

#### **Brightside St. Louis**

City of St. Louis
Dept. of Parks, Rec & Forestry
4646 Shenandoah Ave.
St. Louis, MO 63110
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#### **GRAFFITI VIOLATION NOTIFICATION:**

Graffiti on any building, structure or surface is a violation of the City of St. Louis Building Code.

By requiring the prompt removal of graffiti, St. Louis City Ordinance #66934 aims to reduce blight and deterioration in St. Louis and to protect the public health and safety.

While the property owner bears full responsibility for abating this violation, in many instances, Operation Brightside, doing business as Brightside St. Louis, may be able to help.

Graffiti is a form of vandalism that detracts from the overall appearance of our community and drives down property values. Brightside's mission is to make St. Louis a cleaner, greener, better city in which to live and work, which is why we offer this graffiti eradication service.

Brightside is able to provide graffiti removal at **NO CHARGE** to the property owner, thanks to a federal grant awarded through St. Louis' Community Development Administration.\*

In an effort to expedite the eradication process, *Brightside requests the property owner's consent* to enable our crews to quickly eliminate this graffiti violation.

Please note, while Brightside requests the property owner's consent, in accordance with City of St. Louis Ordinance #66934, written consent is not required. Therefore, fourteen (14) days from the date on the Consent Form, Brightside may proceed with graffiti removal.

Property owner may be able to expedite the removal process by signing the enclosed CONSENT FORM and sending ASAP to Brightside St. Louis, 4646 Shenandoah Ave., St. Louis, MO 63110 or fax to 314-772-7444 or email: **info@brightsidestl.org**.

The graffiti will be removed between 7:00 a.m. and 3:00 p.m. Monday through Friday, weather permitting. It is not necessary for the property owner to be present during the removal process.

It is at Brightside's sole discretion whether it is safe for crew to eradicate graffiti. If the property is deemed unsafe to proceed or for some other reason (ex: graffiti above ground level) Brightside will not be able to provide assistance and owner must remove to be in compliance with City ordinance.

Questions: 314-772-4646 Cost: No Charge

\*Funding for this graffiti eradication service is provided largely in part through a grant from the Department of Housing and Urban Development and the Community Development Administration under the provision of Title I of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974 (Pub L, 93-383 42 USC 5301 et seq.).



Contact Person\_\_\_\_\_
(if other than owner)

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## **CONSENT FORM**

# **ADDRESS WITH GRAFFITI:** DATE: As owner of the above property, I hereby grant consent to Operation Brightside, doing business as Brightside St. Louis, to access this property for the purpose of removing the graffiti. I understand that if the graffiti is on an unpainted brick or concrete surface, Brightside will use a high-pressure power washer, and possibly a fine sand and paint stripper mix, to remove the graffiti. There may be some slight discoloration of the brick, but there should be little, if any, harm to the surface. Graffiti in hard-to-reach locations or in cases of loose tuckpointing, surface may have to be painted instead of blasted from brick or concrete surfaces. I further understand that if the graffiti is on a painted surface, Brightside will attempt to match the paint color as closely as possible, squaring off the vandalized area and painting over the graffiti. In addition, as owner of the above property, I agree to hold Operation Brightside harmless of any and all liabilities arising in any way connected with injury, death or property damage caused by Operation Brightside. I further understand that if Brightside determines that they are unable to safely access the property and/or remove the graffiti for some other reason, as property owner I am responsible for eradicating this graffiti and abating this building code violation. By signature below, consent is hereby granted to Operation Brightside, dba Brightside St. Louis, to remove the graffiti from the above address. I DO NOT WANT BRIGHTSIDE TO REMOVE GRAFFITI FROM MY PROPERTY. I WILL ABATE THE GRAFFITI WITHIN FIVE (5) DAYS TO MAINTAIN COMPLIANCE WITH ST. LOUIS BUILDING CODE.\* I DO NOT WANT BRIGHTSIDE TO REMOVE THE MARKINGS ON MY PROPERTY. ALONG WITH RETURNING THIS FORM I AM EMAILING INFO@BRIGHTSIDESTL.ORG TO DECLARE THAT I DO NOT CONSIDER THESE MARKINGS GRAFFITI. ANY EMAIL DECLARING THE MARKINGS NOT GRAFFITI MUST BE SENT WITHIN FOURTEEN (14) DAYS OF THE DATE NOTED ABOVE. PHOTO(S) OF MARKINGS APPRECIATED. Signature of Owner\_\_\_\_\_\_Date\_\_\_\_ Print Owner's Name Phone

\* In order to reduce blight and deterioration within the City of St. Louis and to protect the public health and safety, fourteen (14) days after written notification was sent to the property owner, if the violation has not been abated, Operation Brightside may access the property and remove the graffiti without written consent from the property owner. Operation Brightside will remove graffiti at NO CHARGE to the property owner. This action is authorized by the City of St. Louis Ordinance #66934.

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