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City Of Las Vegas Offering Grants To Improve Neighborhoods

Neighborhood Associations Encouraged To Apply By April 18

The application cycle for the 19th annual Neighborhood Partners Fund (NPF) begins **today, Feb. 16**, giving registered city of Las Vegas neighborhood associations an opportunity to work together and receive a grant to help improve the quality of their neighborhoods. There is \$55,000 available for neighborhood grants this year, with a maximum of \$5,000, for each neighborhood association. The NPF program is designed to assist in improving the livability of city neighborhoods through community-matched funding for neighborhood improvement projects. The deadline for applications is April 18.

The types of improvement projects can range from landscaping to home safety. A few examples of the projects funded under the 2015-2016 program include lighting and security improvement, entryway signage, a neighborhood mural and a youth sports project. Neighborhood associations will have to match the city's grant with cash, volunteer time, donated supplies and equipment or professional services. Projects are required to take place within city limits and neighborhood boundaries, and include direct resident involvement in all phases of the projects.

Applicants are encouraged to register and attend at least one of six workshops being scheduled throughout the city of Las Vegas to learn about the program and the automated method of applying for the grant. Applicants will use [ZoomGrants](#) to submit their applications. No paper applications will be accepted. To register for a workshop, call 702-229-6681. Workshops are scheduled:

- Feb. 27, 10:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m., East Las Vegas Community Center, Conference Room 2, 250 N. Eastern Ave.
- March 3, 5:30-7:30 p.m., Centennial Hills Community Center (YMCA), Community Resources Room, 6601 N. Buffalo Drive.
- March 15, 5:30-7:30 p.m., Durango Hills Community Center (YMCA), 3521 N. Durango Drive.
- March 19, 9:30-11:30 a.m., Doolittle Community Center, Multipurpose Room B, 1950 N. J St.
- March 23, 3-5 p.m., Howard Lieburn Senior Center, 6230 Garwood Ave.
- March 31, 5:30-7:30 p.m., Veterans Memorial Leisure Services Center, Classroom 4, 101 N. Pavilion Center Drive.

After the submission deadline, applications will be reviewed for basic requirements and eligibility. The applications will be further evaluated by the Neighborhood Partners Fund Board, whose members are appointed by the mayor and City Council. All applicants will be required to make a 10-minute presentation of their projects to the NPF Board. Funding recommendations from the NPF board on these projects will be presented to the mayor and City Council for final approval at the July 20, 2016, City Council meeting. The NPF grant funding year (for this cycle only) will start after July 28, 2016, and end June 19, 2017. Go [online](#) for more details on NPF or contact Maria Castillo-Couch, Ph.D. at 702-229-6681.

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