

THRIVING COMMUNITIES BUILDING MINI GRANT

FOR

Adair Park, Mechanicsville, Peoplestown, Pittsburgh, Summerhill and Capitol Gateway

Thriving Communities Grant

Overview

Thriving Communities Building Grant-TCBG is a Resident lead grant opportunity for six neighborhoods Adair Park, Mechanicsville, Peoplestown, Pittsburgh, Summerhill and Capitol Gateway, known collectively as Neighborhood Planning Unit V (NPU-V). The primary objectives of these grants are to:

- support volunteers and grassroots organizations taking ownership in improving their communities;
- foster relationships by encouraging organizations that are achieving equitable outcomes, especially as it relates to race to work toward common goals;
- build capacity within the community through training and leadership development; and
- support and track at least one measureable neighborhood improvement from each grantee, with the understanding that incremental improvements lead to broader community impact.
- support organizations that are community based, and that use community organizing to achieve their goals
- support and build for capacity youth & young adults.

Grant awards range from \$5000–\$10,000 annually. **The deadline for submissions is 5 p.m. Monday, October 5, 2020. No exceptions.**

Funding Priorities

Funding priorities fall within three categories, which align with the broader Neighborhood Planning Unit V communities strategies: Social Justice, Youth and Young adult, Covid 19 Response.

Eligibility

- Building on the strengths and assets already existing in the community.
- Applicants do not need to have tax exempt status such as 501(c)(3), but if they do not have tax exempt status, they must have a fiscal agent who does. Applicants must provide a letter from fiscal agents indicating their willingness to serve in that capacity and describing the roles and responsibilities of the relationship. They also must provide the fiscal agent's IRS tax exemption letter. The TCBG will issue awarded grant checks to the tax-exempt organization, which must have a business bank (and indicate possession of one).
- Showing the capacity to complete activities funded by the TCBG by May 2021.

Projects will receive additional consideration if they, in addition to the above, support the following priorities of the Thriving Communities Building grant committee:

- involve more than one community;
- address equity and/or equality (through convening/discussion);
- include a policy and advocacy component (affordable housing, mental health, city budget & social justice);

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- include human services (mental health, addiction, homelessness, access to services etc.); and
- support education and engagement for children and youth.

Preferred attributes include:

- demonstrating broad community support and engagement;
- addressing significant community issues and having clear benefits for the neighborhood;
- having a plan for sustaining the project beyond the initial Thriving Communities Building investment; and
- providing a reasonable budget that does not include compensation for time.

Ineligible projects/organizations include:

- for-profit businesses and/or government/public agencies;
- nonprofits that have more than three full-time paid staff members and an annual operating budget of more than \$150,000;
- projects that only benefit an individual or household rather than the broader community;
- lobbying or strictly religious programming; and
- nonprofits or community-based organizations that do not demonstrate active leadership by NPU-V residents.

Grantee Requirements

Selected grantees must:

- attend the grantee orientation to receive the first distribution of funds;
- submit midterm and final reports with itemized receipts (Grantees who do not submit the midterm report and itemized receipts will not receive the second half of their grant award. Grantees who do not submit reports will not be eligible for consideration in future rounds of the Thriving Communities Grant);
- schedule and invite their assigned Thriving Communities Building Advisory Board member to visit their project; and
- participate in related events throughout 2020-2021.

How to Apply

In addition to submitting a completed application with all requested information, your submission should include a clear budget with a request of no more than \$5,000- \$10,000. Completed applications should be submitted to Stephanie Flowers at thrivingcommunitygrants@gmail.com by **5 p.m. Monday, October 5, 2020**. While email is preferred, applications may be submitted by mail or in person at this address:

Summerhill Neighborhood Development Corporation
211 Georgia Ave
Atlanta, Georgia 30312

Rick McDevitt Youth Center
1040 Crew Street
Atlanta, Georgia 30315

If submitting in person place application in an envelope:

ATTENTION: Thriving Community Building Grant Fund Application

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Available Support

We will host Technical Assistance if needed and grant orientation for grantee. Please call or email to schedule your appointment. To maximize the technical assistance session, Please be prepared to share your draft application via zoom.

Grantee Orientation

Monday, October 26, 2020 11:00 am –1:00 pm

Zoom Technical Assistance Session (Individual)

(45 minutes time slots)

Monday, September 21,2020 11am-2pm

Tuesday, September 22, 2020 12pm-4pm

Wednesday, September 23, 2020 11am- 6:00pm

Please call Stephanie Flowers at (678) 615-8826 or email thrivingcommunitygrants@gmail.com to RSVP.

