



2021

NEIGHBORHOOD SERVICES

City of Bloomington • Housing and Neighborhood Development • Neighborhood Services

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Applications online at <https://bloomington.in.gov/neighborhoods/grants>

GRANTS

Small & Simple Grants: Neighborhood groups can apply for up to \$500, once per year, with no in-kind requirements. Submit a one-page narrative and budget sheet, follow application instructions. **No deadline.** Applications will be accepted from January 4 to September 1, 2021.

WHAT CAN WE DO WITH A S&S GRANT?

- educational workshops
- invasive plant removal
- neighborhood newsletter mailings
- wood chipper rental
- block party entertainment

Neighborhood Improvement Grants: Funds provide for nontraditional capital projects with community-wide benefit.

- *Virtual Informational Meetings* - Tuesday, January 26, 2021, 6:00 p.m. & Monday, February 1, 2021, 7:00 p.m.
- *Letter of Intent* - Monday, February 15, 2021 by 4:00 p.m.
- *Technical Assistance* - Scheduled with each participating neighborhood.
- *Applications Due* - Monday, March 22, 2021 by 4:00 p.m.
- *Neighborhood applicants present their projects to the Grant Council* - Monday, April 19, 2021, 6:00 p.m.

PAST N.I. GRANT PROJECTS

- neighborhood entrance signs
- neighborhood park improvements
- public art installations
- informational kiosks
- historic sidewalk restoration
- public pathway development
- street sign toppers
- playground equipment
- solar lights
- public benches and planters

Neighborhood Cleanup Grants: One-day event where residents cleanup their neighborhood with City assistance. Applications due Monday, March 8, 2021 by 4:00 pm.

RID YOUR NEIGHBORHOOD OF

- trash
- scrap metal
- hazmat
- tires
- brush & tree limbs

PROGRAMS

Fundraising for Neighborhood Associations Workshop: Learn about the benefits of applying for non-profit status, and about two State of Indiana programs that can assist neighborhoods in their fundraising efforts - Thursday, January 21, 2021, 7:00 p.m.

Blooming Neighborhood Celebration: Year-round opportunities to highlight and celebrate Bloomington neighborhoods.

Citizens' Academy: Ten-week program that introduces participants to City government through an interactive learning experience. Every Thursday, August 26 through October 28, 2021, 6:00 to 8:00 pm. Registration deadline - Monday, July 12, 2021



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CALENDAR

JANUARY

Monday, 4th: First day to submit Small and Simple Grant applications.
Thursday, 21st: Fundraising for Neighborhoods Workshop, 7:00 p.m.
Tuesday, 26th: 1st Informational Meeting on Neighborhood Improvement Grants, 6:00 p.m.

FEBRUARY

Monday, 1st: 2nd Informational Meeting on Neighborhood Improvement Grants, 7:00 p.m.
Monday, 15th: Neighborhood Improvement Grant Letters of Intent Due, 4:00 p.m.

MARCH

Monday, 8th: Neighborhood Cleanup Grant Applications Due, 4:00 p.m.
Monday 22nd: Neighborhood Improvement Grant Applications Due, 4:00 p.m.

APRIL

Monday, 19th: Neighborhood Improvement Grant Applicant Presentations 6:00 p.m.

MAY

Monday, 3rd: Redevelopment Commission votes to allocate Neighborhood Improvement Grant funds, 5:00 p.m.

JULY

Monday, 12th: Citizens' Academy Applications Due, 4:00 p.m.

AUGUST

Thursday, 26th: Citizens' Academy 2021 Begins, 6:00 p.m to 8:00 p.m..

SEPTEMBER

Thursday, 30th: Last day to submit Small & Simple Grant applications, 4:00 p.m.

OCTOBER

Thursday, 28th: Last meeting of Citizens' Academy 2021, 6:00 p.m to 8:00 p.m.