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Neighborhood Grant Workshop
Landscaping and Environmental
Impact Projects



Neighborhood Grant Program

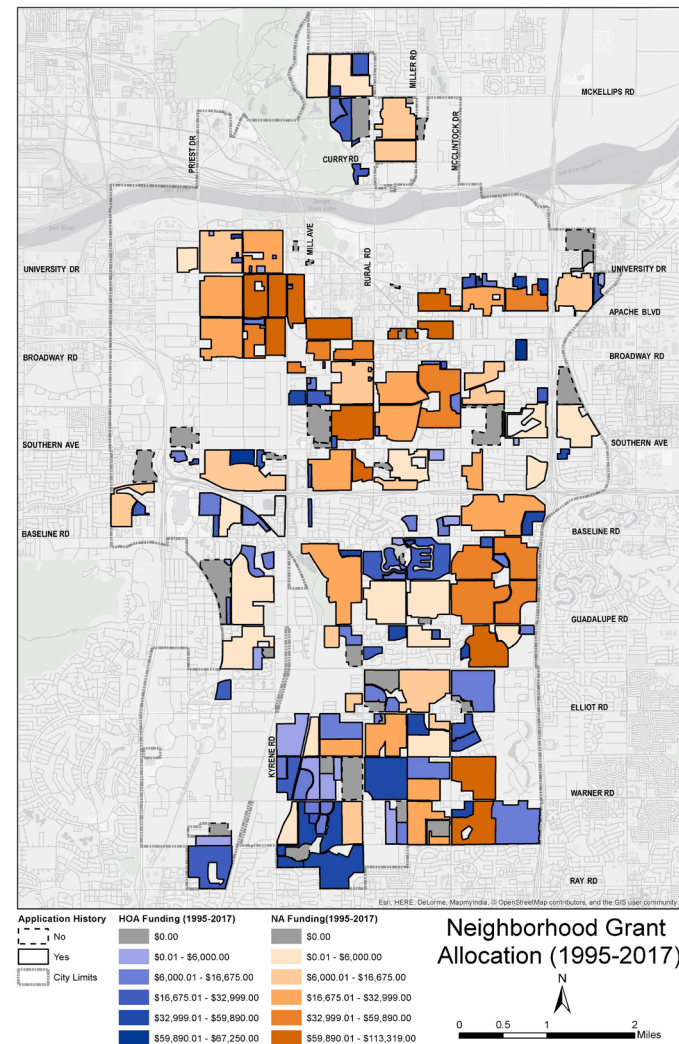
Goal: Provides residents with an opportunity to come together to improve their neighborhood



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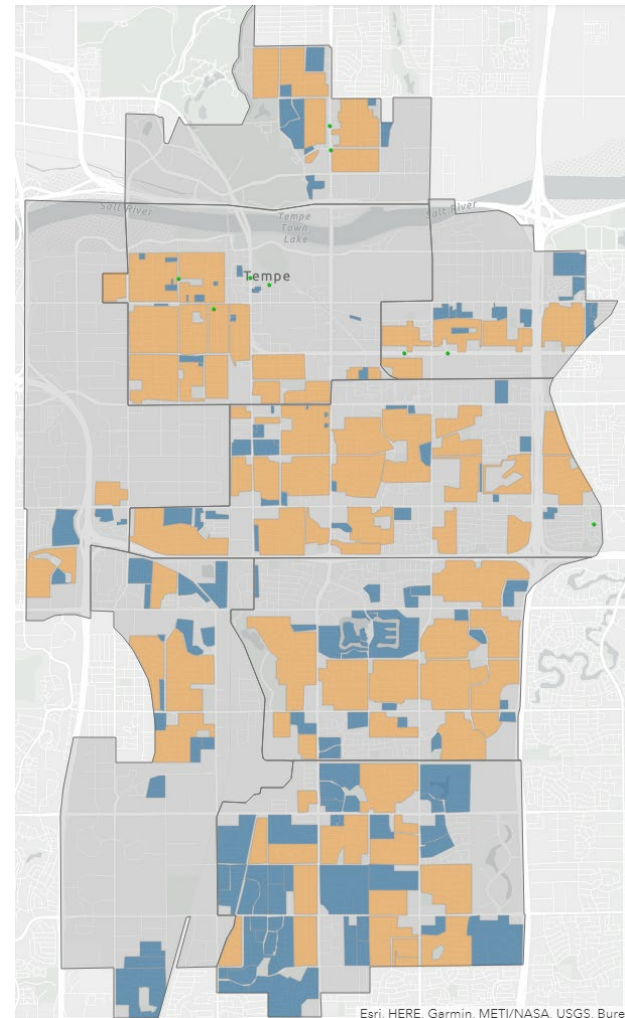
Funding

