

Marquette Neighborhood Association Neighborhood Enhancement Grant – Application Guidelines for 2017

MNA Neighborhood Enhancement Grants are small grants that will be given to individuals or non-profit organizations to finance innovative and inspiring projects that improve the quality of life in our neighborhood. MNA has made available a total of \$5,000 in 2017 to support these projects.

Suggested Project Areas of Focus Include:

- recreational or educational opportunities
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- neighborhood beautification
- green initiatives
- programs for teens or seniors

Eligibility:

- innovative and creative ideas are welcomed: grant funds are intended to support new rather than existing programs
- individuals and groups without 501(c)3 status that can demonstrate a well-considered program concept that will serve the Marquette Neighborhood are encouraged to apply
- if applying as a non-profit, organizations headquartered within the Marquette neighborhood will be given special priority
- funds are available for program and capital projects
- funds are NOT available for endowments, general operating expenses, religious purposes, or lobbying efforts

The application procedure:

- name of the person or organization, with address, email, and phone number
- a brief description of the project, including purpose, goals, and the audience to be served by the program, along with a time frame for completion
- project budget (including other sources of funding, if applicable)
- letters of support from neighbors, if warranted
- tax exempt award letter, if applying as a 501(c)3 organization
- proposals should be no more than 2 pages, plus a budget

Priority will be given to projects that:

- foster collaboration among individuals, organizations, and/or businesses
- promote community resident participation and engagement
- encourage diversity

End of Project Report: MNA requires a brief project report (one page or less) showing how the objectives were achieved and the funds were spent.

Project Submission Date: Applications are due by August 31, 2017 and should be submitted electronically to president@marquette-neighborhood.org.