Neighborhood Small Grants Program Awards

2019

East Tennessee Community Design Center — $3,000 to support Edgewood Park Neighborhood Association’s “Edgewood Engages” project to provide events that not only engage Edgewood Park neighbors but surrounding neighborhood groups as well, including an Easter Egg Hunt and Third Thursday music nights.

East Tennessee Community Design Center — $2,500 to support Fairmont Emoriland Neighborhood Association’s “Pollinator Garden” project.

East Tennessee Community Design Center — $2,540 to support Historic Holston Hills’ Community Club efforts to enhance “Sense of Place” by restoring historic Pillars and Obelisk Street markers.

East Tennessee Community Design Center — $3,000 to support South Haven Neighborhood Association’s Placemaking design for the intersection of Lancaster Dr. and Sevierville Pike.

Historic Fourth and Gill Neighborhood Organization -- $3,000 for a Habitat Restoration and Educational Outreach program helping them become a Certified Wildlife Habitat.

Parkridge Community Organization — $3,000 to create a Natural Play-scape area in Parkridge Park, which will also include an educational area for all ages.

Southside Waterfront Neighborhood Association — $3,000 for a “Butterfly Habitat” helping them become a Certified Butterfly Habitat.

2018

East Tennessee Community Design Center — $3,000 to support the second phase of Island Home Park Neighborhood Association’s “Branding and Beautification of Entrances” project.

East Tennessee Community Design Center — $3,000 to support Marble City Neighborhood Association’s efforts to enhance Visibility and Communication.

East Tennessee Community Design Center - $3,000 to support South Haven Neighborhood Association’s Baker Creek Area Plan to guide the neighborhood through a process to develop a plan of action as the neighborhood grows with the Urban Wilderness.
East Tennessee Community Design Center -- $3,000 to support Timbercrest Neighborhood Association’s upgrade of the neighborhood’s basketball court.

Morningside Heights Homeowners Association -- $4,200 for a Morningside Community Food Shed Project to learn about gardening and growing food for community members. This project will be in partnership with SEEED.

Oakwood Lincoln Park Neighborhood Association — $4,500 for a Community Connection Project linking the neighborhood to Sharp’s Ridge Memorial Park to increase the visibility and usability of the hiking/biking trails leading into the Park. This will be in partnership with Veterans Heritage Site Foundation.

RiverHill Gateway Neighborhood Association — $1,500 for a Celebration of the Holidays Project to improve the neighborhood’s connectedness to downtown, make their area more inviting to neighbors, and draw visitors to the E. Hill/riverfront area.

2017

This was the year that projects and funding under the Neighborhood Small Grants Program switched from a fiscal year to a calendar year.

East Tennessee Community Design Center — $3,000 to support Historic Holston Hills Community Club’s second phase in their project to enhance the accessibility and usefulness of Holston Hills Community Park.

East Tennessee Community Design Center — $3,000 for Timbercrest Neighborhood Association’s Family Friendly Park with new playground equipment to increase the number of families with children utilizing the park.

East Tennessee Community Design Center — $3,000 for Vestal Community Organization’s Vestal Gateway Park Project to revitalize the area, provide new green space, and increase pride in the area.

East Tennessee Community Design Center — $1,700 for View Park Neighborhood Watch’s Entrance Sign Project to increase their visibility, brand their neighborhood, and upgrade their look.

Historic Fourth & Gill — $1,900 for Signage Project to increase the visibility and connectedness of the Birdhouse Neighborhood Center to the neighborhood as well as add signage for the Fourth & Gill neighborhood.

Morningside Heights Homeowners Association — $3,000 for Community Center Reception Project to increase the usability of their Center by the community.

RiverHill Gateway Neighborhood Association — $4,500 for their Aesthetics Project to improve their connectedness to downtown, make their area more inviting to neighbors, and draw people to the East Hill area.
2016-2017

East Tennessee Community Design Center — $2,950 to support Adair Gardens Residents Association’s Gateways to Adair project, including outreach efforts in the neighborhood, construction and installation of neighborhood entrance signs, and landscaping.

East Tennessee Community Design Center — $1,970 to support Carriage Lane Condominium Association’s preparations for its 50th Anniversary Celebration of the development’s creation as the first condo community in the state, removal of an aging and unsightly entrance sign, and construction of a new sign.

East Tennessee Community Design Center — $600 to support Fountaincrest Neighborhood Association’s “Get the Word Out – We’re Organizing” project, including a newsletter, meeting reminder signs, meeting supplies and potluck supplies.

East Tennessee Community Design Center — $2,100 to support various youth programs in which Green Hills Residents Association is a participant, including the Leadership Knoxville Scholars Program and an annual youth conference.

