

2020 APPLICATION

The purpose of the Clean & Green program is to support innovative community groups and organizations in the cleaning, maintaining, and beautifying of otherwise vacant properties in Genesee County. Answers on this application as well as previous participation in Clean & Green will be used to select groups for the 2020 Clean & Green program. New applications are reviewed and rated using a point system. Returning applicants are evaluated based on past evaluations/experiences within Clean & Green and application score. The entire application is worth 100 points. The circle at the top of each page indicates how many points the page is worth. Applicants are encouraged to give as much detail and explanation in their answers as possible and can attach additional pages to this application if the space provided is not enough.

REMEMBER!

- ANSWER ALL QUESTIONS WITHIN THE APPLICATION THOROUGHLY AND THOUGHTFULLY.
- ANSWERS THAT ARE DESCRIPTIVE AND ALIGN WITH PROGRAM GOALS WILL BE GIVEN MORE POINTS.
- INCOMPLETE APPLICATIONS MAY NOT BE ACCEPTED. WRITE IN N/A IF A QUESTION IS NOT APPLICABLE.
- CLEAN & GREEN IS FOR COMMUNITY-BASED GROUPS ONLY – FOR PROFIT BUSINESSES OR INDIVIDUALS WILL NOT BE CONSIDERED

APPLICANT INFORMATION

Group Name: _____

Street Address: _____

City: _____ Zip Code: _____

Main Contact Person: _____

Relationship to Group: _____

Phone Number: _____ Alternate Phone Number: _____

E-mail Address: _____

Alternate Contact Person: _____

Phone Number: _____

E-mail Address: _____

Type of Community Group (please only check one):

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| <input type="checkbox"/> 501(C)3 Non-Profit Organization | <input type="checkbox"/> Block Club |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Community Development Corporation (CDC) | <input type="checkbox"/> Church or Faith-Based |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Neighborhood Association | <input type="checkbox"/> School |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Other _____ | |



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YOUR CLEAN & GREEN PROPOSAL

15
points

5. Please propose **SPECIFIC** geographic boundaries (street names) for your group's ideal service area so we can try to place your group within/near your ideal area of focus. (5pts)

North: _____ South: _____

West: _____ East: _____

6. Please describe the current conditions of the geographic area defined in Question 5. (5pts)

7. How many vacant properties do you propose to maintain every three weeks during the Clean & Green season? (5pts) _____

Please remember that each Clean & Green group must maintain at least 25 properties every three weeks. There is no maximum limit on the number of properties a group can maintain. Land Bank staff will determine the number of properties for each group according to available funding and previous participation in the program.

Check the boxes below if you meet the listed program requirements

- Tools and Equipment:** Each Clean & Green group is required to provide its own tools and equipment (lawn mowers, weed whackers, rakes, work gloves, shovels, etc.). If your group does not have its own tools and equipment it is not eligible for Clean & Green.
- Bank Account:** Clean & Green payments can only be issued to a group with bank accounts in its group name (not other groups or individuals). Payments will be via direct deposit.
- Insurance:** It is also required that each Clean & Green group has liability insurance to cover every individual performing work as well as the Genesee County Land Bank Authority (Please provide a copy of liability insurance if already covered) or that each participant sign a liability release form (parents or guardians will be required to sign forms for youth participants). Groups selected for the 2020 program will have to provide proof of insurance or commit to liability release forms in order to participate.



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YOUTH INVOLVEMENT

One of the goals of Clean & Green is to engage youth in the cleaning, greening, and ultimately changing of their neighborhoods. If youth participants will be included in your Clean & Green activity, please answer the following questions. Youth participants are all people 24 years and younger. **Youth participation is not required. If your group will not include youth, simply write in N/A and skip to the next page.**

A. Roughly how many youth participants do you plan on including? _____

B. What are the roles and responsibilities that youth participants will have? (5pts)

C. How do youth participants get involved in your group? (5 pts)

D. Do the youth participants live in the area they will be working in? (5pts)



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YOUR T-SHIRT ORDER

Each selected group will be provided with **five** Clean & Green t-shirts. Please indicate the five sizes that you would like for your group below.

T-Shirt #1: _____

T-Shirt #2: _____

T-Shirt #3: _____

T-Shirt #4: _____

T-Shirt #5: _____

YOUR COMMUNICATION

During the program season, Clean & Green staff will need to keep in touch with your group and will encourage you to connect with other Clean & Green groups. Please answer the following questions to ensure effective communication.

