

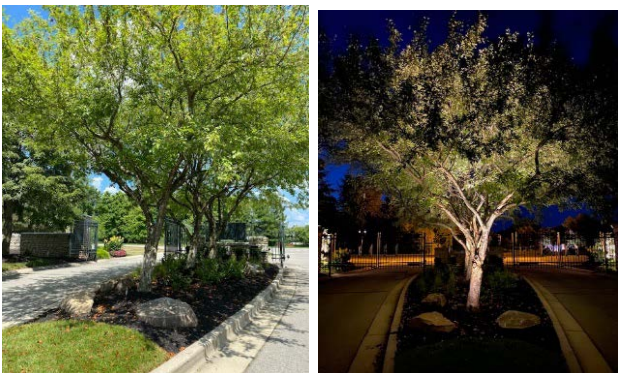


Neighborhood Vibrancy Grant

The purpose of this grant is to provide funding for creative and innovative ideas that make our community a more beautiful place to live, and that will impact the lives of the community at large in a smart, vibrant, and entrepreneurial manner.

Eligibility

- Neighborhoods groups, homeowners, and HOAs within Fishers City Limits
- Project must be visible and impact the local community
- Priority will be given to projects that have a focus on the following categories: **Neighborhood Beautification, Public Space Improvements, Recreation & Public Health, and Environmental & Agricultural.** However, any ideas that meet the eligibility requirements are encouraged to apply. Examples include:
 - Subdivision Entrance Beautification
 - Tree Plantings within Common Areas
 - Playground Equipment
 - Seating Areas (benches, community shelter)
 - Walking Trails and Sidewalks
 - Community Gardens
 - Native Plant Restoration
- Funding must be used towards costs of a project which involves design, construction, or installation. Priority is given to projects that will have the greatest visibility and positive effect on Fishers as a community. Projects located inside the public right-of-way are subject to additional review and approval.



Entrance landscaping at Arbor Glen Village



Entrance landscaping at Indigo Lake



Little free library serving Sunblest Neighborhood



Community Garden

Application Requirements

Applications must be submitted by January 31st. Incomplete or late applications will not be reviewed.

- Completed [online application](#).
- [Registration](#) of Homeowner's Association, if applicable.
- A brief essay detailing how the project will impact the community, how the project aligns with the [Fishers 2040 Comprehensive Plan](#), and how you plan to acquire local support and involvement.
- Location map clearly indicating the location of proposed improvements.
- Photographs of project area and drawings and/or plans show the complete project.
- Verification of cost, such as a contractor bid verifying total cost of improvements.
- Detailed project budget with itemized list of project costs and revenue sources; Please see budget detail sheet.
- All planting plans must specify scientific names, including genus and species (and cultivar when available); Planting projects must comply with the [City of Fishers Planting Guide and Urban Forestry Program](#).

Grant Overview

- This is a matching grant. Applicant must provide at least 50% of the total cost of the project.
- Maximum amount to be awarded is \$5,000.
- Grant funds will be issued in full upon execution of a Memorandum of Understanding with the City of Fishers.
- If awarded, applicants will submit a **Final Report** to the City in November.

Grant Selection Process

Applications will be reviewed by the Neighborhood Vibrancy Committee. The Committee's recommendation is provided to the Board of Public Works for review and approval.

While reviewing applications, special consideration is given to:

- Vibrant and innovative ideas that are unique.
- The potential impact of the grant and number of people to benefit from the project.
- Evidence of commitment to the project and the ability to see the project through completion.
- Project consistency with Fishers 2040 Comprehensive Plan and established community guidelines.
- Necessity and sustainability of project.

Application and Awarding Process

- Grant Applications Open: November 15 at 8:30 AM EST
- Grant Applications Close: January 31 at 11:59 PM EST
- All awarded applicants will be notified via electronic and standard mail, typically in March, after Board of Public Works approval.

Final Report

Awarded projects will submit a report of its completed project to the City. A report of the project will include:

- Brief description of the project.
- The total number of participants and those impacted.
- Final project budget.
- Up to five (5) photos of the project so that the City can share its success with the greater community.

A New Name and Updates for 2022!

	2021	2022
	Vibrant Neighborhood Matching Grant	Neighborhood Vibrancy Grant
Who can apply?	HOA's and individuals (although a priority is given to HOA's as their projects typically affect a larger number of people)	Neighborhoods groups, homeowners, and HOAs within Fishers City Limits
What types of projects are eligible/ encouraged?	Projects that will either enhance a neighborhood's appearance or otherwise improve the community. Typically used for small scale, subdivision specific projects.	Projects are encouraged that fit into the following categories: Neighborhood Beautification, Public Space Improvements, Recreation & Public Health, and Environmental & Agricultural. This grant is looking for innovative projects with unique ideas that impact many Fishers citizens.
Application deadline	Deadline Jan. 31 / Reimbursement in Nov. after project completion	Deadline Jan. 31 / Final Report due in Nov. after project completion
Where can projects be located?	Interior projects are considered, but priority is given to projects along roadway corridors that will have the greatest impact on the community.	Interior projects are considered, but priority is given to projects that will have the greatest impact on the community.
Purpose	City Beautification	City Beautification and innovative problem solving to create a more sustainable, and visually appealing Fishers.



**Neighborhood Vibrancy Grant
Budget Detail Sheet**

Project Name: _____

Project Costs:

Description:	Cost:
	\$
	\$
	\$
	\$
	\$
Total:	\$

If work will be partially or fully implemented by professional contractors, please attach a quote.

Project Funding:

Funding from organization	\$
Funding from other sources	\$
Donated goods or services value	\$
Total:	\$

Overall Cost of Project:

Total cost of project	\$
Less funding from other sources	\$
Total	\$

Requested Grant Amount: \$ _____