Brooklyn Action Corps

The Brooklyn Action Corps is the neighborhood organization for Brooklyn, Portland, Oregon, whose purpose is to better the community by working together toward the solution of its social, physical, and economic problems.

General (public) meetings are held on the 4th Wednesday on odd-numbered months at 7 PM **Board meetings** are held on the 2nd Wednesday every month at 7 PM Consult the BAC Website for meeting locations.



https://brooklyn-neighborhood.org/



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Board: board@brooklyn-neighborhood.org Chair: chair@brooklyn-neighborhood.org



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Subscribe to the BAC mailing list: Keep informed of neighborhood happenings and receive meeting notices and agendas. https://brooklyn-neighborhood.org/subscribe-to-our-email-list/



Meeting Minutes can be found here: https://brooklyn-neighborhood.org/meeting-minutes/



The **Board of Directors** shall be comprised of at least 3, no more than 11. Eligibility to the Board of Directors Requires that the member be present to 2 of the 4 past board meetings. A vacant seat can be filled at any time of the year. Yearly there is an election at the general meeting in May.

The Brooklyn Newsletter covers news and updates in the Brooklyn neighborhood. It's published 6 times a year and hand-delivered to every door in Brooklyn.



Look for it in January, March, May, July, September and November. The deadline for articles is on the 15th of even numbered months.

You can also find it online here:

https://brooklyn-neighborhood.org/brooklyn-neighborhood-newsletter/

Want to help?

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- Attend a General or Board meeting (all are welcome)
- Contribute your time to a committee
- Volunteer to help at neighborhood events; Newsletter Delivery; Adopt a Block; Beautification Committee; Community Garden; or Litter Patrol.

Brooklyn Action Corps Continued

BAC Committees and Working Groups

Community Connections Committee: This committee focuses on making Brooklyn a true community for all, welcoming new residents, and ensuring longtime residents are connected! They host most of the fun smaller events in the neighborhood. **Email:** <u>CCC@brooklyn-neighborhood.org</u>

Land Use & Transportation Committee: This committee reviews, advocates, and makes recommendations on land use and transportation issues which affect our neighborhood and surrounding area. The Climate Action Team is a subcommittee of this committee with separate meetings and a climate action, resilience, and mutual aid focus. Email: <u>BLUC@Brooklyn-neighborhood.org</u> or <u>Climate@Brooklyn-neighborhood.org</u>



Neighborhood Beautification Group - The 9th Street Bridge group is composed of volunteers who work collectively and individually in cooperation to maintain the 9th Avenue overpass and adjacent green spaces on Powell Boulevard. To be added to the group email 9thStreetOverpass@brooklyn-neighborhood.org

Equity and Social Justice Committee: This committee is on hiatus currently-**Contact the board if you would you like to help.** recognizes and acknowledges that the Brooklyn neighborhood is comprised of renters, BIPOC, LGBTQIA+, and those with disabilities. We seek to represent the diverse community of Brooklyn through education, inclusivity, and activism.

Consult the BAC website for locations, dates, and times of committee meetings.

Brooklyn Neighborhood Plaques



Adorn your Home with a Brooklyn Plaque, add the year of your home and the second line can have what ever you wish, be it your family name, your home's nickname etc. Plaques are \$32 each. Ordering details are online at <u>brooklyn-neighborhood.org/historic-plaques</u>



Brooklyn Community Garden is located in the northern edge of the Brooklyn Neighborhood. The BCG has 34 garden plots, native plants and community berry bushes. The Garden is located at the corner of SE Franklin and SE McLoughlin/ 99E. Up a short hill from the street, the site levels out and is sunny and open. Email for more info and check on plot availability - garden@brooklyn-neighborhood.org **Fred Meyer Rewards Program**



You can support the Brooklyn Action Corps by naming them as your Fred Meyer Community Rewards partner. It's free, you'll keep getting your own reward points. To choose the BAC, first login to your Fred Meyer Rewards online account at https://www.fredmeyer.com/topic/rewards-3/#/community-rewards-4 click on "link your rewards card now", then enter "Brooklyn Action Corps" into the search field and click the "enroll".

EMERGENCY RESOURCES



HEALTH, FIRE, SAFETY EMERGENCY

This includes downed powerlines, and gas leaks. Police Non-Emergency (503) 823-3333



Earthquake- Brooklyn Basic Earthquake Emergency Communication Node (BEECN) Location-Brooklyn Park, Between 10th and Milwaukie Ave at Haig St.



