



Neighborhood Partnership Program

“Partnering for stronger, safer and more vibrant Neighborhoods”

In an effort to stimulate neighborhood activity and foster greater communication between neighborhoods and the City, we are launching a new Neighborhood Partnership Program. The Program is designed to build relationships with established neighborhood organizations while encouraging and assisting new neighborhood groups. This new initiative serves as a channel for citizens, city staff and elected officials to work together to enhance the quality of life in neighborhoods throughout the city.

Through the Neighborhood Partnership Program, neighborhood organizations can become officially recognized by the City, and collaborate with City staff to identify solutions to community issues, give feedback on public improvement projects, receive information regarding city services, and participate in City sponsored programs and events. By bringing neighbors together and connecting them to services and information, the overall vibrancy and welfare of the City is enhanced.

In order to become officially recognized, neighborhood organizations must register with the City. Once an application has been successfully completed and submitted for review by staff, it will be forwarded to the City Council for approval. This approval process formally recognizes the neighborhood group’s commitment to partner with the City to work to enhance the quality of life in their neighborhood.

Neighborhood Registration

The foundation of the program is a neighborhood registry, which provides a direct link between your neighborhood and the City of Dublin. The registry is also useful to City staff who may need to contact your neighborhood regarding issues of interest. Neighborhoods seeking to partner with the City must register and meet the following criteria:

1. The Neighborhood Organization must occupy a geographically distinct and specific area within the City of Dublin.
2. The Neighborhood Organization must have a current written set of bylaws approved by its membership. These bylaws should define the group’s boundaries, membership, role of the elected board, processes for holding meetings and elections, voting, committees, and amendments to the document.
3. The Neighborhood Organization must host at least four general membership meetings annually.
4. The Neighborhood Organization must be open to anyone who lives or owns property within the boundary of the neighborhood regardless of race, creed, color, sex, age, national origin, or physical and mental disability.

If you have an established neighborhood organization, and your neighborhood association members would like to become an officially recognized neighborhood, simply complete an Neighborhood Registration application and submit it via email to: npprogram@dlcga.com or mail it to the City of Dublin Neighborhood Partnership Program, P.O. Box 690, Dublin, GA. 31040. Upon approval, you will receive a Letter of Acceptance and be invited to attend an upcoming City Council meeting where you will receive formal recognition and acceptance into the program.

Creating a Neighborhood Organization

A neighborhood association can be started by developing a core group of three or four neighbors who are interested in organizing. Once your group is ready, follow these steps to have your neighborhood association recognized as a formal organization with the City's Neighborhood Partnership Program:

- First, meet with your neighbors to decide on a name for your neighborhood and define your boundaries. Your boundaries can consist of one city street, two city blocks, or your housing association.
- Next, elect officers, create by-laws, establish a meeting schedule, and start developing a few neighborhood goals.
- Finally, complete and submit a Neighborhood Registration application form. Once selected, you will be notified in writing when to attend a City Council meeting for formal recognition and acceptance into the program.

Benefits of Registering Your Neighborhood

1. Recognized neighborhood organizations can reserve a community room for neighborhood meetings free of charge. Reservations are required and must be for the calendar year of use (January 1-December 31)
2. Receive Free printing for neighborhood fliers and newsletters (limitations apply).
3. Receive a Map specific to your neighborhood.
4. Receive information about city events, workshops and other programs and opportunities that will benefit your neighborhood.
5. Receive opportunities to participate in the Citizens Police Academy and other City sponsored programs.
6. Be assigned a City staff person and/or City official to serve as a liaison to your neighborhood to help identify solutions to problems and obtain feed back on proposed public improvement projects within the City.
7. Receive opportunities, when available, to compete for small grants to help facilitate neighborhood improvement projects.

**FOR MORE INFORMATION
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