KING PARK NEIGHBORS

Community News

SUMMER REVIEW/ FALL 2026

Together, We Can Do It

There's a lot happening in our community—and even more opportunities to get involved, build relationships, and create the kind of neighborhood we all want to live in. Here's what's new and coming up:

Community Bike Ride Review

This summer, we had a great turn out for our casual, family-friendly bike rides through the

Community Garden Review

3rd Ward. Our final ride was in September with an afterparty at the MLK Community Center. We plan to continue to make this an annual summer event! 3rd Thursdays May-Sept With a hopeful pre-season tune up event in April next year!

Community Center Activation

Our new community center is coming to life! We're expanding activities for all ages—think workshops, youth programming, wellness classes, and shared spaces to gather. Have an idea or want to lead something? We'd love to hear from you.

GR Parks and Rec Page

Annual Public Meeting Nov

Stay informed and have your voice heard. Join us at our upcoming neighborhood meeting to hear updates, share ideas, and collaborate on what's next. We are always looking for motivated neighbors that are interested to sit on the board or our committees.
3rd Saturday 11-1

Meeting Minutes

Our first year of the new garden had a great growing season! Neighbors were found to grow a ton of fresh food and have a great time building community. Do you have interest in participating next year? Or helping with the winterizing of the garden beds? Let us know!
Mark your Calendars
Garden Visioning Event for 2027
10/29 6-7:30

Jade Rabbit

Block Champion Program

The Block Champion initiative is to help strengthen connections right where you live. Block Champions are neighbors who help welcome others, share information, and foster a sense of belonging on their street. Interested in becoming one? Reach out!

Take the Block Champion Survey

Dumpster Day/ Yard Waste

We partnered with Baxter Neighborhood Association for Dumpster Day again this year. Our 2x annual Dumpster Days are in **April and September.**

Summer Opening Celebration

We worked with the City or GR and Eta Pi Sigma Chapter of Sigma Pi Rho Sorority / Swim1922 Initiative as we opened the outdoor areas of the park. The Grand Rapids Gold was there for a basketball clinic as well as Muse GR to do some community art, water safety classes and CPR training.

4th of July Parade

We were excited to again participate in the HollyHock Lane Parade - for its 92nd year! This was the first parade that we had a float and it was a blast!

Visit the Hollyhock Lane Website

National Night Out

This year in August we again partnered with Fuller CRC to have a great NNO. We were able to provide a fun night to families in the community, connect with local leaders and first responders.

Reminder Yard waste service season starts the 1st full week in April through the 2nd Friday in December every year.

Trunk or Treat

For the Past couple of years we have partnered with the Urban League to have a Trunk or Treat in the Excel Parking Lot across from the MLK Community Center. This year we will be BACK at the center's parking lot. Let us know if you are interested in participating in this event with us. 10/22

Email Us

Neighboring 101

FaceBook Neighborhood Group Chat

Curious how to build stronger connections right where you are? Join the Neighborhood Group Chat! This is an open space to talk about neighborhood events and updates

End of Summer Tips

Do you have a neighborhood welcome committee? No, We want to help! We have a welcome process and plan for welcoming new neighbors to the block. This links neighborhood information, helpful resources, connection information and a welcome gift from the neighborhood! Let us know if you are interested!

Open Office Hours
Wed 11-2pm & 3-7pm

Have questions, ideas, or just want to connect? Stop by our open office hours for a casual, welcoming space to chat with neighborhood leaders.

We are hopeful to work with a local partner this Thanksgiving to give away some free turkeys for Thanksgiving. More to come with this moving forward - let us know if you would like to support this venture.

Follow our FaceBook

Splitting Plants at the end of the Summer- ask your neighbors if they want to Swap some perennials or have a block plant swap!

There is still time for Block Party, it is a great way to connect and build community on your block! If you need help with navigating this - reach out we can help!!

Block Party Information

Neighbor Corner:
Get to know your neighbor

Hello, I'm Kiersten, a King Park neighbor and block champion! I was asked recently what made me want to be a block champion and as I thought about it I kept thinking about the saying "flowers grow where you water them." Maybe it's spring and the wonderful change in weather, but I guess I really want to water and grow the flowers in our neighborhood (metaphorically, of course). Sometimes it's easy to feel like there's a bunch out of my control or that I don't have the resources to make change, but then I ask myself, well where am I putting my energy? So I became a block champion to channel that energy into the neighborhood! Whether it's building community, cheerleading about resources that are available to us, or helping to shape what our neighborhood needs, I'm excited to participate!

Lets Keep Building Together

Every conversation, every shared space, every small act of connection adds up. There's a place for

you here, and we're excited to keep growing alongside you.

Donate Today

Stay tuned for dates, details, and ways to plug in!

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