Orchard Hills Neighborhood Association

Summary of Proposed Activities 2025

What are the intended outcomes of the project? (community engagement, beautification, sense of identity, etc)*

The focus for this year is on increasing neighborhood engagement. The goal is to create a vibrant community where people are actively involved, feedback is shared, voices are heard, and contributions are valued.

What are the proposed activities that will help achieve the intended outcomes? (block party, community garden, neighborhood signs, etc)*

Activities include gathering input from neighbors on things they would like to see and participate in, as well as potential future neighborhood improvements. To do this, we want to utilize every avenue to "Get the word out." New signage will be created with plastic inserts to advertise all neighborhood events including neighborhood meetings, holiday fun and block parties and be strategically placed throughout the entire neighborhood. Flyers will be distributed to all households, listing the annual events scheduled along with how to contact us and keep up to date with neighborhood and city activities.

Community Pride & Identity

Welcome baskets for new homeowners will be given with a printout of annual activities, social media pages and our email address with encouragement to join. Coupons for local restaurants and shops will be included to highlight just how special West Allis is.

We also take pride in our neighborhood and need to repair signage at the entrances due to the crumbling rock structure. We have 3 signs in total and would start with the sign at 3108 S. 119th. Demolishing the rock, repainting the existing signage and creating a new brick surround would be ideal.

Events

Neighborhood Night Out Pizza Block Party Halloween Trick or Treat Easter Egg Candy Hunt Neighborhood Garage Sale House Decorating Contest – Halloween and Christmas Neighborhood Christmas Tree

Administrative

Printing costs – we plan to use the City's Print Services and Graphic Innovations to take advantage of the city's discounts for neighborhoods. The group discussed crossposting events with other neighborhoods and posting local events on the OHNA Facebook page and via email to keep everyone informed.

How will you know you were successful? (20% increase in neighborhood association membership, 2 new art installations in the community garden, 5 new street pole signs, etc)*

Success will be measured by increased community engagement, with a goal of 20% participation, approximately 50 households regularly participating and contributing new ideas for future years.

Anticipated financial costs per activity, including vendor or service provider. (Include as much detail as possible)* **(See Attached)**

ORCHARD HILLS NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION			
Community Impact Grant Spending Forecast			
	Food	Other	TOTAL
COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT			
Neighborhood Night Out Event (Pizza - Domino's):	\$200.00	\$0.00	
BEAUTIFICATION			
Sign improvement	\$0.00	\$803.00	
NEIGHBORHOOD IDENTITY			
Christmas Tree (Sanfelippo's)	\$0.00	\$50.00	
Yard Signage 25 corrugated – double sided with 8x11 plastic sleeves (Graphic Innovations)	\$0.00	\$562.50	
300 Printed Flyers 8x11 Color (City Print Services)	\$0.00	\$24.00	
Printing for event inserts 8x11/50 each event (City Print)	\$0.00	\$10.50	
Baskets for New Homeowners (under \$15 each) (Dollar Tree): Estimated price	\$0.00	\$300.00	
Garage Sale Banner (Amazon)	\$0.00	\$50.00	
GRANT EXPENSES TOTAL:	\$200.00	\$1800.00	\$2,000.00