- Since 1994, 660 projects completed and over \$4.8 million invested
- NEW this cycle, \$350,000 anticipated to be available with possible additional funds for water conservation projects
- NEW this cycle, **Maximum grant amount is \$20,000**
- A **match of at least 25%** of the requested funds is required for HOAs and certified Crime Free Multi-Housing communities



Who can apply?

- Currently 83 neighborhood and 139 homeowners' associations have registered with the City – must be registered to apply



What can you apply for?

- A capital project that benefits the entire neighborhood and is a one-time expenditure completed by June 30, 2023.

What can't you apply for?

- Requests may not be for maintenance projects such as entry gates, roofing repair, common ground and pool maintenance, painting, road repair (for private streets) etc.
- Project maintenance or operation costs or items identified as a code violation

Who do I involve?

- Community involvement must happen early on and throughout the project process.
- All residents of the community:
 - must be notified of the opportunity to apply for a grant
 - provided a chance to propose and comment on project ideas
 - be included in the final selection of the project



What do I submit?

- Application Form
- All project types:
 - ✓ required # of bids for your grant ask amount
 - ✓ “before” pictures, aerials from Google
 - ✓ plans
 - ✓ proof of community involvement and neighborhood approvals
- Specific mandatory requirements for your project type

What is evaluated?

Quality

- clear and detailed
- engages the neighborhood
- completeness of application
- budget is specific and accurate

Ability

- ability to complete the project during the fiscal year
- addresses how project will be maintained in the future

Impact

- provides an environmental benefit (i.e. water and/or energy conservation, shade)
- enhances the aesthetics
- improves health and safety
- addresses a known neighborhood deficiency
- complements other projects (private or City)

Grant rating sheet

Project Description	requested	Score	Amount Approved	Comments
Art Projects				
Artistic irrigation landscapes	\$ 10,000.00			
Artistic Bench		33.30		
Art in median	\$ 10,000.00			
Art in median	\$ 10,000.00	33.63		
Landscape Projects				
Smart irrigation controllers	\$ 10,000.00			
Smart irrigation controllers		35.06		
Entry Improvements				
Xeroscape improvements - common areas	\$ 3,241.50			
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Turf removal & xeroscape improvements	\$ 8,126.94			
Olive tree removal	\$ 10,000.00	34.27		
Arterial landscape	\$ 8,642.00			
High efficiency sprinkler heads	\$ 10,000.00	34.27		
Xeroscape improvements - main park/pool area	\$ 8,510.24			
Tree planting in yards	\$ 10,000.00	35.64		
Tree planting in yards	\$ 6,226.78			
Tree planting in yards		29.56		
Park Projects				
shade structure		32.18		
Park Improvements				
Park improvements	\$ 20,000.00			
trash receptacles	\$ 40,000.00	33.07		
gathering plaza	\$ 4,180.20			
soccer goals	\$ 9,935.00	34.36		
skate park	\$ 8,300.00			
playground improvements	\$ 10,000.00	33.29		
playground improvements	\$ 9,900.00			
playground improvements		30.43		
Signage Projects				
Neighborhood identification signs	\$ 9,900.00			
Neighborhood identification signs		31.29		
Neighborhood identification signs		30.93		
Monument Signage				
entry feature/sign	\$ 1,836.00			
entry feature/sign	\$ 2,368.46			
entry feature/sign		37.19		
Wall/Fence Projects				
common area wall improvements	\$ 1,944.00			
common area wall improvements		32.18		
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Coordinate efforts with other associations



