

City of Tacoma – Neighborhood Council Program NEIGHBORHOOD SMALL INNOVATIVE GRANTS 2015/2016 Application

Print application, fill out all sections and submit two copies with appropriate attachment(s).

Please complete the following and attach the requested information. (Note: This application is subject to public review and disclosure.)
Name of Submitting Neighborhood:
Proctor Neighborhood
Name of Submitting Organization:
Proctor Community Garden
Neighborhood Council Area:
North End Neighborhood Council
Project Name
Everyone Gets to Garden at PCG
Project Location with map and/or photo
Proctor Community Garden - intersection of N. 21st and N. Proctor streets
(be specific with address, intersections or name of location if relevant)
Primary Project Manager: Linda McCone
Mailing Address: 811 N. I Street, Tacoma, WA 98403
Telephone No.253-572-2875 E-mail address Lmccone@harbornet.com
Project Manager (2): Clive Anderson
Telephone No.253-565-3441 E-mail address canderson@nventure.com
Is this the first time you have applied for an Innovative Grant? 🛛 Yes 🗖 No
Total Innovative Grant allocation requested \$\$4,000

Please complete the following information. If additional space is needed, use a separate sheet and reference the response by number.

PROJECT IMPACT

- 1. Please describe the neighborhood benefit or problem being addressed by this project. Gardening has become a increasingly popular activity as people seek local, fresh, organic foods as well as opportunities to interact with their neighbors. Increased access is a priority. Recent changes at PCG have created some challenges. The fences were replaced which enlarged the garden but required the construction of additional pathways. The water lines at PCG were replaced which left the pathways uneven, rugged and sometimes dangerous to navigate. There is a need for security for tools and equipment onsite, particularly for apartment dwellers as theft has unfortunately become a problem; and for more accessible plots for our less physically able gardeners. Lastly, there is no place at the garden to hold classes, potlucks or community events.
- 2. Please describe recent methods or attempts taken by your neighborhood to address the problem stated above.

We changed our garden governance to streamline decision-making and to address these issues. We conducted a garden-wide assessment to identify and prioritize needs and began by utilizing garden dues and work-parties to straighten, level, line and fill pathways in the garden. We will finish this process by planting grass. We began tracking theft and vandalism and invited an officer from the TPD to speak at an all-garden meeting on safety. We have built 4 ADA raised beds and have plans to build at least 4 more. We've improved communication between gardeners by holding meetings, and through social-media (website, facebook and twitter).

3. How will the impacted neighborhood be involved in the planning and implementation of this project? Please summarize your community outreach plans.

We have reached out to the local business community visiting 20 different stores to explain our project. We've also reached out to the Proctor Station Project to extend an invitation to future residents to apply for garden sites. This year we will hold an orientation for new gardeners and provide the opportunity for gardeners to work with mentors. We will hold gardening classes along with garden events to showcase our harvest once we have a meeting site. The garden community has been involved in the planning from the beginning.

4. Are there project components that others in the neighborhood may disagree with and if so, what have you done to address these concerns?

The garden site is owned by the City of Tacoma and administered by Metro Parks. We have consulted with Metro Parks and received permission for garden improvements.

Is this project in a Neighborhood Business District? (see map)
No Yes; if yes, a letter of support must be attached.
Is this project sited on property that is NOT a City-owned street or sidewalk?
No Yes; if yes, a letter of support must be attached

PROJECT IMPLEMENTATION

Briefly describe your plans for implementation/installation of this project, including resources needed, and how the community might be involved.

- Order shed and overhang to be constructed onsite
- Organize work party to level the shed area and remove obstacles for construction
- · Build cubbies inside the shed for individual storage for gardeners
- Organize a work party to paint shed
- Construct a prep area with sink outside the shed for produce preparation and storage for food bank donations
- Continue pathway improvements through work parties
- · Construct more raised bed boxes
- Plant grass on pathways and in community meeting area.
- Acquire community tools to accommodate bicyclists and older gardeners.

Target dat Summer	e for project construction/implementation to begin: 2015
	e for project to be completed (must be within 18 months of award): Fall 2015
Projected replaced:	ife of the improvement before it would need to be repaired, removed, or 20 years
	te if you do not identify a project life cycle, one will be assigned based on City of experience)

PROJECT OPERATIONS & MAINTENANCE

Please describe any ongoing activities and/or costs associated with this project after completion and the plan for how they will be accomplished and/or paid for. Possible examples: on-going watering, pruning and maintenance of new trees or structural maintenance and possible graffiti removal of a community garden element such as a fence or a shed. Please note, by granting funds for your project, the City of Tacoma does not guarantee the maintenance of your project. Any application for a physical improvement project submitted without an adequate operations and maintenance plan will not be considered eligible for funding.

Maintenance of the garden is the responsibility of gardeners and will be carried out through mandatory garden work parties and supported by member dues and donations. Some ongoing maintenance activities include:

- · Possible painting and minor repair of shed and overhang including graffiti removal
- Regular lawn mowing of paths and meeting area
- · Repair or replacement of wooden structures as needed

PROJECT FEASIBILITY (CAN IT BE DONE!)

