



*Orgulloso de Lo Que Somos Y Todo Lo Que Podemos Ser!
Proud of Who We Are and All We Can Be!*

Love Where You Live Cumberland County NJ is a project of the
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Love Where You Live - Cumberland County (LWYLCC)

VISION: We believe that the greatest ability to bring about positive change in our communities and in our own lives lies with each and every one of us. Transforming this individual and collective capability into constructive good represents our highest hope and greatest recourse.

MISSION: Our goal is to be a transformative force, to elevate and amplify the good that is already being done in the county. Specifically, 1) Facilitating a positive perception of the county for those living here and those outside the county; 2) Empowering citizens, businesses, organizations, and others in the community to effect positive change; 3) Improving the sense of wellbeing among citizens both about where they live and about their lives. This will be done by collaborating with the similarly minded.

Love Where You Live - Beacons of Pride (LWYLBP) Matching Grant Program

Beacons of Pride are community beautification and public messaging projects that are highly visible to passersby and which, by themselves, instill a sense of pride that inures to the benefit of the general public and the community at large. These projects would normally be sited on public property, but could involve exceptionally visible private property – provided similar beautification and community pride benefits are achieved. The projects must support the mission of Love Where You Live:

1. Facilitating a positive perception of the county for those living here and those passing through from outside the county
2. Empowering citizens, businesses, organizations, and others in the community to effect positive change
3. Improving the sense of wellbeing among citizens both about where they live and about their lives.

PROJECT CATEGORIES

1. Landscape and hardscape beautification in high traffic public areas
2. Park beautification and improvements in highly utilized public areas
3. Signage or mural projects in high traffic areas that promote a sense of pride and place
4. Artistic and aesthetic lighting projects in shared public spaces.

ELIGIBILITY

1. Applications may be submitted by local businesses and organizations, including non-profit community service organizations, serving the Bridgeton area in Cumberland County, NJ.
2. Applicants must provide proof that they have the financial resources to pay for the project costs in full, with up to 50% to be repaid with funding from this grant program.
3. Projects must be located in the Bridgeton area of Cumberland County.
4. **Please note that any applications that seek funds for business or organization operating expenses and/or capital improvements for the business or organization do not qualify for funding.**
5. The projects must support the mission of **Love Where You Live**.
6. Grant consideration and funding will be limited to that portion of the project that directly meets the criteria of this program.
7. Projects must provide strong support for long-term care.
8. A completed LWYLB application with required supporting documents must be submitted between January 1 and the application deadline of September 1.
9. Project review and approval will be done on a rolling basis as applications are received and until such time as the yearly funding budget is exhausted.
10. Submitting an application and approval of a grant does not guarantee funding. Grant monies will be issued upon successful completion of the project per the Funding Agreement.

FUNDING

1. **LWYLB application program will fund 50% of out-of-pocket hard costs paid by the applicant(s), up to a maximum of \$20,000 per project.** Project may be larger in value, but the LWYL grant maximum is \$20,000 per project.
2. Grant funding will be issued when:
 - a. The applicant provides proof that project is complete, including any government inspections or certifications that may be required.
 - b. The applicant provides documented proof that all materials and supplies, services, and contractors have been paid.
 - c. The LWYL Committee inspects the project and supporting documents and deems it satisfactorily completed.

APPLICATION REQUIREMENTS

1. Submission of a complete and signed LWYLB application form.
2. Supporting documents must include:
 - a. Project budget and timeline, including funding sources and amounts
 - b. Project description including images / drawings / maps of the project and its location.
 - c. Proof of the applicants and partners in funding have financial ability to pay for the project prior to reimbursement with funds from this grant.
 - d. Proof that the applicants have approval of the owner of the land where the project will be located.
 - e. Plan for the continued maintenance of the project.

FUNDING AGREEMENT

Applicants who are approved for LWYLBP grants will enter into an agreement with LWYLCC that will include these and other conditions:

1. Must provide proof that general liability insurance for the project has been obtained.
2. Provide a waiver indemnifying LWYLCC from any injuries or damages related to construction of the project.
3. Provide periodic project status reports to LWYLCC including providing a updated copy the construction project checklist as provided by LWYLCC to monitor project completion.
4. Complete the project within one year of the execution of the funding agreement between the applicant and LWYLCC.
5. Erect signage provided by LWYLCC during construction indicating LWYLCC funding and partnership in the project, and permanent signage after completion of the project.
6. Agree to allow LWYLCC to provide publicity for the project, including acknowledgement of all partners in the project including LWYLCC.

LWYLCC COMMITTEE

Ed Overdeest, Chairman, Overdeest Nurseries, Chamber Member

Barry Seay, Vice Chairman, South Jersey Water Conditioning Service, Chamber President

Laurie LaTorre, Secretary, Chamber Member Services Director

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Beacons of Pride Matching Grant Application

Love Where You Live Cumberland County, NJ

Complete the attached form in a clear and concise manner.

APPLICATION PERIOD AND DEADLINE: **SEPTEMBER 1, TO OCTOBER 1**

Applicant Organization(s): _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____ **Fax:** _____ **Email:** _____

Contact Person and Phone Number(s): _____

Federal ID No. _____ **Tax Exempt?** _____

Location of the Project:

Street Address: _____

Municipality / Town: _____

Tax Map Info. Block _____ **Lot** _____

Project Summary: (a more detailed description of the project should be one of the supporting documents)

Summary of how this project supports the mission of LWYLCC and makes a noticeable improvement in the community and how people feel about the community:

Timeline / Finances / Funding:

When will project begin: _____ **Estimated Completion Date:** _____

Total Project Cost: \$ _____

How much will partners contribute:

Name of Funding Partners: _____ **Amount:** _____

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Grant Amount Request: \$ _____

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EVALUATION CRITERIA

Criterion	Score	Explanation
SUPPORTS PROGRAM MISSION	0 - 10	See mission.
COST SHARING ABILITY AND FUNDING	0 - 10	Proof of ability to pay for the project's expenses before the grant funding from LWYLBP.
IMPACT OF THE PROJECT ON THE PUBLIC AND PERCEPTION	0-10	Project visibility and degree of positive impact.
PARTICIPATION AND COLLABORATION	0-10	Evidence of broad-based neighborhood support and/or participation. Extent of collaboration with other organizations and/or groups.
PROJECT DESIGN	0-10	Well-planned, cost-effective, and ready for implementation; shows a clear and reasonable vision for sustaining the project and resulting improvements. Budget is a reasonable projection of expenses and revenue. Proposed and related activities are an innovative response to meeting the LWYLCC mission.
COMPLETION OF PROPOSED PROJECT	0-10	Applicant and any partners have shown they have the ability to carry out and complete the project.