

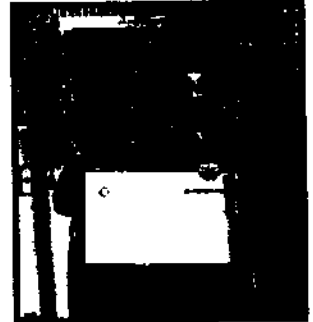
# Getting ready for Blooming Neighborhoods 2002



Last year's Blooming Neighborhood Awards was such a wonderful way to celebrate our neighborhoods that we decided to make a day of it!

The Blooming Neighborhoods celebration will be held at the Farmers Market on Saturday, May 11, 2002 from 10:00 to 12:00 p.m. This year the Farmers' Market activities will be dedicated to our Bloomington neighborhoods. All the entertainment will feature musicians from our neighborhoods. Neighborhoods will be encouraged to host their own information table to showcase their neighborhood.

*This event is for all our neighborhood residents, whether or not your neighborhood is participating in the Blooming Neighborhood Awards. This gives our neighborhood residents the opportunity to meet, learn and share their insights and activities with each other.*



To register and RSVP for a table or provide musical entertainment, contact Vickie Provine

349-3505

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## Neighborhood Improvement Grants Awarded

The 2002 Neighborhood Improvement Grants have been awarded to the following neighborhood associations:

- Bryan Park for restoration of historic sidewalks: \$22,010.
- McDoel Gardens in partnership with Bloomington Transit to install four bus stop benches: \$5,400.
- Park Ridge East to install a neighborhood sign: \$4,865.
- Prospect Hill for restoration of historic sidewalks: \$10,150.

**Are you curious about how your City government works?**

**City of Bloomington's Citizens' Academy will be starting on**

**August 22, 2002 . Watch for upcoming announcements or call**

**Vickie at 349-3505 or [provinev@city.bloomington.in.us](mailto:provinev@city.bloomington.in.us)**

HOUSING AND DEVELOPMENT

City of Bloomington presents:

**Blooming Neighborhoods  
neighborhood awards celebration**



Blooming Neighborhood Associations have been nurturing and growing wonderful ideas and projects. Now it is time to recognize those special achievements. The **Blooming Neighborhood Awards** recognize the efforts and reward the accomplishments of organized neighborhood groups in Bloomington.

There are three award categories with an award of \$100 to each of the neighborhood winners:

**Mayor's Excellence Award**

- Activities or programs that clearly show active participation by the neighborhood group and a partnering organization in building relationships.
- Activities or programs that dealt with unusual challenges and /or major obstacles.
- Activities or programs that demonstrate creativity in obtaining resources for the neighborhood.
- Evidence of outreach to neighborhood residents, churches, schools, business and other groups in an effort to build a united neighborhood.

**City Council Neighborhood Enhancement Award**

- Landscaping.
- Improvements to neighborhood entry ways.
- Cleaning up an area that was an eyesore.
- Implementing a program that beautifies the neighborhood.
- Restoration of historic infrastructure projects.
- Neighborhood Association encouraging residents to keep their properties well maintained.
- Implementing a project or program that has proven benefits for the neighborhood and/or community.

**HAND Neighbor of the Year**

- A person that has demonstrated exceptional leadership in their Neighborhood Association.
- A person that has demonstrated tremendous effort in helping their neighborhood overcome a major obstacle.
- A person that has worked towards the improvement of the quality of life in their neighborhood.
- A person that has made great strides in promoting neighbors to become involved in the Neighborhood Association.

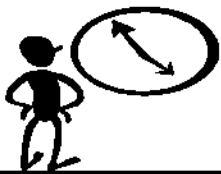
**To Apply:**

1. Complete the **Blooming Neighborhood Awards** application. Only one application will be sent to your neighborhood representative. Applications are due by noon on Friday, April 12, 2002 in the HAND office at 401 S. Morton St.
2. Neighborhoods may only submit one application per category with a two category limit. Your neighborhood must make sure they are registered with the HAND Department. To check on your status contact Vickie at 349-3505.

**Blooming Neighborhoods Timeline**

- Friday, April 12 - Applications due in HAND office by noon.
- Saturday, May 11 - Blooming Neighborhoods Awards presented 10:00 a.m. at the Farmers Market.

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**For an application and more information contact,  
Vickie Provine at the HAND office 349-3505.**



## Time for Neighborhood Cleanups

A Neighborhood Clean-up is an effective way to work together as a neighborhood in order to instill pride in your property as well as your community.

Annually the HAND Department sponsors Neighborhood Clean-ups to neighborhoods on a competitive application process. Neighborhood Associations that have demonstrated through their applications the need and ability to conduct a successful clean-up are awarded a HAND sponsored Neighborhood Clean-up.

Clean-ups are held on a Saturday from 9:00 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. from May 18 to September 28, 2002 (excluding holidays). The neighborhood organizes the event and provides all the volunteers, HAND provides much needed dumpsters, Hazmat and tire disposal, trucks and safety vest.

- **Tuesday, February 26, 2002, 5:30 to 6:30 p.m., McCloskey Room - Technical Assistance Meeting / Distribution of Applications**
- **Thursday, March 28, 2002, 4:00 p.m.—Neighborhood Cleanup grants due**
- **Friday, April 5, 2002, 4:00 p.m.—Announcement of neighborhoods receiving a Cleanup grant**

For more information contact Carol Jack or Vickie Provine at 349-3420

## Small and Simple Grant Fund



The Small and Simple Grant Fund is a partnership between the City and the neighborhoods. The City supplies cash for a neighborhood project and the neighborhood matches the City's contribution with volunteer labor, donated materials, professional services and cash.

The Small and Simple Grant Fund provides neighborhoods with the opportunity to initiate projects that require \$1,000 or less. It has been designed so neighborhoods can obtain funds to further their development, growth and community building activities. The process has been made very simple to make it easy for neighborhoods to participate! Next application date is Monday, June 17, 2002.

Eligible projects include:

- Neighborhood Physical Improvement Projects
- Neighborhood Non-Physical Improvement Projects
- Partnership Projects

For an application or more information, please call Vickie Provine, Program Manager at 349-3505.

**The first round of Small and Simple Grant funds were awarded to:**

- **Prospect Hill Neighborhood Association for their "Creative Connections Project & Celebration" proposal.**
- **The "My Back Yard" group from Bryan Park for a landscaping an unimproved roadway.**

Arden Place  
 Bent Tree  
 Bittner Woods  
 Broadview  
 Bryan Park  
 Eastern Heights  
 Eastside  
 Elm Heights  
 Fritz Terrace  
 Garden Hill  
 Green Acres  
 Highland Village  
 Hoosier Acres  
 Hyde Park  
 Kensington  
 Matlock  
 McDoel Gardens  
 Old Northeast  
 Park Ridge  
 Park Ridge East  
 Prospect Hill  
 Sherwood  
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 Sycamore Knolls  
 The Stands  
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## NEIGHBORHOOD SCRAMBLE

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