Multnomah Mental Health Crisis Intervention (24 hours) 503-988-4888 National 988 Suicide & Crisis Lifeline: dial 988 or chat at https://988lifeline.org



211 info connects people with health and social service organizations.



National Domestic violence hotline 1-800-799-SAFE (7233) TTY 1-800-787-3224 Portland's Call to Safety Hotline 503-235-5333



Report abuse of a child or vulnerable adult in Oregon 1-855-503-SAFE (7233) Need someone to talk to? Youthline is available 24/7, your call will always be answered if you are in need of someone caring and non-judgmental to talk to! Call us at: 1-877-968-8491 / 1-877 (YOUTH-911)



Poison Emergency 1-800-222-1222

ASPCA Animal Poison Control for Pets 888- 426-4435



A street tree emergency is any immediate tree hazard that is blocking or threatening the street or public right-of-way. Call Urban Forestry at 503-823-TREE (8733) to report a street tree emergency. Emergency dispatchers are available 24/7.



Central City Concern serving single adults and families in the Portland metro area who are impacted by houselessness, poverty, and addictions. **503 294-1681**

HELPFUL RESOURCES



Garbage Collections Days Signup: Sign up for reminders at <u>Portlandmaps.com</u> Enter your address, then go to Utilities, from there you can sign up for weekly reminders.



Hazardous Products: Find information about safe storage and disposal of common hazardous products. https://www.oregonmetro.gov/tools-living/healthy-home/common-hazardous-products For more information, ask Metro at (503) 234-3000.



Update your voter registration:

https://secure.sos.state.or.us/orestar/vr/register.do?lang=eng

Mass Transit:

Orange Line Max stops at 17th & Rhine and 17th & Holgate[.] Bus #9 Powell Blvd has frequent service to several stops on Powell. Bus #10 City Center/Foster &94th stops on 26th Ave. Bus #17-Holgate/Broadway has frequent service with several stops along Powell, 17th, and Holgate Ave. Bus #19 Woodstock/Glisan has several stops along Milwaukie Ave. Bus #70-12th/NE 33rd has several stops along Milwaukie Ave, and two stops on or near Powell at 12th and 21st Ave. Bus #291-Orange Night Bus provides limited late-night service from Portland City Center to SE Park Ave Station, shadowing Orange Line service. More info at: https://trimet.org/ (503) 238-7433



Before you dig: call 811; it's the law. It's FREE.



Food Assistance Programs: etc. The comprehensive list of food assistance programs provides full descriptions, pictures, hours, volunteer information, etc. https://www.foodpantries.org/ci/or-portland (503) 282-0555



Renters Rights: https://www.oregonrentersrights.org/



Free 24-hour syringe drop boxes: Nearest is at 501 SE Hawthorne Blvd, Portland; 1403 SE Water Ave, Portland

Safely Dispose of Old Medicines: Brooklyn Pharmacy 3131 SE Milwaukie Ave.

HELPFUL RESOURCES



SE Tool Library: Residents of SE Portland can borrow tools for personal use from the 1137 SE 20th Ave, corner of SE 20th and Salmon, Located inside Hinson Memorial Baptist Church https://sites.google.com/septl.org/website/



Kitchen Share: is a place where community members can borrow equipment and share in the joy of processing, preserving, and serving food. 2800 SE Harrison St, inside St. David of Wales Episcopal Church. https://kitchenshare.org



Parks Information: (503) 823-PLAY https://www.portlandoregon.gov/parks/78739



FOBP Summer Youth Program: email: fobrooklynpark@gmail.com (971) 808-2438; https://www.friendsofbrooklynpark.org/



Treebate: If you buy and plant a tree in your yard between September 1 and April 30, you may be eligible for a Treebate. https://www.portlandoregon.gov/bes/68205



How to apply for a disabled parking spot: A property owner may request a disability parking space be placed along their fronting property when a few conditions are met, contact for more info. PBOTParkingControl@portlandoregon.gov (503)-823-7275



Union Pacific Railroad: contact Aaron Hunt, Public Affairs (503) 249-3079



Independent Police Review Division: (IPR), Independent Police Review provides impartial oversight of police conduct, practices, and policies to increase accountability and public trust. <u>https://www.portland.gov/ipr</u> 503-823-0146

Make Brooklyn Safer, Greener and Fun

Neighbors make Brooklyn a great place to live with a unique vibe. You can contribute by sprucing up your yard to adding some artwork, to creating a walking club or hosting a game night. Here are some of the things we suggest, it's not a comprehensive list. Send in your ideas.