This section is meant to show the applicant has received permission from those impacted by the project and that considerations have been made on how to successfully implement your project through a thoughtful and realistic budget and maintenance plan. If you have questions on who the right City staff person or agency or impacted group might be for obtaining permission (signature or letter of support), please contact one of our Program Development Specialists **Kala Dralle at 573-2523 or Allyson Griffith at 591-5119.**

Demonstrate Public Property Permission: The site of this project as listed in this
application has been reviewed and approved by the appropriate City of Tacoma staff prior to application being submitted and/or by the abutting property owner and/or neighborhood
Dept/Agency Marks Tarons Representative Joe Brany
Comments
- 222
Signature Date 4/29/15 Phone / email joe 5 @ tacoma partes.com
Impacted Neighborhood Group/Business District Letter of Support Attached: Yes No
Impacted Property Owner Letter of Support Attached: Yes No
Demonstrate an Adequate Budget: The grant funding and project budget is adequate to cover all costs of labor, equipment, material, and overhead associated with the construction/installation.
Dept/Agency Marco Parks TATOMA Representative JOE Brany
Comments
Signature Date4 29 15
Signature Date 4/29/15 Phone /email
Operations and Maintenance (O&M): Applicant has identified an adequate plan and budget for ongoing O&M: Yes \(\Q_i\) No
Costs associated with the ongoing O&M for this project are available in the operating budgets of this department/agency. Yes No
Dept/Agency Meteo Parks Taxona Representative JOE BRADY
Comments MPT will supply print - graffitt to be covered up by garden members with 48 hrs. Sixt construction details must be approved by MPT prior to construction.
Signature Date 4 29 15 Phone # 305 -1014
Please be sure to include required attachments:
Map and/or photo of project location
Required letters of support (Impacted Neighborhood Group, Neighborhood Business District, Abutting Property Owner, Additional Funding Partners – including in-kind)

PROJECT BUDGET

List all **costs** associated with completing this project from start to finish. Costs you may want to consider, depending on your project, are permits/insurance/fees, design/engineering, preparation of site, production, materials, labor, installation, disposal, professional services, equipment rental, sales tax, etc.

Then list all sources of **funds** that will finance this project; including the amount of grant funds being requested and the type of and amount of <u>your matching contribution (minimum 10%)</u>, which may include in-kind contributions or funds from your organization or any other grants, sponsors, donations, volunteers. Volunteer hourly rates are currently estimated at \$26.72 per hour (based on the Independent Sector Value of Volunteer Time)

cost component basic shed		mount	sources of funds/ matching contributions	amount	
		3,138.00	garden dues		500.00
window, vents,	- 100		Fran Anderson bequest		1,000.00
roof overhang			volunteer labor		2,000.00
shelf & sink (materials)		300.00			
plywood for inside shelves					
sales tax on materials		478.00			
labor		2,000.00	Innovative Grant request		4012.00
TOTAL	\$	7,512.00	Match % _47 TOTAL	\$	7,512.00

[☐] Check here if you have attached your project budget on a separate sheet of paper.

BUDGET EXAMPLE

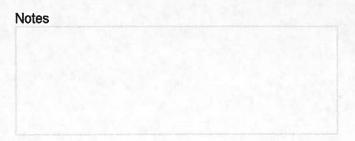
Project: Community Garden

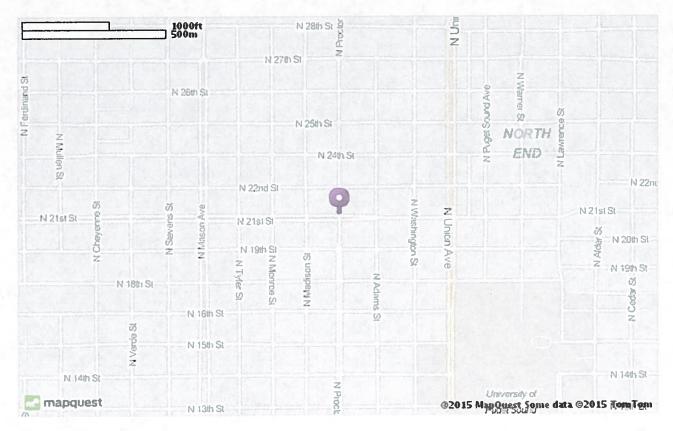
cost component	amount	sources of funds/ matching contributions	amount
Fence - wood rail	\$4842	"Grow R Garden" Bake Sale	250
Raised garden beds	1000	Volunteer labor (100 hrs)	\$2000
Compost area and beds	300 8		
Signage	400		
Gravel and landscaping materials	150		
Sales tax for materials	623		
labor	2000	Innovative Grant request	7065
TOTAL	\$9315	Match % 31 TOTAL	\$9315

IMPORTANT NOTE: This type of project, where materials are being purchased, constructed and installed by the neighborhood group, will require the applicant to purchase the materials up front, and then submit paid receipts for reimbursement once project is completed.

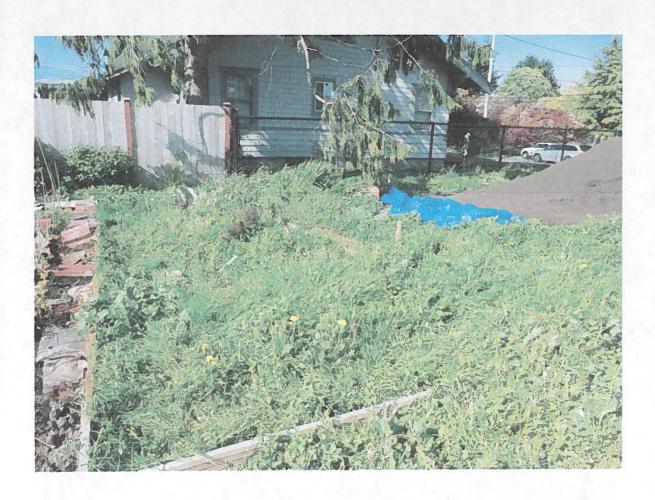


Map of: N 21st St & N Proctor St Tacoma, WA 98406





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Plots set aside for the shed & meeting area – 24' x 26'