- Submit a joint application that combines resources for mutually beneficial community projects
- Any combination of neighborhood and homeowners' associations can partner together on improvements that benefit all members of the community

Street trees projects

University Estates neighborhood



Street trees projects



Brentwood Cavalier neighborhood



Escalante neighborhood

Street trees projects



College Ave: Brentwood Cavalier
neighborhood



George Ditch: University
Park neighborhood

Park trees projects

Meyer Park

Hallman Park



Park trees projects

Optimist Park



Daley Park



other ideas...

shade



Selleh Park

Floating island
habitats



Butterfly
garden

other ideas...



Escalante
Community
Garden:
Cistern



solar
lighting

other ideas...



bike racks

Community Gardens



Clark Park Community Garden

rented garden beds



Ellertson Wilson Community Garden

community garden space

Community Gardens



Escalante
Community
Garden

Repurposed parking lot at Daley Park



parking lot transformation



Bocce Court



other ideas...



Repurposed concrete pad - skate park

Contemplative
maze

Watershed Management



Before

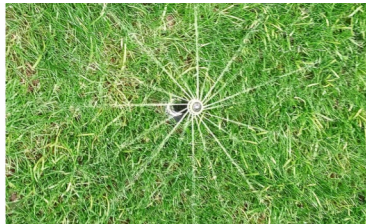


After

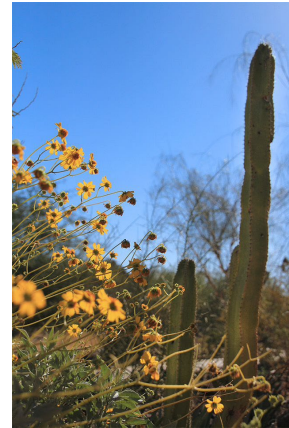
Water conservation



High efficiency
irrigation



xeriscaping



Non-grant projects

rainwater in basin; as demonstration,
also installed cistern



Lemon and Dorsey LID

Other types of possible projects...



