

BCA Community Improvement Grant Program

Purpose

To provide grants of \$100 to \$2,500 to fund community and neighborhood improvement projects within Brandermill common areas. The projects will help make community ideas that leverage volunteerism to improve Brandermill common areas a reality.

Grants will be awarded with the following goals.

- Encourage volunteerism
- Promote community involvement for the betterment of Brandermill common areas
- Harness the ideas of 13,000+ residents and commercial members
- Improve the appearance and value of the Brandermill community
- Build a stronger sense of community

General Guidelines

- Must be on BCA common property
- Must be incremental to BCA staff work (i.e. not cutting grass)
- Grant money is for required materials and/or equipment rental only with receipts (labor is volunteer)
- Must be completed within 12 months of the grant award and quarterly updates are expected

Application/Selection Process

- Applications must be submitted with a project outline, budget, and timeline.
- A selection committee will be appointed consisting of the BCA Maintenance Director, and one member of the BCA Architectural Review Board, the BCA Environmental Committee, and the BCA Board of Directors.
- The committee will recommend to the BCA Board of Directors projects within the approved funding range.
- The BCA Board of Directors will give final approval of grants.

General Criteria for Selection

- Does the project abide by all county and state codes as well as stay within the covenants of the BCA?
- Is there neighborhood or community support for the project? If so, what type: in-kind services, volunteering of time, additional funding?
- Is the project plan well thought out, reasonable, and realistic?
- Will the project be completed within a year?
- How big of an impact will the project have on the street, neighborhood, or community?
- Does the project fit within the spirit of the Brandermill Master Plan?
- What role will volunteer or “sweat equity” play in the project?

BCA Community Improvement Grant Application

The BCA Board of Directors has allocated a budget to provide funds for community and neighborhood improvement projects within Brandermill common areas. The BCA is interested in proposals from residential and commercial members as well as community groups on projects that contribute to the betterment of the Brandermill community.

The BCA Board of Directors will use the following general criteria in evaluating grant proposals.

1. Does the project and project plan follow all county and state codes as well as the covenants of the BCA?
2. Is there neighborhood or community support for the project? If so, what type: in-kind services, volunteering of time, additional funding?
3. Is the project plan well thought out, reasonable, and realistic?
4. Will the project be completed within a year?
5. How big of an impact will the project have on the street, neighborhood, or community?
6. How does the project fit within the spirit of the Brandermill Master Plan?
7. What role will volunteer or "sweat equity" play in the project?

Please provide requested information below, and if necessary, include additional sheets or drawings.

Sponsoring Member or Organization Name _____

Address _____

Contact Person _____ Phone _____ Email _____

Project Name _____ Project Location _____

Describe your project objectives and goals. (250 words or less.)

Describe who and what organization or neighborhoods will be involved in the project. (250 words or less.)

Describe who will benefit from the project.

Detail how grant funds will be used and how the cost was determined.

If ongoing maintenance will be required, what is the plan for maintenance?

Who will be responsible?

What is the project timeline?