

# NEIGHBORS NATURESCAPING

## What is Neighbors Naturescaping?

A program offered by Brightside St. Louis to help neighborhood groups enhance their community by planting native gardens in public spaces.



## Request up to \$1,500 for...

Perennials | Grasses | Shrubs | Flower Bulbs | Trees  
Hoses | Garden Edging | Shovels | Rakes | Other Hand Tools

Eligible expenses include Missouri native plants selected from our recommended plant list, plus hardscape materials and gardening tools from Home Depot.

## What are the benefits of Neighbors Naturescaping?

- Beautify a public or visible nonprofit space in your neighborhood
- Restore Missouri native plant communities
- Attract beneficial wildlife, such as butterflies, bees and birds
- Reduce storm water runoff and protect our drinking water

## Eligible Groups

Neighborhood associations, community groups, block units, nonprofits and school groups located in St. Louis city

## Eligible Planting Locations

Medians, neighborhood entrances, parks, street barricades, LRA lots w/current garden leases and other public spaces and nonprofits approved by Brightside.

Must be located in St. Louis city.

## Locations NOT Eligible

Privately-owned properties and locations outside of the St. Louis city limits



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# IMPORTANT PROGRAM INFORMATION

## NEIGHBORS NATURESCAPING 2025 TIME LINE

### WEEK OF MAY 19

- Applications become available.
- Email [jean@brightsidestl.org](mailto:jean@brightsidestl.org) to receive a digital copy of the grant application.

### SATURDAY, MAY 31

- Learn from the native plant and pollinator experts at the St. Louis Urban Gardening Symposium (SLUGS).
- No charge for Neighbors Naturescaping participants and volunteers.

### JUNE 14

- Native plant garden tour.

### JUNE 9 - JULY 11

- Technical assistance appointments with Brightside. (Please schedule in advance.)

### FRIDAY, AUGUST 8

- Project applications due by Noon at the Brightside office.

### SEPTEMBER 10

- Announcement of selected projects.

### SEPTEMBER

- Selected groups will coordinate with Brightside staff to purchase approved tools and supplies from Home Depot.

### OCTOBER 10 & 11

- Plants, shrubs, trees and bulbs will be available for groups to pick up at the Greenhouse in Forest Park.



1. Application packets include a recommended plant material list with plant descriptions and links to MDC educational materials. Many of the plants can be seen growing in Brightside's Demonstration Garden adjacent to our office.
2. Neighbors Naturescaping applicants (project leaders and volunteers) are highly encouraged to attend - at NO CHARGE - the 2025 St. Louis Urban Gardening Symposium on May 31. Participation in the symposium is a component of the Judging Criteria considered by the Selection Committee in project funding decisions.
3. Selected projects will be provided with plants, tools and supplies, as requested in the application and approved by the Selection Committee. No cash awards will be given.

### QUESTIONS? CONTACT US.

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