Neighborhood
ID signs



park
improvements

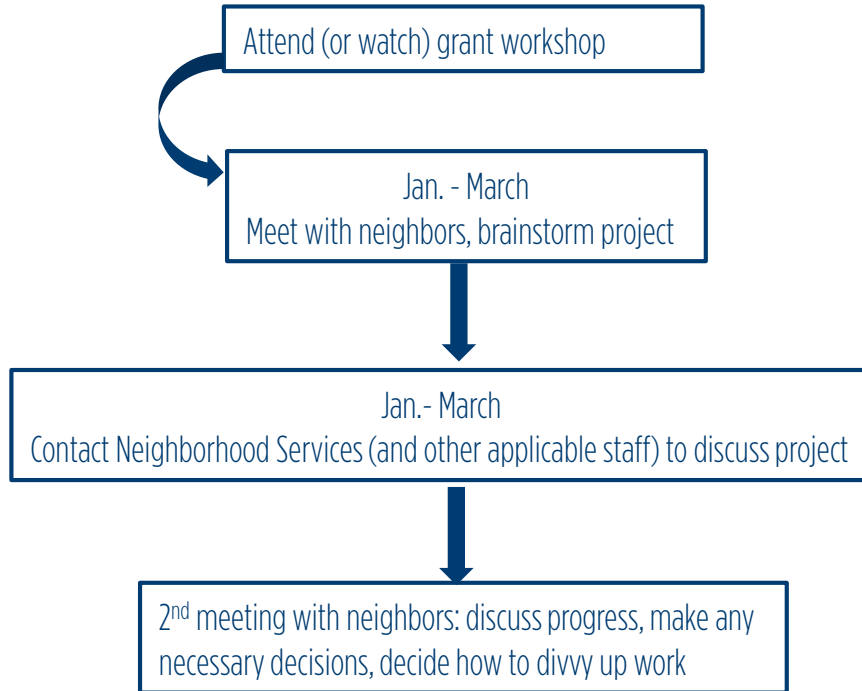


art



traffic
calming

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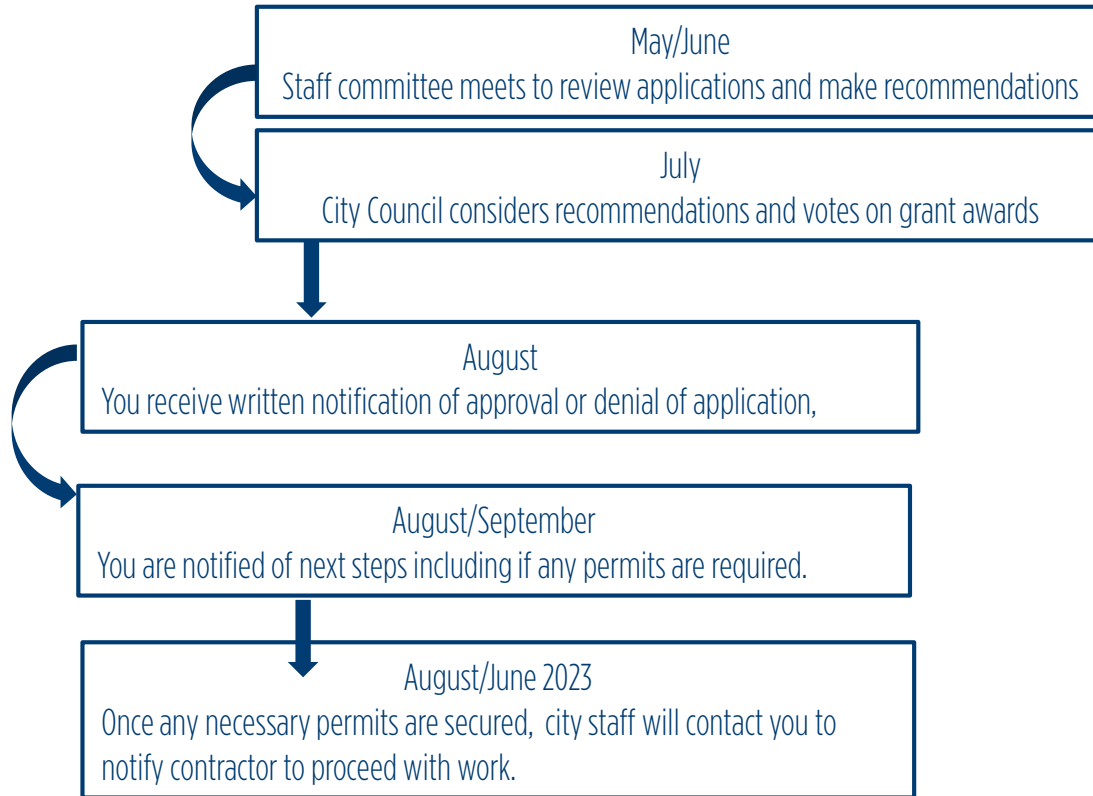


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APRIL 25, 2022 – SUBMIT YOUR GRANT APPLICATION
to Neighborhood Services

Grant Process: **AFTER** submitting your grant application



What is the timeline?

- Connect with neighbors to choose a project Jan. – Feb. 2022
- Contact Neighborhood Services & Traffic Engineering Jan. – Feb. 2022
- Data collection / studies Jan. – late Feb. 2022
- Grant applicants seek approvals from neighbors Feb. - March 2022
- Applicant seeks bids March – April 2022
- **GRANT DEADLINE** **MONDAY, APRIL 25, 2022 by 5 PM**
- Neighborhood Grant panel review May/June 2022
- City Council review and approval Late Summer 2022
- Projects must be completed **JUNE 30, 2023**

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- Sustainability Office: Braden Kay; Braden_Kay@tempe.gov
- Neighborhood Services: neighborhoods@tempe.gov



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Questions?

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