



NEIGHBORHOOD GIFT ASSESSMENT

Every neighborhood is filled with a unique set of gifts, but sometimes we become so familiar with the various features of our own neighborhood that we take these valuable gifts for granted or, worse, stop noticing them at all. This is why it's important to spend time looking at neighborhood gifts and cataloguing the wide variety of neighborhood gifts spread all throughout your neighborhood.

These neighborhood gifts include group, physical, and associational assets as well as gifts found in the private, public, and non-profit sectors. Part of what makes your neighborhood unique is its own distinctive mix of these gifts.

NEIGHBORHOOD GIFTS:

Any asset in your ZIP code or adjacent ZIP code that can be used to develop the well-being of your neighborhood.

GROUP GIFTS

Group gifts include the people groups that add to the cultural richness of your neighborhood; for example: local artists and musicians, immigrant populations, children and youth, college students, and senior citizens.

PHYSICAL GIFTS

Physical gifts include natural or manmade physical features that you and your neighbors use in your neighborhood; for example: parks and trails, streets and lights, community centers or gardens, and meeting or artistic venues.

ASSOCIATIONAL GIFTS

Associational gifts include the volunteer groups, clubs, or associations that various neighbors belong to; for example: local neighborhood organizations, community groups and clubs, and demographically specific groups.

PRIVATE SECTOR GIFTS

Private sector gifts include the businesses or business groups located in your neighborhood; for example: local retailers, restaurants, banks, media outlets, chambers of commerce, business associations, and private schools.

PUBLIC SECTOR GIFTS

Public sector gifts include public agencies and facilities that operate within your neighborhood; for example: government agencies, first responders, public schools or colleges, public hospitals or clinics, municipal libraries, pools, and golf courses.

NONPROFIT SECTOR GIFTS

Nonprofit sector gifts include programs, facilities, and services provided in your neighborhood by nonprofit organizations; for example: religious organizations, housing shelters, food kitchens, health clinics, and counseling centers.



FIRST LOOK AT NEIGHBORHOOD GIFTS

Take a first look at your neighborhood and see what gifts are in and around your neighborhood. Fill out the chart below to get started.

GROUP GIFTS

PHYSICAL GIFTS

ASSOCIATIONAL GIFTS

PRIVATE SECTOR GIFTS

PUBLIC SECTOR GIFTS

NON-PROFIT SECTOR GIFTS