Little Free Library: A *Little Free Library* is a *free* book exchange where anyone may take books or leave books. Start your own, it can have a theme, or be general interest. Here is a list of Libraries in Brooklyn. 3424 SE 15th; 908 SE Franklin; 3340 SE 10th Ave; 1116 SE Rhine; 1003 SE Center; 3726 SE 8th. Puzzle Library at 3352 SE 8th Ave. More info at: <u>https://littlefreelibrary.org/</u>



Poetry/Art or Info Poles: Poem poles are a staple in Portland, but in Brooklyn we have a poetry pole at 3384 SE 16th, and we have a neighbor who posts native plant info at 3340 SE 10th.



Sidewalk obstruction Bingo: from *Oregon Walks* when you go on walks. To help create a more accessible community. You have the option of enter your information for a prize drawing. <u>https://sidewalk-obstruction-bingo.oregonwalks.org/</u>



Block Party: Organize a block party with neighbors: For information on obtaining a Block Party permit, please visit <u>www.pbotblockparty.com</u>. Call or write at 503.823.4003, <u>pbotblockparty@portlandoregon.gov</u> You can also join National Night Out; info at <u>natw.org</u>

Create fun for Neighbors: Hang up a swing; place a bench; leave painted rocks around the neighborhood, draw a hopscotch on your sidewalk; fill your garden with art, or dinosaurs; Yarn bomb a fence or bike rack; leave out chalk for a sidewalk gallery; make your block into a monopoly game.



Go Big: Create an event. Put together a parcourse route around your block, create a scavenger hunt event, a mini fun run, or organize a themed bike ride, host an informative walk, or make your block into a monopoly board. It's easy to advertise them to neighbors on Nextdoor and other social media or by placing a sign in front of your home.

Make Brooklyn Safer, Greener and Fun Continued



BrooklynPDX Scenes Map: Check out this map for fun locations in the neighborhood. <u>https://maps.app.goo.gl/GBLwFhzVYey2MTVb8?g_st=i</u> <u>https://maps.app.goo.gl/GBLwFhzVYey2MTVb8?g_st=i</u>



Street Intersection Painting: can be beautiful, but it also can calm traffic, as cars tend to drive slower. Currently there are no intersection paintings in Brooklyn, but you could spur the first painting. These projects are initiated, designed, installed, and maintained by the local community. Neighbors will typically talk with each other at block parties, community potlucks, or door to door to find neighbors interest and ask for ideas to create a proposed design and location. Questions about applying for a street painting permit? streetpaintings@portlandoregon.gov or 503-823-8893.



Know your Neighbors: Introduce yourself to the next 4 neighbors on each side of you. Make sure to welcome new neighbors. Everyone has busy lives, so sometimes catching neighbors at home is difficult, so leave a calling card with a note inviting them to catch up and get a treat- cookies or a drink.



Love your Neighborhood: Do you enjoy passing that house with the great garden or the house that has the little library with great books or a swing on the street? Leave a note, a painted rock, etc., acknowledging you noticed, and you enjoy it.



Make Brooklyn Bloom: Plant extra seedlings or divide your plants, such as irises, etc. and leave some potted seedlings out front of your home with a sign for the neighbors to take home. It can spread beauty across the neighborhood.



Sidewalk Safety: Trim limbs around your sidewalk to ensure safe passage for everyone. Tree limbs must hang no lower than 7.5 feet above the sidewalk. Clean mud and muck from the curb ramps. Keep sidewalks clear of vegetation, leaves, mud, gravel and obstructions to help make it safer for all pedestrians including people with disabilities and pushing strollers to get around.



Keep Sidewalks Clear: Pull automobiles and bikes all the way into your driveway so it's not blocking the sidewalk. It's dangerous for people with disabilities to maneuver around a blocked a sidewalk.



Tripping Hazards: Property owners must keep sidewalks in good repair so that they are free of tripping hazards and other safety hazards for pedestrians and people in wheelchairs. If you have uneven sidewalks highlight the tripping hazard with spray paint as a temporary measure.



Driveway Access: If your driveway access is blocked your first course, and fastest course of action should be to ask neighbors if they can identify the auto. If that is not successful, then call 503-823-5195 or after hours call 503-823-3333.