

City of Longmont
Community & Neighborhood Resources
Discover Neighbor, Discover Home Grant

Map your block or neighborhood and get to know your neighbors.
We will give you grant money to create a social event for your neighbors to get to know each other.

Studies confirm what our instincts tell us.

“It’s good to know our neighbors.”

Among other things, we know that:

- The largest study ever undertaken on the causes of crime and delinquency has found there are lower rates of violence in neighborhoods with a strong sense of trust, common values and cohesion among neighbors.
- With hectic schedules, we spend more time “cocooning” inside our homes. Many can afford service that we never could before, and as a consequence, we don’t meet our neighbors.
- People with the weakest social ties have significantly higher death rate than their counterparts who are more socially involved. The risk is comparable to two-pack-a-day smokers.

So how do you take that first step to get to know your neighbors? The best way is to start small, with the folks who live the closest to you. And as you approach that first door, we’re here to help you travel as far as you want to go! Make the commitment to spend an hour or two to “map” your block.

That’s all it takes!

Sketch out a map of your immediate area with squares representing surrounding homes or apartments, or get a map of your block from Community & Neighborhood Resources. Then you and your neighbors can circulate the map, filling in the squares with a minimum of name, address, and phone number. You can add any additional information your neighbors are comfortable sharing, such as:

- Children, their ages and pets;
- Phone numbers in case of emergency; and
- Any tools or skills that can be shared with others.

By completing this simple exercise, you’re well on your way. If you stop here, you’ve got a great little tool to use in the event of a lost pet, drained car battery, or forgotten name.

We would like to reward you for your mapping efforts.
Depending on the number of households you “map” on your block,
we have several free services from which you can choose one!

We want to thank you for your commitment to our community!

Grants available:

◆If you map 6 to 11 homes

Easy Block Party Kit

CNR will reimburse you for food for your block party up to \$50 and copy flyers advertising your block party. Our Good Neighboring Resource Guide can provide ideas to help you get to know each other. For a [Block Party Street Closure Application](#) please call 303-651-8444.

Have a Neighborhood Garage Sale

CNR will pay for your ad in the local newspaper and copy flyers advertising your neighborhood's sale for up to \$50.

Mini-grant up to \$50

For any social event or project benefiting your block. (You may join with one other neighbor who maps his or her block and combine a maximum of two maps for extra grant money, up to \$100).

◆If you map 12 or more homes

Mini-grant up to \$100

For any social event or project benefiting your block. (You may join with one other neighbor who maps his or her block and combine a maximum of two maps for extra grant money, up to \$200).

Tree planting party

Enjoy the shade from up to three new trees on public property or HOA common area in your neighborhood. City Foresters will give you information to help you choose the sites and help you with information on how to do the planting. You will be reimbursed for up to \$100 for the purchase of trees.

Eligibility:

- Any Longmont resident willing to map their block or neighborhood.
- Typical projects; Ice Cream Social, Block Party, Potluck, Common area flower or vegetable garden.
- A maximum of two grants can be combined for a single neighborhood event.
- A block or a neighborhood may receive funding for one grant per calendar year.
- Only maps created as part of the Discover Neighbors program are accepted. Previously created neighborhood directories are ineligible.
- Request for Discover Neighborhood grants must be submitted at least two weeks prior to your event.
- Neighborhood Resources Program determines the eligibility of all Discover Neighborhood grants.
- Projects that are for maintenance or upkeep, projects that have already been completed, projects that benefit only one property owner or have limited block benefit will not be eligible for funding.

Grant Terms and Conditions:

- Please allow 12 – 15 working days for your grant to be processed by Community & Neighborhood Resources Office.
- Applications are accepted at anytime during the calendar year.
- All grants must be utilized for projects benefiting the entire block or neighborhood.
- Block party or street closure permits are required for all events requiring street closure. Contact the City Clerk's office at 303-651-8649 for a Use Of Public Places Permit Application. (Allow 15 days for review).

