

GETTING STARTED

Beginning a neighborhood association is usually a grass roots effort by community members who want to see a change for the better, get to know their neighbors, and can be a partnership between city resources and citizens' initiative, dedication and creativity.



This brochure is just the beginning of a road to forming a long standing and ever changing community according to the wishes and visions of the people who live within it. Whether that be for safety, creating jobs and new business structures, or simply creating a family friendly neighborhood.

Lets get Started!

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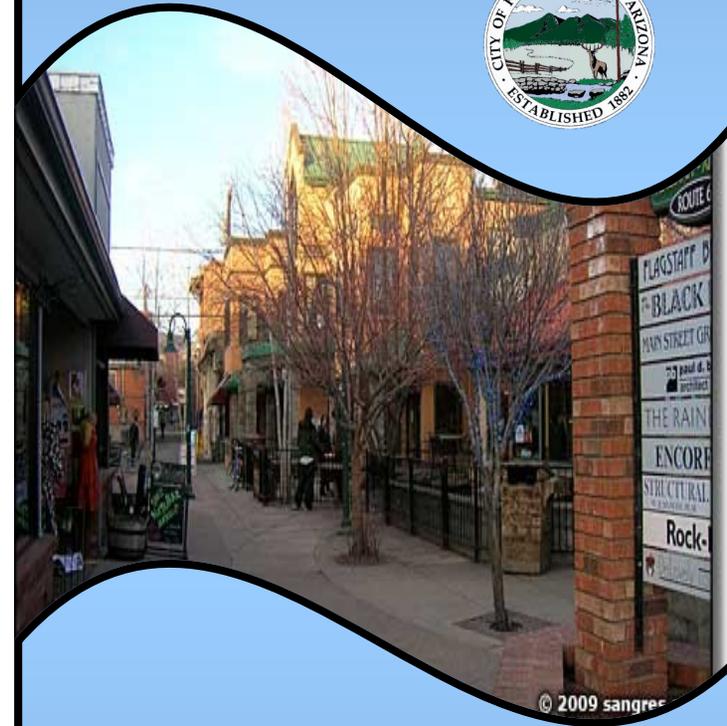
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Local people are the best resource when it comes to building community. This is why the City of Flagstaff Community Development division has created a neighborhood registration program to assist you with developing your neighborhood association and create a better link of communication between city resources and citizens. The foundation of the program is a neighborhood registry, which provides a direct link between your neighborhood and the City of Flagstaff!



How do I register my neighborhood?

First, form a meeting with a diverse group of individuals from your community to decide on a name for your neighborhood and to define your boundaries. Your boundaries can consist of city streets, natural landscape or feature. Second, complete a neighborhood registration form which can be completed online at the **website below** or picked up at the Community Development offices at City Hall.

Check out current neighborhood associations and what they are doing on the City of Flagstaff website! Just click on the Flagstaff neighborhoods tab at: <http://www.flagstaffaz.gov>

BENEFITS

- One-on-one assistance organizing your neighborhood.
- Assistance with applying for grants to develop short and long-term project goals.
- Working with local Beat officers to communicate needs with the correct City of Flagstaff Departments.
- Assistance of the Community College or NAU classes in developing your own neighborhood newsletter for your association.
- Working together with citizens in your neighborhood to create safety, recreation, beautification and Preservation goals.
- Working towards developing a neighborhood plan, which includes short and long-term goals for the whole neighborhood.
- Have fun getting to know your neighbors and local businesses!



HOA V. Neighborhood Association

Neighborhood Associations differ from homeowners associations in two distinct ways which offer many benefits for those of an Neighborhood Association. First, an HOA, usually run by a group of property owners or developers, has legal authority to reinforce many rules and regulations such as trash pickup, weed pulling, and where you can and cannot park your car. These are found in many apartment and housing complex areas. In contrast, a Neighborhood Association is one built by average people and business owners living in a specific community, area or district of the city who want to work together to see change. This could be safer lighting, streets and sidewalks, creating a neighborhood garden, or just having contact with your neighbors through newsletters, potlucks and even barbeques!



What are my responsibilities as a contact?

As a primary and secondary contact, you need to be willing to disseminate information to your neighborhood if an issue arises. Ideally, the primary contact will work with other neighbors to address issues that involve the neighborhood. A secondary contact will provide support to the primary.

Then What?

Once we receive your completed registration form, you will be contacted by your Neighborhood Planner to schedule a date and time to meet and talk about your neighborhood goals and possibly set a date for a neighborhood meeting. You will also receive a "How to Kit" on neighborhood planning to get you started.