East Tennessee Community Design Center — $3,100 to support Historic Holston Hills Community Club’s project to enhance the accessibility and usefulness of Holston Hills Community Park.

East Tennessee Community Design Center — $3,100 for the Inskip Community Association to cover a portion of the expenses related to the construction and maintenance of a community garden as part of its collaborative “Nurturing Gardens to Nurture Families” initiative.

East Tennessee Community Design Center — $3,100 for Island Home Park Neighborhood Association’s branding and beautification of entrances to the neighborhood.

East Tennessee Community Design Center — $3,100 to cover a portion of the costs for Lindbergh Forest Neighborhood Association’s placemaking project, including expansion of the volunteer base, installation of neighborhood signs, landscaping, clean-ups, and a neighborhood breakfast and walking tour.

East Tennessee Community Design Center — $600 for Our Community Organization’s plan for a community cook-out, a community forum, and increased attendance at neighborhood meetings in the area of Paul Hogue Park.
East Tennessee Community Design Center — $3,100 for Timbercrest Neighborhood Association’s community and communication initiatives, including the printing of fliers and newsletters, announcement signs, website hosting, folding tables, inflatable movie screen, resurfacing of a basketball court, and various supplies for community events.

Morningside Heights Homeowners Association — $955 for office equipment that will enhance production of neighborhood newsletters and for the refurbishment of the gazebo at Odd Fellows Cemetery.

Oakwood Lincoln Park Neighborhood Association — $1,850 to create and promote a 2.29-mile sidewalk loop trail that showcases 200 differently styled homes, encourages walking and healthy living, and brings neighbors together, and increase neighborhood watch activity.

Old North Knoxville, Inc. — $3,000 to cover a portion of the cost for its “Marking Our Streets and Our History” project with new street signs that include both the street name and the neighborhood name, along with landscaping around each sign.

Parkridge Community Organization — $2,000 for a PCO beautification project to plant thousands of daffodil bulbs in the grassy strips between the street and sidewalk throughout the neighborhood.

RiverHill Gateway Neighborhood Association — $3,000 for the purchase and installation of a neighborhood sign, installation of picnic tables at a community gathering spot, and a Grand Opening Celebration.

**2015-2016**

East Tennessee Community Design Center — $2,100 to support Burlington Residents Association’s Burlington Motivation Project, including a neighborhood survey of neighbors’ needs, workshops and seminars that address those needs, and a “Burlington Community Day” event.

East Tennessee Community Design Center — $1,900 to support Chilhowee Park Neighborhood Association’s efforts to improve the identity and perception of the Chilhowee Park neighborhood with neighborhood entrance signs, street sign toppers, a neighborhood brochure, and an ice cream party.

East Tennessee Community Design Center — $1,500 to provide a monthly newsletter, a laptop computer, and miscellaneous meeting expenses in support of various community building activities by Eastport/Lee Williams Neighborhood Watch.
East Tennessee Community Design Center — $750 to support Edgewood Park Neighborhood Association’s project to design, construct and install three neighborhood signs.

East Tennessee Community Design Center — $650 to support Historic Sutherland Heights Neighborhood Association’s project to landscape the Sutherland Heights neighborhood entrance sign, along with associated community-building activities.

East Tennessee Community Design Center — $400 to defray expenses related to the startup costs of the newly forming Lindbergh Forest Neighborhood Association.

East Tennessee Community Design Center — $2,600 to support Town Hall East’s project to enhance the third section of Tank Strickland Park.

Fourth and Gill Neighborhood Organization — $2,500 to support the group’s ARToberfest event, a workshop for other neighborhood groups on event planning, and construction of a shed to store garden tools and other items for the Birdhouse Community Garden and the Birdhouse Neighborhood Center.

Mechanicsville Community Association — $2,800 to defray costs for the design, construction and installation of a neighborhood marquee sign, along with associated community-building activities.

South Knoxville Foundation — $2,400 to support Old Sevier Community Group’s creation of a Monarch Butterfly Waystation on the grounds of the South Knoxville Elementary School.

Oakwood Lincoln Park Neighborhood Association — $2,500 to design and furnish the interior of the neighborhood’s Clubhouse to create a “Neighborhood Living Room” that would serve as a gathering place for neighborhood residents and a more inviting venue for events, classes, tutoring sessions, children’s games, potluck suppers and other free activities.

Parkridge Community Organization — $2,800 for its “Making Identity and History: Signage for Parkridge” project, including two neighborhood entrance signs and street signs marking at the intersections of the “Historic Edgewood - Park City” historic overlay district.