What is the best way to contact you?

- Phone Call
- Text Message
- E-mail
- Post Mail

Do you give the Land Bank permission to share the contact information provided on the first of this page with other Clean & Green groups through a written 2020 Clean & Green Group Directory?

Yes No

Do you or others in your Clean & Green group use Facebook? Yes No

If you have an e-mail account, how often do you check it?

Daily Weekly Monthly



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QUESTIONS FROM SPEAK TO YOUR HEALTH! COMMUNITY SURVEY (October 2019 - April 2020)

The Ruth Mott Foundation requested assistance in gathering responses to the following questions. Please take a few moments to respond by selecting the response that best fits each question. **Please note that this page is required but not scored and will not affect your overall Clean & Green application.**

1. Have you or anyone in your group been involved in a neighborhood cleanup, beautification project, or community garden project in the past 6 months to improve conditions of your neighborhood?
 Yes, was involved No, was not involved

2. Have you or anyone in your group participated in the meeting of a block or neighborhood group within the past 6 months?
 Yes, was involved No, was not involved

3. Have you or any member of your group been involved in a neighborhood crime watch? (past 6 months)
 Yes, was involved No, was not involved

4. Have you or any member of your group taken action with neighbors to do something about a neighborhood problem? (past 6 months)
 Yes, have taken action No, have not taken, action

5. How safe is it to walk around alone in your neighborhood during the daytime...
 Completely safe Fairly safe Somewhat Dangerous Moderately dangerous Extremely dangerous

6. How safe is it to walk around alone in your neighborhood during the nighttime...
 Completely safe Fairly safe Somewhat Dangerous Moderately dangerous Extremely dangerous

7. How much do you agree or disagree with the following statement about your neighborhood: I am satisfied with the quality of life?
 Agree strongly Agree Neither agree nor disagree Disagree Disagree Strongly

8. I would recommend this neighborhood to anyone as a good place to live...
 Agree strongly Agree Neither agree nor disagree Disagree Disagree Strongly

9. Length of time living in neighborhood? # of years _____



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DECORATIVE BOARDING APPLICATION – *OPTIONAL AND NOT REQUIRED*

Clean & Green will include decorative boarding option in 2020. Groups that participate in decorative boarding will be responsible for decoratively boarding vacant houses by painting boards to look like doors and windows and cutting them to fit. Groups will not receive a cash stipend for this work but will receive gift cards and/or credits to purchase all supplies and materials. If your group wants to participate in the decorative boarding component of Clean & Green, you must complete this one page application. Land Bank staff will select groups for decorative boarding from the information provided here. Staff will consider past performance, if applicable, when selecting groups. **Please note that this page is not scored and will not affect your overall Clean & Green application.**

Has your group boarded vacant properties in the past? Yes No

If yes, roughly how many properties boarded in the past? _____

Has your group *decoratively* boarded vacant properties by painting the boards to look like doors and windows in the past? Yes No

If yes, roughly how many properties were *decoratively* boarded in the past? _____

If your group has boarded vacant properties in the past, please describe previous experience. Please describe the method you used, the condition and type of properties, how many projects you participated in, etc.

Past performance will be considered

Roughly how many vacant houses would your group be willing to decoratively board? This is an estimate only and does not commit your group to boarding this number. _____



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SIGNATURE PAGE

Check each box below to acknowledge that you understand, and agree to the points listed.

- Each Clean & Green group is required to provide its own equipment.
- Clean & Green payments can only be given to groups with bank accounts.
- Each Clean & Green group is required to either have liability insurance to cover every individual performing work as well as the Genesee County Land Bank Authority or have all participants sign liability release forms (parents or guardians will be required to sign liability release forms for youth participants).
- My group has the capacity to meet the Clean & Green maintenance requirements.
- My group will supervise all youth under the age of 18 at all times while they are participating in Clean & Green.
- My group will submit Clean & Green reporting documents when they are due.
- My group will meet all of the Clean & Green requirements.
- My group will meet all program and project deadlines throughout the duration of the season. (Groups with extenuating circumstances preventing them from meeting a submission deadline, may be granted a two week grace period)

By signing below you state that the answers and information given in this application are accurate, complete, and that you are authorized to submit on behalf of the applying group.

Submitted By:

Name of Group: _____

Applicants Printed Name: _____

Signature: _____ Date: _____

PLEASE RETURN THIS COMPLETED APPLICATION BY 3:30 PM ON FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 21ST, 2020

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