBG and also restored brick sidewalks through Neighborhood Improvement Grants.

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HAND inspects nearly 22,000 rental units city-wide, averaging over 6,500 per year. Many are houses in residential neighborhoods similar to Prospect Hill. Unlike most towns its size, Bloomington has a Property Maintenance Code which allows it to monitor the condition and safety of all registered units.

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Three houses have been rehabilitated with HAND programs on Euclid: one under the purchase-rehab program during which HAND made significant interior improvements to the property and two under the Owner-Occupied program. The project at 323 South Euclid included opening an enclosed front porch using drawings of the original porch supplied by the owner. HAND also does emergency repairs grants to houses with clear issues of the health and safety of residents

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Title 17 of the Bloomington Municipal Code contains regulations concerning unsafe buildings. Abandoned or derelict properties throughout the city are monitored. HAND works in tandem with the Board of Public Works to insure public health and safety issues.

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In Building Trade's Park, HAND's CDBG funds helped City Parks and Recreation build a walking path, buy new playground equipment, and improve a restroom facility.

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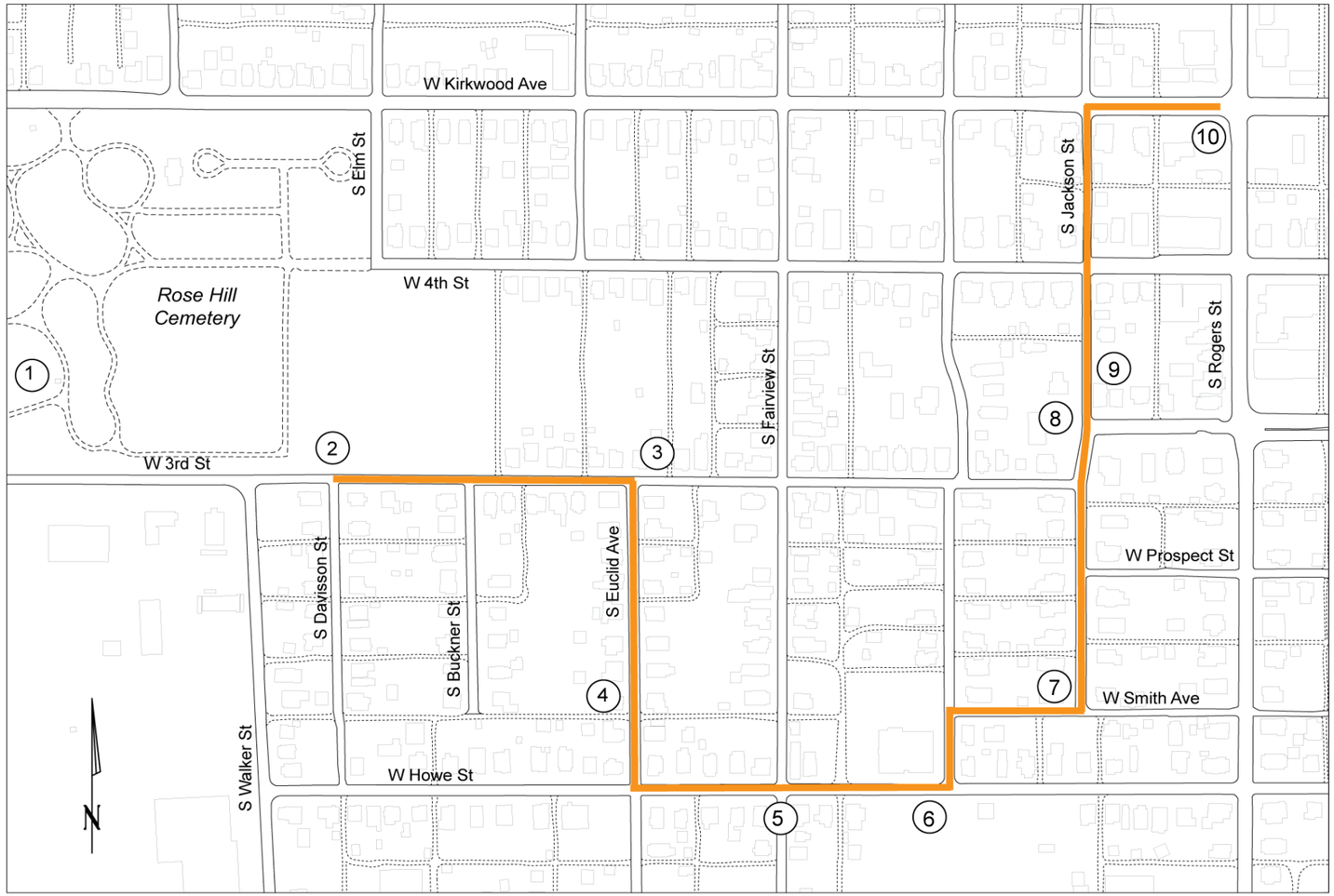

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The Prospect Hill Neighborhood Association builds "social capital" in the neighborhood through partnerships, leveraging talents, utilizing volunteers and applying for grants.

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HAND's inspectors enforce Title 6 which includes trash and weeds violations through out the city. In a town in which nearly 42,000 residents are seasonal, this can be quite challenging.

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The endangered Paris Dunning House was the impetus to form the Prospect Hill Neighborhood association in the 1970's. Bloomington Restorations Inc. restored the house in 1984. It has been adapted for office use ever since.

A portion of Prospect Hill was listed on the National Register in 1990 and quickly became a local historic district. This has helped properties within the district obtain some of the highest property values west of the square. In April of 2008, the rest of Prospect Hill was listed as the city's second Conservation District. This designation protects the area from inappropriate new construction. Preservation is insured by the oversight of the Historic Preservation Commission.

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The 4th and Jackson Project included sidewalk restoration and drainage improvements. Neighbors met continuously with city engineers and HAND representatives to ensure the most compatible design was developed that also met ADA standards.

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HAND provides staff support to the Redevelopment Commission and the Bloomington Urban Enterprise Association. The BUEA has a host of programs available for residents and businesses within their zone. One of the many responsibilities of the Redevelopment Commission is oversight of Tax Increment Financing district dollars.

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