

Neighborhood Grant Program

Growing Roots and Strengthening Neighborhoods

Good neighbors are the heart of any community. In strong neighborhoods, people come together to celebrate, to help each other, and to work together on local issues. One person helping another can make a real difference, and a group of people working together can revitalize and improve the quality of life in the neighborhood. The Community Foundation of Abilene believes in strengthening and revitalizing Abilene neighborhoods. We hope to foster ideas for self-improvement within the neighborhoods and turn those ideas into action.

Who Can Apply?

Any registered neighborhood association with special attention to disadvantaged neighborhoods working to enhance or establish its sense of community. The chances of a proposal being funded are substantially increased if the project:

- Brings residents together to create new connections between neighbors
- Nurtures a sense of pride and spirit in neighborhood
- Makes your neighborhood a safer place for children and elderly adults
- Encourages neighbors to support and assist each other
- Increases the resources you have to help each other

Types of Projects to be Funded

- Environmental and neighborhood clean up project
- Community garden
- Beautification projects
- Tool lending library
- Support for seniors
- After school programs for children
- Educational and cultural events
- Association board training
- Neighborhood newsletter
- Art festival

Ineligible Requests

- Projects planned and delivered by an organization or group outside the neighborhood
- Ongoing annual events
- Activities which benefit only one or two neighborhood residents

Grant Size

The Neighborhood Grant Program is an ongoing cycle that awards small grants to neighborhood organizations. Grant size ranges from \$100 to \$1,500.

How to Apply

Submit a one page letter explaining your proposed project with an attached project budget to the Community Foundation. Notification about the grant will be given within four weeks of the time the letter is submitted. Evaluation of the project with attached receipts should be submitted within six months of the time the grant was issued.

Need More Information?

Please call Michelle Parrish, Grants Director, at (325) 676-3883 or mparrish@cfabilene.org.



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