

Springfield Community Preservation Grant Application

Community Preservation Funds are available in four categories: Community Housing, Historic Resource, Open Space & Recreation. You may skip a question if it does not apply to your project. ***IMPORTANT*** If you click on any links in this application, you must use the back arrow to return to this application or you will lose your work. Be sure to save your application. Questions about this form? Call 413-530-1268 or by email cpc@springfieldcityhall.com

INTRODUCTION Please read the [application instructions on the CPC website](#) before proceeding with this application. The link includes a guide to proposing a CPA project. Options to save and finish the application later are found at the bottom of this application. Helpful additional resource links can be found on the [Home page](#) <https://www.springfield-ma.gov/finance/community-preservation>. Review the [DOR Community Preservation Fund Allowable Spending Purposes Chart](#) to determine if your project qualifies for CPA funding. *asterisked items are required.

Applicant :
Non-Profit Organization

Neighborhood
Forest Park

Project/Program Title:
Glendell Park Vegetation Restoration and Enhancements

Location of proposed project
Glendell Terrace

CPA program area— check all that apply. Once you make a selection, only the questions relating to that selection(s) will appear.
Open Space
Recreation

Anticipated Start Date of Construction
7/1/2024

Anticipated completion date of project
4/1/2025

Name of Organization or Individual
Regreen Springfield

Applicant Contact Name and Title
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Additional project partner and contact details

Grant Request

Grant Request Amount

Will you be seeking multi-year funding?

\$13,000.00

No

Total Project Budget
\$13,000.00

Total Sources of Committed Funding. If none write \$0.00
\$4,000.00

CPA request as % of project
70

List committed funds from all sources and agencies or write none.
Springfield Water and Sewer Commission

Budget
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Sustainability

Fair Wage Compliance Certificate. Applies only to non-municipal projects.

Parcel ID #	Maps	Applicant standing in property
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Open Space & Outdoor Recreation Questions

If the project is on municipal land or conservation land, attach a letter of support from the Park Commission or Conservation Commission.

Is this project in a wetland or does it abut a wetland?

No

If so, has the Conservation Commission been informed?

n/a

If your proposal involves a city park/property have you contacted Department of Parks Building Recreation Management?

Yes

Has the appropriate city agency been contacted?

Yes

Has the appropriate Neighborhood Civic Association been contacted?

Yes

Project Details

PLEASE NOTE: You have the option of typing in a response or attaching a file. If your responses are lengthy, please upload a document. Be sure to label each document with a title.

If selected for a grant, the Grantee shall submit quarterly progress reports and a courtesy copy to the neighborhood council (if applicable). The Final report will include before/after photos and a summary of the CPA work completed.

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The Historic Vegetation Restoration of Glendell Park project directly addresses the CPA

criteria by aiming to renovate this small neighborhood green space, which has faced severe vegetation loss. Our goal is to restore native trees and plants, enhancing the park's historic and ecological value. The proposed project will include the planting of (8) large shade trees along the edge of the park, and the installation of a native pollinator garden, which will increase the aesthetic and ecological value of the park.

With a proposed budget of \$13,000, we plan to engage local high school aged youth from the Springfield Water and Sewer Commission's Pipeline Program in the restoration process, providing them with valuable green skills training and experience. This initiative will not only revitalize an important community asset but also foster environmental stewardship among the youth.

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Glendell Park's Significance: Located in the Lower Forest Park neighborhood, Glendell Park is a historic park that has served the Springfield community for over a century. The recent decline in its vegetation, particularly its once-thriving trees, has diminished its ecological health and aesthetic value. Our project aims to reverse this trend by restoring the park's native vegetation, thereby enhancing its role as a green oasis in an urban environment.

CPA Criteria: This project meets the CPA criteria by renovating a small neighborhood playground and green space and by contributing to the creation and improvement of community gardens within Glendell Park. Restoring the park's vegetation aligns with the broader goals of enhancing local environmental quality and providing recreational spaces for community engagement.

Needs: The loss of significant vegetation in Glendell Park has impacted local biodiversity, reduced shade and cooling effects, lessened the park's recreational appeal, and devalued homes surrounding the park. Restoring native trees and plants will help address these issues, contributing to the community's well-being and the local ecosystem's health.

Expected Outcomes: Through this project, we anticipate not only the physical restoration of Glendell Park's vegetation but also the re-engagement of the community with their local park. By involving high school aged youth and neighborhood residents in the planting process, we aim to educate the next generation on the importance of environmental conservation, fostering a sense of ownership and responsibility towards their local green spaces, and add to the livability of the Lower Forest Park Neighborhood.

Upload Applicant Experience

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Comments or additional information

User experience. If you have suggestions to improve the form please let us know.

Upload any additional files or attachments.

Provide a list of all attachments included in this application.

Signature to Submit Application

The applicant certifies that all information in this application and all information furnished in

support of this application is given for the purpose of obtaining a Community Preservation Act grant and is a true copy and is complete to the best of the applicant's knowledge and belief.

David V. Bloniarz