To request a Discover Neighbor, Discover Home Grant packet call 303-651-8721 or send an e-mail to

Jon Clarke at jon.clarke@ci.longmont.co.us

we will need you name, address, and phone number to process your request.

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Neighborhood Resources Program
Discover Neighbor, Discover Home Grant Application

Block or Neighborhood description: _____ Date: _____

Contact Person: _____ Daytime Phone: _____

Address: _____

Number of Households that will benefit from this event/program? _____

How many people will be involved in planning this event? _____

Date of the event/program _____ Number of Residents expected to participate: _____

Grant Applying for: _____

Activity Location _____

Activity Description: _____

How does this event/program benefit your Block/Neighborhood? _____

How will this event be publicized? _____

Please describe the timetable for implementing this event/program. _____

Is there any on-going maintainance required for this project? ___ No, ___ Yes, if yes please describe. _____

How will you evaluate the success of the activity? _____

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Detailed Estimated Budget

Please complete this budget sheet. Include a detailed description of each item, the amount of the item, and its cost. If cost is recouped in a donation please make that indication.

If you are receiving in-kind or actual monetary donations please indicate the cost and the value of the items donated.

Item description _____ Cost: _____ Donation: _____

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Totals; Cost: _____ Donation: _____

Total Grant Amount Requested _____

Volunteer Hours

_____ Number of Volunteers

_____ Average number of hours for each volunteer

_____ Total volunteer hours

List estimated costs and then submit original receipts and reimbursement form after event!

Please return this application to:

Community & Neighborhood Resources
City of Longmont
350 Kimbark Street
Longmont, CO 80501

For more information call Jon Clarke, Neighborhood Resources Coordinator, at 303-651-8721 or e-mail jon.clarke@ci.longmont.co.us
Maps for mapping your block can be hand drawn or contact the Neighborhood Resources Program for a computer generated map.

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REIMBURSEMENT REQUEST FORM

Block Description and/or Neighborhood: _____

Activity: _____ **Date of Activity:** _____

Reimbursement Amount Requested: \$ _____

Make check payable to: _____

(Name)

(Address, and Zip Code)

(Phone number)

(today's date)

Please submit a reimbursement request for each check recipient and attach the **original invoices and/or receipts** with each reimbursement request. The City of Longmont will **not** reimburse for purchase of alcoholic beverages.

Mail, or bring Reimbursement Requests to: City of Longmont
Attn: Jon Clarke
Community & Neighborhood Resources
350 Kimbark Street
Longmont, CO 80501

IT'S PARTY TIME!

Let us help you plan a block party, for **FREE!!!**
The Neighborhood Resource Center of Colorado in partnership with Safeway is giving away **FREE** party supplies and a gallon of ice cream!



WHAT TO DO: Get the signatures from two other people on your block, tell us when your party is, and fill-out this postcard, or print and fill-out the application from our website (www.nrc-neighbor.org) and mail to:

Neighborhood Resource Center of Colorado
899 Logan, Suite 311
Denver, Colorado 80203

AND, we'll send you a ticket for a Party Pak - that is filled with a Good Neighboring Resource Guide, a block map, a Safeway certificate, and other helpful information and goodies from our sponsors. For more information about the Good Neighboring Project call NRC-Colorado at 303-477-0023.

Address to which the Party Pak ticket is to be sent:

Applicant Name Phone

Address City/Zip

Email Address

Our Block Party is scheduled for: Date ____/____/____

Co-Applicant Signature #1 Phone

Address City/Zip

Email Address

Co-Applicant Signature #2 Phone

Address City/Zip

Email Address

No, I do not want to be put on NRC-Colorado's mailing list.

For more information about the Good Neighboring Project call 303-477-0023.
Expires October 31, 2009

Community & Neighborhood Resources will print your Neighborhood flyers
to start a registered neighborhood group or to have a block party!

Please submit your request for printing, including the newsletter/flyer, color of paper, how many copies and
your contact information to Jon Clarke at jon.clarke@ci.longmont.co.us
We will call you when your print job is ready for pick up. Please allow 5 business days for printing.