

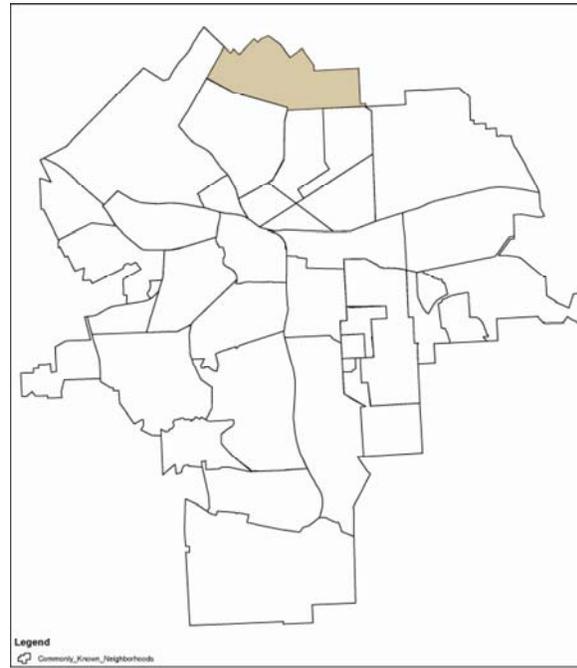
Court Woodlawn Neighborhood Profile

Boundaries

The Court Woodlawn neighborhood is bounded by the City limits on the north and east; Grant Boulevard on the south; and Butternut Street on the west.

Primary Characteristics

Court Woodlawn is a primarily residential neighborhood located on the northern edge of the City. This densely populated middle-class neighborhood is the site of one of the first settlements in the City.



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Court Woodlawn Demographics							
Population	Households	Average Household Size	Families	Average Family Size	Median Household Income	Unemployment	
						Male	Female
6,454	2,729	2.4	1,645	2.9	\$33,745	4.4%	2.3%

Housing Description

Court Woodlawn features a mix of one- and two-family homes, with some larger apartment buildings. There is a high level of owner-occupancy, but the vacancy rate is a growing concern. Homes are aging and while many are well-maintained, others are in various stages of deterioration.

Court Woodlawn Housing Data								
Housing Stock		Tenure			Occupancy Status			
Median Age	Housing Units	Owner Occupied	Renter Occupied	Owner/Renter Ratio		Occupied	Vacant	Vacancy Rate
1942	2,952	1,848	886	62.6%	30.0%	2,735	218	7.4%

Economic Development

Court Woodlawn is largely residential, with some business activity along Grant Boulevard. The Butternut Circle business district at the intersection of Butternut Street and Grant Boulevard is being redeveloped with landscaping, streetwork, and façade improvements.

Schools

Webster Elementary School (K-5) and LeMoyne Elementary School (K-5) are both "In Good Standing," according to the 2008-09 New York State Report Card for the Syracuse City School

District. Students from the neighborhood go on to attend Henninger High School, which is in Year 5 of “Requiring Academic Progress.”

Greenspace & Recreation

Butternut Circle features a small grassy park. Woodlawn Cemetery is a large wooded area used for walking and jogging, and Webster School has playing fields and a playground.

Housing Development Strategies

- Neighborhood Associations – The Northside TNT and Court Woodlawn Neighborhood Task Force are strong forces in the neighborhood and can be relied upon to help maintain the stability of the neighborhood.
- Home Improvement Loan Buy-down – Programs such as the Court Woodlawn Neighborhood 1% Home Improvement Loan can be used to help homeowners rehabilitate their properties.
- One House on the Block -- Code enforcement and rehabilitation assistance can be used to prevent a few abandoned or neglected properties from bringing down the value of the entire neighborhood.

Promotional Strategies

- City Living – Court Woodlawn could be marketed as an alternative to northern inner-ring suburbs such as Lyncourt and Mattydale.
- Population-Specific Marketing - Promote programs such as “Say Yes” to Education to attract young families.

Success Indicators

- Maintain or reduce vacancy rate
- Increased homeownership
- Stable housing values
- No signs of neighborhood blight or suburban flight