



**NORTHWEST BELLEVUE
NEIGHBORHOOD AREA**



NEP Meeting Agenda

- **Introductions**
- **Teams Basics**
- **What is NEP? How does NEP work?**
- **Northwest Bellevue Neighborhood Map**
- **Northwest Bellevue NEP Schedule**
- **How can NW Bellevue residents participate?**
- **Neighborhood News**
- **Bellevue Essentials**
- **Adopt-A-Street Program**
- **Move into Breakout rooms**

Zoom

Stay on mute to eliminate background noise until you have something to say to the group

Need to leave the meeting?
Click "Leave"



Keep your video on unless you're having connectivity issues

Join and move between breakout rooms



What is NEP? Info Video



<https://youtu.be/Nu8KWCjWd5k>



NEP is...

- **Council-directed, City-Funded, Capital Improvements Program**
- **Provides RESIDENTS the opportunity to PROPOSE and SELECT enhancement projects for their individual neighborhood area**
- **\$7 Million BUDGET distributed among 14 designated NEP neighborhood areas**
- **Area funds allocated based on the number of households in each Neighborhood Area**
- **Rotates through 14 Neighborhood areas over seven-year period – TWO AREAS per year (2023-2029)**
- **Program supported by multiple City departments – Community Development, Parks, Transportation, Utilities**
- **Currently 23 NEP projects in planning/progress around the city in twelve neighborhood areas**



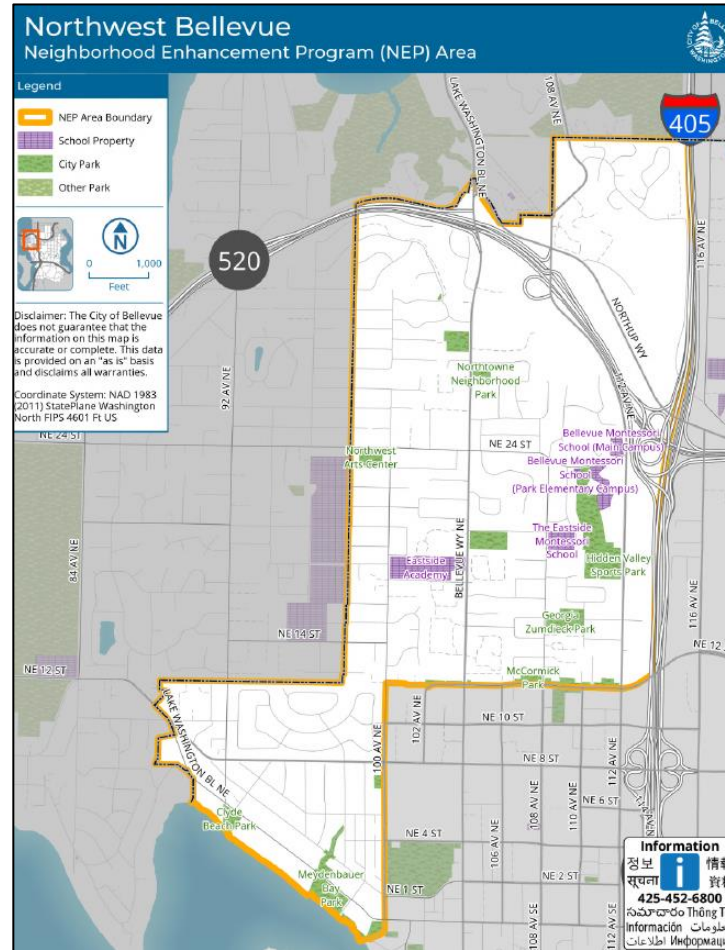
NEP Process

- *City allocates \$\$ to Neighborhood Area*
- *Residents submit ideas for spending \$\$*
- *City staff review ideas & generate projects*
- *Residents select projects to receive \$\$*
- *City implements projects in 3-5 years*

***\$380,000 AVAILABLE FUNDS
FOR NORTHWEST BELLEVUE NEIGHBORHOOD AREA**

**Allocated amount includes administrative costs: postage, printing, etc.*

Northwest Bellevue Neighborhood Area Map



4,350 households. Includes single family and multi-family (apartments, condos, affordable housing units) 50% single family, 50% MF

Northwest Bellevue Schedule



KICKOFF MEETING – March 26, 2025 - ZOOM

IDEA SUBMISSION – March 26 – April 30, 2025

PROJECT SCOPING – May – July 2025

PUBLIC OPEN HOUSE – September 18, 2025 – In Person – Northwest Arts Center

RESIDENT VOTING – September – October 2025

PROJECT ANNOUNCEMENT NEWSLETTER – Nov 2025

RESIDENT EVALUATIONS – December 2025



Next Step...Submit Your Ideas

Look for the **PROJECT IDEA CARD** in your mail or
Submit online at www.bellevuewa.gov/nep

Neighborhood Enhancement Program



Project Idea Request Form

\$380,000 has been allocated to Northwest Bellevue. Tell us what your neighborhood needs!

