Finding the Funds to Make Things Happen

Saturday, October 8th, 2016 2:30-3:30pm 2016 Blight Bootcamp Conference

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About us:



Community Development Partner:

Consultant, Funder, Connector and Lender

• 3 Priority Issue Areas:

- Economic Opportunity
- Safe and Healthy Environments
- Talent and Leadership Capacity

6 Priority Geographies:

- Hilltop: Beltzhoover, Allentown and Knoxville
- The Hill District
- Homewood
- Larimer
- Millvale
- Wilkinsburg

Small & Simple Grants Overview:

- To support a wide variety of strategic small-scale community serving initiatives:
 - Activate neighborhood plans
 - Events to foster greater social connectivity amongst residents
 - Activities to celebrate neighborhood pride and attract new people and investments
 - Initiatives to Fight blight!
- Applicants may competitively apply for up to \$15,000; applications accepted on a rolling basis. Neighborhoodallies.com/what-we-do
- We accept applications from non-profit organizations based in or serving low-moderate income neighborhoods in Allegheny County.
 - Preference provided to projects based in our Priority Geographies





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#LoveMyNeighbor



What is Love My Neighbor!?

- 1) A grantmaking program created by Neighborhood Allies to invest in the talent, creativity, and goals of residents.
- 2) A network of people that connect and take action in ways that love their neighbors and neighborhood.

3) Small grants program that offers residents grants ranging from \$500 - \$2,500.



Have an **idea** of how to improve your neighborhood?



Would it take place in one of these neighborhoods?

Hill District

Hilltop (Beltzhoover, Allentown, Knoxville)

Homewood

Larimer

Lincoln-Lemington

Millvale

Wilkinsburg



What are some examples of resident-led projects?

Painting Alleyways

Drum Circle

Gathering and Storytelling with Veterans

Block Party

Supplies for a Neighborhood Sports Team

Beautifying storefronts

Neighborhood Cookout

Creating Parks/Playgrounds



Does your project idea....



Have your passions at the forefront?



Build on assets of the community?



Engage residents?



If your project does these things, it meets the criteria for the Love My Neighbor! Grant.



Decisions on grants are made my the GGC, **Grassroots Grantmaking** Committee, a group of residents that are from the communities where the grants are offered.



Timeline 2017

- 1) In early January, open call for applications. Attend a grantseeker workshops are offered from January March 2017.
- 2) Complete application by March 2017. Visit **lovemyneighborgrants.org** to print application or apply online.

Questions? Need help? Contact us at 412.471.3727

3) Join us for **Love My Neighbor Gathering** occurring after resident interviews in May 2017.



For Additional Information

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