Questions

If you have questions, please contact Stephanie Flowers at (678) 615-8826 or Thriving Community Building Grant Committee:

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Thriving Communities Building Grant Application

The Thriving Community Building Grant awards grants to resident-led projects in Adair Park, Mechanicsville, Peoplestown, Pittsburgh, Summerhill and Capitol Gateway that can be completed by May 2021. Requests should range from \$5000 to \$10,000 (see grant announcement for further instructions). Please complete all application sections. Applicants may attach additional pages, if necessary.

Section I: Applicant Profile

Organization/Group Name:	
Project Title:	
Primary Contact Name:	
Phone:	Email:
Mailing Address:	
City:	Zip:
Describe whether primary contact lives or works in Neighborhood Planning Unit V (NPU-V) and which neighborhood:	
Secondary Contact Name:	
Phone:	Email:
Mailing Address:	
City:	Zip:
Describe whether live or work in NPU-V and which neighborhood:	
Neighborhood(s) Involved in Project:	
Date Group/Organization Formed:	
Website (if available):	

Section II: Group Contacts and Financial Information

Please provide contact information for each additional member of the project team, beyond those listed above. The team should consist of at least three unrelated applicants. Team members must be residents of, or work in, the community that the project intends to serve. At least one member must be older than 18.

Name and Role With This Project	Complete Address	Email/Phone

Your group must have an Internal Revenue Service nonprofit tax exemption letter or an agreement with a nonprofit tax exempt organization to receive funds on your behalf (fiscal agent). **PLEASE NOTE: An agreement with a fiscal agent organization should be established prior to submitting an application and a letter of agreement provided.** If you are using a fiscal agent, the agreement letter with your fiscal agent should specify the roles and responsibilities of each party. If you are using a fiscal agent, we prefer that agent be located within NPU-V.

Tax Exemption Letter Attached

Fiscal Agent Agreement Letter Attached

Fiscal Agent Contact Information (if applicable):
Fiscal Agent Agreement date (if applicable):
Individuals with access to project funds:

Does your group have any experience with managing funds (together or separately) or, if you have a fiscal agent, do you have experience working with that fiscal agent previously?

Yes No

Please discuss your response:

Section III: Request

1. Please describe your group. How long have you worked together and what are your group's goals and mission? How are NPU-V residents involved with your group?

2. Which Neighborhood Planning Unit V communities strategies focus area does your group's project address (check all that apply)?

Social Justices Youth and Young Adults Covid 19 Pandemic

3. Describe your group's project. Indicate whether this project is part of a larger strategy, for example, did it come out of a community planning process? If it involves physical improvements, provide the address and submit photos (please insert photos below or attach them to your application).

4. Please list the scope of work for this project. This should describe the tasks that you will need to complete to accomplish the project goals and when you anticipate completing each activity.

Activity	Date
<i>Example: Distribute fliers for community cleanup</i>	<i>July 2016</i>

5. If your project involves serving children, please describe steps you are taking to ensure the safety of the children and obtain permission from their parents.

6. How will you raise awareness of the project and ensure that neighborhood residents are involved?

7. Is this a new project or part of an ongoing initiative? If ongoing, please describe your accomplishments thus far.

8. What are your goals for the project? What are the performance measures (numerical measure)? How will you know that you have been successful?

GOAL	Performance Measure
<i>Example: Pick up trash from an abandoned lot</i>	<i>XX bags collected</i>

9. Once you have accomplished the goals described above, what difference do you think it will make for the community? Provide a narrative describing the anticipated results for the community.

10. How will your group sustain the project after the grant is complete?

11. Please feel free to attach a letter of support that you think might be helpful to your application. If the project will be operated at a site that is not under the control of your group, please attach a support letter from that site.

Section IV: Budget

Group/Organization's Annual Operating Budget (OK to answer '0'):

Amount Requested:

Please complete the budget table for the total cost of the request. Examples of allowable grant expenses include meeting expenses, food, equipment/space rental, professional services (*be specific about what the services are and who will provide them*), fiscal agent fee (*no more than 10 percent of ask*), copying, marketing/advertising, materials or other direct expenses. Stipends, salaries or other compensation for time of project team members are not allowable expenses. Please note that the amount requested column must total the amount requested above.

Item	Total Cost	Amount Requested	Narrative Description (Purpose, timing, in-kind, etc.)

TOTAL			

Has this project received funding from other sources? If so, please indicate source and amount.

SOURCE	AMOUNT
TOTAL	

Section V: Acknowledgment

Two signatures are required.

To the best of my knowledge, the information given in this application is accurate and complete. By authorizing this application, we attest to the accuracy of this data and agree to the responsibility of managing this project if the grant is awarded.

Signature:	Title:	Date:
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