



GRANTS

SMALL & SIMPLE GRANT: Neighborhood groups may apply for up to \$500, per year, with no match requirement. Submit a one-page narrative and budget sheet, follow application instructions. Applications accepted Jan 1 - Sept 1, 2025. bton.in/Simple

S&S GRANT PROJECT IDEAS

- invasive plant removal/native replacement
- educational workshops
- neighborhood newsletter printing/mailing
- street sign toppers

NEIGHBORHOOD IMPROVEMENT GRANT: Funds may be used for physical improvement, public art, leadership training, and organizational capacity building projects and events with neighborhood-wide benefit. Requirements include: attendance at an informational meeting, letter of intent, formal application, presentation of project proposal. See reverse for dates and times. bton.in/NIG25

IMPROVEMENT GRANT PROJECT IDEAS

- neighborhood entrance signs
- neighborhood park improvements
- public art installations
- public benches and planters
- landscaping
- leadership training workshop
- capacity building event

NEIGHBORHOOD CLEANUP GRANT: One-day event during which residents clean up their neighborhood with City assistance. Applications due Monday, March 3, 2025. Possible cleanup dates: April 12, 19, May 3, 17, 31. bton.in/Clean

RID YOUR NEIGHBORHOOD OF

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

PROGRAMS

R101: RENTING IN BLOOMINGTON: Free renters class, open to all Bloomington residents. Learn about leases, renters rights, financial wellbeing, City rules, and good neighboring skills. Tuesday, January 28, 6-8pm, Dogwood room, Indiana Memorial Union. bton.in/Class

RESIDENTS ACADEMY: Eleven-week program that introduces participants to City government through an interactive learning experience. Every Thursday, August 14 through October 23, 2025, 6-8pm. Registration deadline - Monday, July 7, 2025. bton.in/RAcad

BLOOMING NEIGHBORHOODS CELEBRATION: A gathering of Bloomington's neighborhoods that offers an opportunity for neighborhood groups to share their achievements, projects, and initiatives with their counterparts from around the city. Saturday, October 18, 2025, 10am-12pm. bton.in/Bhood

PICK-IT-UP LITTER PATROL: HAND provides free blue trash bags to residents and neighborhood groups to conduct litter patrols in the community. The Sanitation department picks up the filled bags for free. bton.in/PikUP

B-TOWN NEIGHBORING PROJECT (BNP): An initiative designed to encourage positive relationships between off-campus students and long-term residents of the City of Bloomington, with the ultimate goal of strengthening neighborhoods by fostering good neighboring, encouraging respect, and promoting public and personal safety. The BNP partners with neighborhood associations to plan events and programs to welcome and educate student residents. bton.in/BoNoP

Contact Neighborhood Services at angela.vanrooy@bloomington.in.gov or 812-349-3505

CALENDAR

January

Wednesday, January 1 - First day to submit Small and Simple Grant applications.

Tuesday, January 28, 6-8pm - R101: Renting in Bloomington

Thursday, January 30, 6pm - Neighborhood Improvement Grant Informational Meeting #1.

February

Tuesday, February 4, 7pm - Neighborhood Improvement Grant Informational Meeting #2.

Monday, February 17, 5pm - Neighborhood Improvement Grant Letter of Intent to Apply due.

March

Monday, March 3 - Neighborhood Cleanup Grant Applications due.

Monday, March 24 - Neighborhood Improvement Grant Applications due.

April

Monday, April 14, 6-8pm - Neighborhood Improvement Grant Applicant Presentations.

Wednesday, April 16, 5-7pm - Neighborhood Improvement Grant Council work session.

May

Monday, May 5, 5pm - Redevelopment Commission votes to allocate Neighborhood Improvement Grant funds (tentative).

June

HAPPY SUMMER!

July

Monday, July 7 - Residents Academy Applications due.

August

Thursday, August 14, 6-8pm - First meeting of Residents Academy.

September

Monday, September 1 - Last day to submit Small & Simple Grant applications.

October

Saturday, October 18, 10am to noon - Blooming Neighborhoods Celebration.

Thursday, October 23, 6-8pm - Last meeting of Residents Academy.

November

Monday, November 17 - Deadline for submission of ALL grant receipts/invoices.

December

Monday, December 15 - Deadline for submission of ALL grant final reports.

January 2026

Thursday, January 1 - Neighborhood grant applications for 2026 cycle available online.



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