

Neighborhood BBQ to reach unchurched people

By Riga Baptist “Seminary” church & “Mājvieta” missional community

About us:

We are a church that consists of several missional communities that focus on Discipleship, servant hood and living out our gospel identity on a daily basis. We aim primarily is to reach unchurched people.

We are located in downtown Riga. There are about 700.000 people living in the city and most of them are very secular and don't attend church regularly. Riga is a fast growing vibrant city with lots of creative young people who are trying to transform the society from the Soviet era mindset with new ideas and expressions of originality.

Church outreach/mission goals and strategy.

Primarily the church focuses on three identities: family, missionaries, servants.

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The project

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Every year we try to make a larger neighborhood BBQ with the purpose to reach out to new people and establish new relationships. Through that we try to make follow up parties (movie nights, game nights etc.) to get to know the people better.

The goal is to show them that the Gospel isn't just for “people in church” but that His love can also be very practical and enjoyable. The ultimate goal of course is for them to hear the Gospel at one of our “Story of God” sessions or through private conversations.

Tasks, stages, steps that have to be taken in order to realize this project

Assign people for different responsibilities, create a theme of the party, get musicians and other performers, think of workshop ideas, get people to cook food, get finances for the party, organize follow-up options for people that are interested to continue communication.

Planned, desired time for implementing this project

Usually it is a one day event, but it might be a weekend project this year. The dates could be close to the end of August (more kids return to city)

It would be great to have 8-15 people.

Roles/tasks of collaboration partner team

Workshop overseers, cooks, kids zone overseers, caterers, "muscle-work", drivers(?), being open to conversations with people.

Expected budget for the project

Total costs, main disbursement categories
The total would be around 1000\$ (one event) depending on the number of people (usually around 150-200 people). Main expenses: food, musicians, workshops, kids zone, flyers and posters, transportation.

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