

## **... to Build a Great Community Together!**

*Hire neighborhood young people  
for yard work, clean up or other  
odd jobs*

*Look up when you're walking—  
greet your neighbors*

*Support neighborhood schools*

*Ask for help when you need it*

*Share your skills with others*

*Organize a block party*

*Have potluck dinners*

*Open your shades*

*Bake extra and share*

*Talk to your neighbors*

*Put up a swing for  
everyone to use*

***“Know that no one is silent,  
though many are not heard... work  
to change this!”***

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### *Building a Great Community Together*

Do you have a great idea for your street, your block, your neighborhood, or your community? Redwood City can help bring your idea to life with a Community Improvement Grant .

Grants up to \$300 are available for new community engagement projects, beautification, neighborhood participation activities, and other projects that bring people together and build community.

A great community begins with you and your neighbors. By bringing people together for a neighborhood improvement project in your area, you're helping to strengthen the foundation of the entire community of Redwood City.

The purpose of this grant is to jumpstart your new ideas for making your community a better place.

Redwood City shares in your goal of improving your neighborhood. The Community Improvement Grant Program is our way of helping to create a successful project.

### Eligibility

Community Improvement Grants are available to help “community building” in your neighborhood by supporting projects with a common benefit and that bring neighbors together.

To be eligible for a Community Improvement Grant, your project must meet the following requirements:

#### ***Benefit***

Your project must provide an identifiable benefit or positive impact to your street, block, neighborhood, community, or area, whether it's a physical improvement or a way to bring neighbors together. New projects are given high priority. Grants are also available for expanding the scope or outreach of existing neighborhood projects.

#### ***Involvement***

An important aspect of “community building” is working together with others for a common benefit or improvement. Your project must include the active involvement of at least three neighboring households – the more neighbors involved, the better the project!

#### ***Project Design***

We want to ensure that your Community Improvement project is successful and that any grant funds are efficiently utilized, so your project should be well thought-out and planned, with a specific timeline, clearly defined steps, and a budget. Plan for success!

### Timing of your Community Project

Once funds are approved and made available your project must be completed within six months. When the project is completed, submit pictures, itemized expenses, and a final report describing the success of the project.

### Project Examples

Here are just a few examples of community projects that might be eligible:

- Create a Community Garden
- Publish a Neighborhood Newsletter
- Organize a Block Party
- Coordinate a Community Clean-up
- Create a “New Neighbor Welcome” Program
- Hold Neighborhood Dinners

### How to Apply

Applications are available on our website, at the Office of the City Manager, or by contacting us at:

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Applications will be reviewed once a month.