



# Neighborhood Action Items

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This is an exercise to prioritize the projects and activities the neighborhood might like to pursue. This list is only suggestions; please feel free to add items that pertain to your neighborhood.

After completing this exercise a vote could be taken on which items the group wants to work on.

Please rank the following project/actions according to how useful or important you think they would be for your neighborhood.

1. Very useful, let's do this one.
2. Possibly useful, but can wait.
3. Not useful or important to neighborhood.

- 1. Remove graffiti.
- 2. Replace graffiti with a community-designed mural.
- 3. Establish a prioritized list of unsightly code compliance violations, with the most pressing problem at the top, to guide the city's efforts to beautify our neighborhood.
- 4. Keep before and after photographs of neighborhood improvements.
- 5. Produce a citizen's guide to local resources.
- 6. Give the residents a voice in development decisions about their neighborhood.
- 7. Help kids find a safe place to have fun and to avoid youth violence.
- 8. Seek funding from businesses, government, and foundations to improve the neighborhood.
- 9. Start a neighborhood crime Watch program.
- 10. Work together to improve our health through activities such as a walking, gardening or fitness group or club.
- 11. Turn abandoned buildings or vacant lots into historical, cultural, educational center or pocket parks.
- 12. Recruit corporate (business members to the neighborhood group and encourage them to contribute products, services, vouchers or discount coupons we can use to as awards and incentives for neighborhood participation and achievement.
- 13. Organize a cultural festival in the neighborhood.
- 14. Complete a person skills inventory and establish a barter system to trade skills and services.

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- 15. Recruit the pastors and members of a church located in the neighborhood, even if they do not live in the neighborhood.
- 16. Start a Community Garden.
- 17. Create an oral history of your community's by recording conversations with senior citizens about their memories of life and times as they grew-up in the neighborhood.
- 18. Erect signs at each entrance to the neighborhood publicizing the name of the neighborhood.
- 19. Establish a telephone tree so that we can rapidly communicate information or announcements to all the members.
- 20. Establish a community convenience store.
- 21. Have some of the meetings in yards of neighborhood residents.
- 22. Set up a Neighborhood Cyber-Center for access to and training on computers and the use of the Internet.
- 23. Set up a care-sharing system so that neighbors without transportation can share rides.
- 24. Set up a tool bank and lending library of home repair reference materials.
- 25. Recruit landlords who live in other communities to join the neighborhood group.
- 26. Set up a plant exchange at the monthly meetings.
- 27. Plan occasional potluck or picnic for monthly meetings.
- 28. Recruit renters who live in the neighborhood to join the group.
- 29. Provide the neighborhood group with monthly home sales reports.
- 30. Create a neighborhood newsletter to distribute, monthly or quarterly.
- 31. Launch a voter registration drive in the neighborhood.
- 32. Establish subcommittees to oversee various projects chosen by the neighbors.
- 33. Get a monthly crime report from the Police Department for the monthly meetings.
- 34. Create a volunteer group to volunteer in other neighborhoods.
- 35. Create a monthly, quarterly, or annual recognition for a Neighborhood yard or home.
- 36. Set up a Neighborhood "Welcome Wagon or Committee to meet new Neighborhood residents.
- 37. Sponsor a sports team for Neighborhood youth.
- 38. Create a Youth Neighborhood Group with separate structure and activities.
- 39. Set up a scholarship fund for Neighborhood Youth.
- 40. Create a Neighborhood Gleaners committee to locate, pick, and share excess Neighborhood fruits, vegetables, flowers, plants, etc

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