

Send Your Application to one of the following:

The Vollintine Evergreen Community Association, Attn: Leadership Development Block Grants, 1680 Jackson Ave., Memphis 38107

Rhodes College, Attn: Leadership Development Block Grants, 2000 North Parkway, 200 Palmer Hall, Memphis, 38112

Email Attachment to: veca@veca.org, Attn: Leadership Development Block Grants



More Ideas for Projects

- *Work on neighborhood crime prevention – leaflet or informational campaign*
- *Clean up alleys owned by the city*
- *Help an elderly neighbor by cleaning up around the house*

Ready to Start Write a Proposal?

Let us know how we can help.



For assistance, questions and concerns

Call 901-276-1782 (VECA)

Call 901-843-3280 (Rhodes College)

Go to the VECA Welcome Center

1680 Jackson

Email: veca@veca.org

Website: veca.org



Vollintine Evergreen
Community Association



Leadership Development Grants for Your Street

**Transforming Memphis
Neighborhoods while
Transforming Rhodes**



Rhodes College
—1848—

You Are Invited....

VECA and Rhodes are inviting Vollintine Evergreen residents to develop projects in our neighborhood blocks. We are excited to help support you in your efforts to build community and neighborhood engagement.



What is the name of the program?

It is called Transforming Memphis Neighborhoods while Transforming Rhodes proposal for Leadership Development Block Grants

How do we apply for funds?

The application can be handwritten or typed—an electronic copy will be available on the VECA website at veca.org. Hard copies of the application are available at the VECA Welcome Center at 1680 Jackson Ave.

Is help available in writing the application?

Help will be available for any group wanting assistance writing the proposal. A person can come to your street to meet with several people or you can come to the VECA Welcome Center.

What is the program?

A collaboration between VECA and Rhodes College will make funding available for projects at the block level or several blocks.

This is an opportunity for residents to address a particular concern or issue in their section of the VECA neighborhood. Residents should use their imagination and talk to others about what is needed. There are many other possibilities beyond the sample list to the right.



What is required once the grant is made to a group?

- The group needs to do what it said it would do in the proposal.
- The residents working on the project are asked to take photographs of their work and come to an event at the VECA Welcome Center at which all of the projects are displayed.
- Request for funds will be made to the Rhodes Project Manager who is located at the VECA Welcome Center, 1680 Jackson.

Ideas for Funding:

- Sponsoring *Dumpster Day*, a multi-street cleanup
- Trimming and maintaining over-grown trees and shrubs
- Creating and preserving a public flower garden
- Working with police to identify crime issues
- Compiling a street phone list
- Doing cleanups of the street, sidewalks, and properties—even cleaning out the garages
- Cleaning vacant houses and lots
- Boarding vacant houses or paint the boards on vacant houses
- Sponsoring Neighborhood Watch meetings
- Improving City services
- Sponsoring annual block picnics and other social events on the block
- Supporting National Night Out
- Installing neighborhood signs to enhance neighborhood identity
- Planting visible trees and flower gardens
- Adopting a vacant house or lot—purchase mower or weed eater
- Planting a community garden on a lot

