

Seattle Department of Neighborhoods Small Sparks Fund Records, 1999-2005

Overview of the Collection

Creator	Seattle (Wash.). Dept. of Neighborhoods
Title	Seattle Department of Neighborhoods Small Sparks Fund Records
Dates	1999-2005 (inclusive) 1999 2005
Quantity	0.6 cubic foot, (2 boxes)
Collection Number	5756-06
Summary	Records regarding Small Sparks grants from the Neighborhood Matching Fund.
Repository	Seattle Municipal Archives Seattle Municipal Archives Office of the City Clerk City of Seattle PO Box 94728 98124-4728 Seattle, WA Telephone: 206-233-7807 Fax: 206-386-9025 archives@seattle.gov
Access Restrictions	Records are open to the public.
Languages	English
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Historical Note

The Department of Neighborhoods was created in 1991 by consolidating staff from the Executive Department's Citizens Service Bureau and Office of Neighborhoods, the Community Service Centers of the Department of Human Resources, and the Neighborhood Assistance Division of the Department of Community Development. The Office of Urban Conservation, the City's historic preservation agency, was added in 1992. The following year, the department added a community development function by taking over projects in the Central Area, Southeast Seattle, and the Port of Seattle. In 1999, the Neighborhood Planning Office was abolished and its continuing functions were assumed by the Department of Neighborhoods. The Department's mission is to bring local government closer to the citizens by maintaining a responsive presence in Seattle neighborhoods, by responding to citizen concerns and complaints, and providing a communications link for neighborhoods on City issues that will have an impact on them. The department operates the Neighborhood Service Centers (Little City Halls), administers the Neighborhood Matching Grant Program, staffs the Landmarks Preservation Board, and manages the P-Patch program.

Content Description

Records relating to Neighborhood Matching Fund Small Sparks grants. The Neighborhood Matching Fund (NMF) program, created in 1988, provides financial assistance for community-driven neighborhood development projects. Small Sparks projects were awarded up to \$250, and each project team had to provide a matching portion of monetary donations, volunteer hours, or supplies. The purpose of these projects was to energize the community and reach out to people who were not yet involved in neighborhood organizations or projects. The projects were meant to be simple and informal, taking two months or less to complete. Projects included the creation of gardens, concerts in the parks, talent shows, potlucks, dances, community yard sales, preparation for earthquakes, neighborhood walks, and cleaning up trash in neighborhoods. Types of records include grant applications, agreements, progress reports, final reports, newspaper clippings, newsletters, and photos.

Use of the Collection

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Administrative Information

Detailed Description of the Collection

The following section contains a detailed listing of the materials in the collection.

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Container(s)	Description	Dates
Box/Folder		
1/1	Walk and Roll - OD99017	1999
1/2	Millenium Meal Potluck - OD99018	1999
1/3	Burke Gilman Goes Loco(Motion) - OD99019	1999
1/4	Shake, Rattle, and Roll - OD99020	1999

Container(s)	Description	Dates
1/5	To Grandmother's (New) House We Go - OD99021	1999
1/6	Raising Grandparents - OD99022	1999
1/7	Ms. G's Olympic Rap Off - OD0002	2000
2/1	Trash Can Paint Out - OD0003	2000
2/2	Lights, Camera, Action: Come Do the Directing - OD0004	2000
1/8	Trash Dash - OD0005	2000
1/9	Neighborhood News - OD0006	2000
1/10	Teen Life Center - OD0007	2000
1/11	U District Share Fair - OD0010	2000
1/12	JP Talent Fest 2000 - OD0011	2000
1/13	Junk-O-Rama - OD0012	2000
1/14	N(BP)2 N Ballard Bridge Pocket Park - OD0013	2000
1/15	Halloween Howl - OD0015	2000
1/16	In the Mood - OD0016	2000
1/17	Flower Power - OD0017	2000
1/18	Sharing Our Dreams, Celebration of Dr. MLK - OD0101	2001
1/19	Westcrest is for the Birds - OD0104	2001
1/20	Discovering the Richness of Delridge - O01013	2001
1/21	Wedgwood Neighborhood Service Exchange - O01014	2001
1/22	Garden of the Homeless Angels - O01016	2001
1/23	Beaucoup Bouquets for Ballard - O01019	2001

Container(s)	Description	Dates
1/24	Beacon Buds Garden Tour - O01020	2001
1/25	56th Street Beautification - O01022	2001
1/26	Cascade People's Cobb Bench - O01023	2001
1/27	A Garden of Belonging, Art in the Garden - O01024	2001
1/28	The D-Fest Bandwagon - O01027	2001
1/29	Your Chance to Paint Up the Town - O01028	2001
1/30	Spirit of Community! "Walk the Wagon" - O01030	2001
1/31	Generation XYZ Old School Jam - O01031	2001
1/32	Family Fun Fest - O01032	2001
1/33	Summer Sounds of Sandel - O01033	2001
1/34	Wow Waves - Wave Your Way into the Neighborhood - O01034	2001
1/35	Magnolia Senior Summer Spa and Social - O01035	2001
1/36	Toss From the Tower Beacon Tower Residents Council - O01036	2001
1/37	Now We're Talking - O01037	2001
1/38	Dance for Diversity Leschi Community Council - O01039	2001
1/39	Ballard House Bonanza - O01040	2001
2/3	Doggie Bag Take-Out - O01041	2001
1/40	Med Said Neighborhood Music Talent Show - O01043	2001
1/41	Healing Through the Arts - O01044	2001
1/42	Harvest Hoopla/Harvest Chili - O01045	2001
1/43	Shake and Bake for Ravenna Neighbors Sake - O01046	2001

Container(s)	Description	Dates
1/44	Acts of Kindness, Bulbs of Beauty - O01047	2001
1/45	Due Course - O01052	2001
1/46	Cultures of Joy Celebration - O01053	2001
1/47	Winter Fiesta - O01054	2001
1/48	Cows in the Schoolyard - O01055	2001
2/4	Dive In Movie Nights - O02032	2002
2/5	High Point Vietnamese Seniors Get Together - O02037	2002
2/6	Peace Mural 4 All - O02051	2002
2/7	Re-Inventing Cleveland High School - O02056	2002
2/8	Oasis of Color Project - O04001	2004
2/9	Wedgwood Art Walk - O04028	2004
2/10	First Friday Out - O05003	2005
2/11	Celebrate Africa - O05004	2005
2/12	Blooms of Beacon Bluff - O05005	2005
2/13	Welcome Wagon - O05006	2005
2/14	Health Lift! Feel the Magic - O05007	2005
2/15	Above the City Garden Concert - O05009	2005
2/16	4th Sparkles - O05010	2005
2/17	Belltown Puzzle: Where We All Fit Together - O05011	2005
2/18	Bamboo Park End of Summer Party - O05015	2005
2/19	Puppeteering in Puget Ridge (includes photos) - O05016	2005

Container(s)	Description	Dates
2/20	Garden Club Parking Strip Renewal - O05017	2005
2/21	Neighbor Walk Book Exchange - O05019	2005
2/22	24 Hours in the Hood - O05020	2005
2/23	Spook-tacular - O05022	2005
2/24	The Possible Dream - O05026	2005
2/25	Madrona Plants in Madrona Woods - O05027	2005
2/26	Our History is No Mystery - O05036	2005

Names and Subjects

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Corporate Names :

Seattle (Wash.). Dept. of Neighborhoods

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