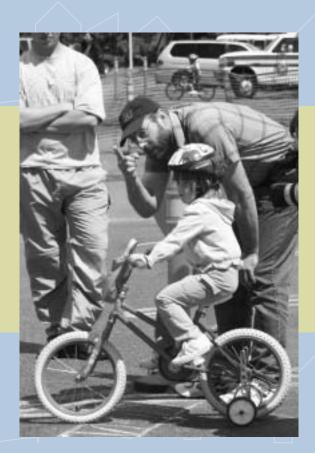
RESIDENT INVOLVEMENT The City

is committed to promoting and sustaining an environment that is responsive to resident involvement. The goal of the Neighborhood Program is to build partnerships between the City and its residents. Staff and resources are available to help your neighborhood get involved in this program. To find out about any of these opportunities, please call Toni Azzola, Neighborhood Program Coordinator at 253-856-5708 or email her at tazzola@ci.kent.wa.us







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NEIGHBORHOOD

RECOGNITION The City of Kent wants to recognize the unique neighborhoods in the community and encourage residents to get involved in building their neighborhood's strength and vitality. When your neighborhood forms a Neighborhood Council, it receives:

- Staff to work with your neighborhood in organizing and working with the City
- Information about your neighborhood on the City's Web site
- Publicity for neighborhood events on Kent TV21, the City's cable access station
- Technical assistance, workshops, and information about neighborhood events



NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCILS

Neighborhood Councils are formed and used as a means to improve communication and provide opportunities for residents to participate in the civic process.

The first step....

Share your ideas. Talk with others on your block, your friends and neighbors who would enjoy having a better neighborhood. When folks are ready to give a bit of their time to form a group and take action...

Then...

Call Us. We will meet with your group and help you with planning and creating your Neighborhood Council. Once the basic group is formed; you will hold...

Your First Meeting...

The City has everything you'll need to help you find a name for your group, set boundaries and goals, elect officers and create bylaws. We'll share ways to help your group move into action and to make everyone's work easier and more satisfying.

Now You're a Neighborhood Council

Your work as a group will bring recognition from the City Council that you have met the goals for becoming a Neighborhood Council. As such, your neighborhood can take advantage of all the opportunities offered by the Program.

NEIGHBORHOOD

GRANT PROGRAM The Grant Program offers matching funds on a competitive basis to neighborhood groups that organize themselves to develop and implement projects that will enhance the livability of their communities. Examples of neighborhood projects eligible for funding include:

- Improvements or identity signage for neighborhood entries and gateways
- Landscaping of traffic islands and streetscapes
- Beautification of trails or play areas
- Community gardens
- Historical markers
- Newsletters
- Neighborhood events

Grant applications may be downloaded from www.KentNeighborhoodProgram.com

