

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

## Overview of the Collection

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| <b>Creator</b>             | Seattle (Wash.). Dept. of Neighborhoods  |
| <b>Title</b>               | Seattle Department of Neighborhoods Small Sparks Fund Records  |
| <b>Dates</b>               | 1999-2005 (inclusive)<br>1999 2005   |
| <b>Quantity</b>            | 0.6 cubic foot, (2 boxes)  |
| <b>Collection Number</b>   | 5756-06  |
| <b>Summary</b>             | Records regarding Small Sparks grants from the Neighborhood Matching Fund.   |
| <b>Repository</b>          | <a href="#">Seattle Municipal Archives</a><br>Seattle Municipal Archives<br>Office of the City Clerk<br>City of Seattle<br>PO Box 94728<br>98124-4728<br>Seattle, WA<br>Telephone: 206-233-7807<br>Fax: 206-386-9025<br><a href="mailto:archives@seattle.gov">archives@seattle.gov</a> |
| <b>Access Restrictions</b> | Records are open to the public.  |
| <b>Languages</b>           | English  |
| <b>Sponsor</b>             | Funding for processing this record series was provided through a grant from the National Historical Publications and Records Commission.   |

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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

### Preferred Citation

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## Administrative Information

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## Detailed Description of the Collection

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

### 5756-06: Seattle Department of Neighborhoods Small Sparks Fund Records, 1999-2005

| 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  |

| <b>Container(s)</b> | <b>Description</b>                                     | <b>Dates</b> |
|---------------------|--|--------------|
| 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         |

| <b>Container(s)</b> | <b>Description</b>  | <b>Dates</b> |
|---------------------|---|--------------|
| 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  |

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| 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

### Subject Terms :

Grants-in-aid--Washington (State)--Seattle  
 Neighborhoods--Washington (State)--Seattle

### Corporate Names :

Seattle (Wash.). Dept. of Neighborhoods

### Geographical Names :

Seattle (Wash.)

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