



# BUILDING BLOCKS!

Energize the Neighborhood \* Build Community

## **Building Blocks Purpose**

Building Blocks purpose is to encourage people living in and around the communities served by the Seattle Housing Authority to become engaged in their neighborhoods. Building blocks is a fantastic starting point for a small-scale project or community meeting.

## **Building Blocks Goal**

Do you have an idea for a group or a project? Just involve your neighbors and you are halfway there. It can be almost anything! Get a group of people together to learn how to cook injerra, or start a quilting group, or how about getting some neighbors together to talk about working better with your local school? All these are examples of projects that would work!

## **Building Block Match**

Do you need money for your idea? Building Blocks will provide up to a total amount of \$100.00 a year and you are required to match at least 100% of what you request. The donations you get can be labor, materials, and money. For example, you can have up to 5 hours of labor at \$10/hour, \$20 work of material and thread; and Building Blocks can contribute \$70.00 towards more supplies and refreshments!

Remember , you can apply twice a year for a total of \$100.00!

## **You Can Apply**

It doesn't matter how old you are. However, if you are below 18 years of age you must work with an adult. You just need to get together with four other people in your neighborhood (remember your adult if you are under 18) and plan your project! Complete your project in four weeks and be willing to share your accomplishment at a community meeting!

## **How Projects are Chosen**

It's as easy as A - B - C!

- A) Write your project up on the application form
- B) Find donations for your match!
- C) Submit your application to the Community Builder in your neighborhood

Project review and selection process will vary by neighborhood.

Building Blocks is administered by the Community Builders of the Seattle Housing Authority for use in and around communities that they serve.



## Application for Building Blocks Project!

What neighborhood is this project for?  
(Circle a location)

High Point    Yesler Terrace  
NewHolly    Rainer Vista  
Scattered Sites

Project Idea: When, Where, and what will you do?

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Project Name? What fun and interesting name do you have for your project?

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Project Leader? \_\_\_\_\_

Involving Others? How are you going to get new people involved in your project?

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Community Impact? How will this make your neighborhood better? Why are you doing this project?

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Money? How much money do you need to complete your project? (\$100 is the limit.) What will you use the money for?

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Matching Contributions? Are there people, agencies, stores, etc., willing to contribute time, volunteer labor, money, or goods to use in your project? Remember, the value of your contributions needs to total at least half of the project grant. \$100 grant = \$50 matching contribution. Are you receiving money for this project from any other funding sources?

Contribution:

Value:

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Total! \_\_\_\_\_



## Application for Building Blocks Project!

Your group: Help us learn about your group! Please list your group members' names, addresses, phone numbers and if they have completed a community project before and how many?

Name	Address Email	Phone Number	Have you completed a community project before? How many?

Project leader information:

Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail \_\_\_\_\_

HOPE VI or SHA Family Community \_\_\_\_\_



# Building Blocks Approval Form

Project Lead? \_\_\_\_\_

Community Builder Approval? \_\_\_\_\_

Category?      Neighborhood Improvement  
                    Crime Prevention  
                    Training Block Party/Neighborhood Celebration  
                    Cultural Event

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FOR OFFICE ONLY

Project number assigned \_\_\_\_\_

Date check sent \_\_\_\_\_



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## Follow Up

Please return this completed form to your Community Builder within one (1) month following your event!

What neighborhood was this project for? \_\_\_\_\_

Name of the person leading the project? \_\_\_\_\_

Project Idea: When, where, and what did you do?

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Number of people that participated: \_\_\_\_\_

What activities were completed?

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What worked well?

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What didn't work well or what would do differently next time?

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Did volunteers do what they had agreed to do?

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Were there additional donations of time and/or money?

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