Please submit your project ideas for Northwest Bellevue by April 30, 2025. City staff will review your request, and may contact you to discuss it. **If you have operational concerns regarding police patrol, street maintenance, drainage, parking or code enforcement, please submit your issue to the mobile MyBellevue App or online at BellevueWA.gov/mybellevue to receive a more timely response.** If you are unsure, please call 425-452-4186.

Project location (please be as specific as possible, listing addresses and/or cross streets)

Project description (please provide as much detail as possible)

Contact information (this information is required to process your request, as staff will contact you to obtain further details; please print clearly)

Name _____ Phone _____ E-mail _____ Apartment/Condo name (if applicable) _____


Street Address _____ Unit# _____ Zip _____



City Use Only

CAR# _____ Date Rec'd _____

* Project ideas may also be submitted online at BellevueWA.gov/nep

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MYBELLEVUE App – Reporting All In One Place

For operational concerns regarding police patrol, street maintenance, drainage, parking or code enforcement related projects.

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Opportunity Areas



SAFETY



RECREATION



**BICYCLE
ACCESS**



**PEDESTRIAN
ACCESS**



**GATHERING
SPACE**



**COMMUNITY
IDENTITY**



Key Actions for Northwest Bellevue Residents

SUBMIT Project Ideas – through April 30

(*No Limit* to the number of submissions)

ENCOURAGE Neighbors to participate

ATTEND September 18 Projects Open House

**VOTE For top three projects in Sept/Oct
(**Limited to one ballot* per household address)**

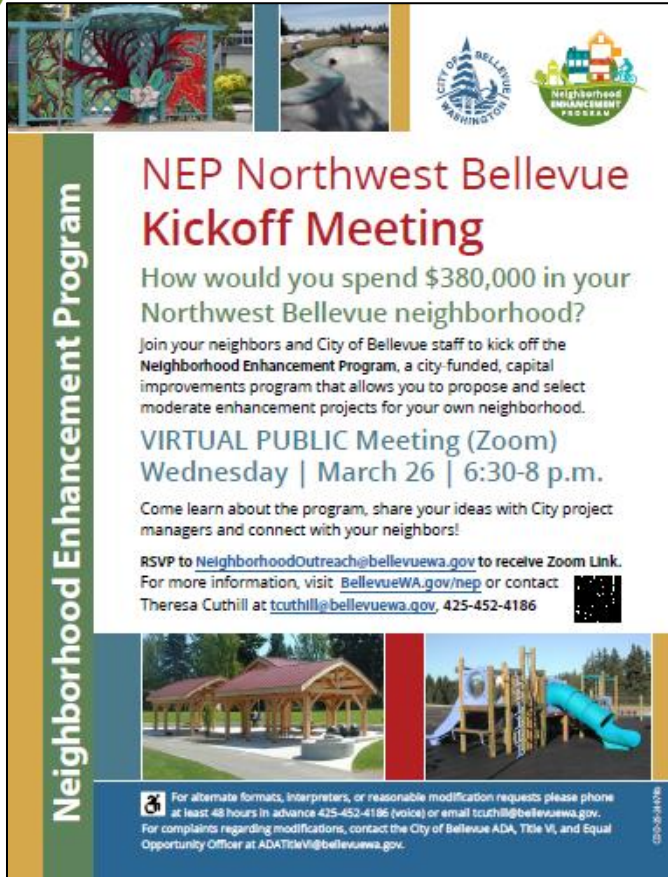
***How voting is tabulated – 3 points top choice,
2 points second and 1 point for third.***

SUBMIT Program evaluations



Program Promotion

Neighborhood Enhancement Program



NEP Northwest Bellevue Kickoff Meeting

How would you spend \$380,000 in your Northwest Bellevue neighborhood?

Join your neighbors and City of Bellevue staff to kick off the Neighborhood Enhancement Program, a city-funded, capital improvements program that allows you to propose and select moderate enhancement projects for your own neighborhood.

VIRTUAL PUBLIC Meeting (Zoom)
Wednesday | March 26 | 6:30-8 p.m.

Come learn about the program, share your ideas with City project managers and connect with your neighbors!

RSVP to NeighborhoodOutreach@bellevuewa.gov to receive Zoom Link.
For more information, visit BellevueWA.gov/nep or contact Theresa Cuthill at tcuthill@bellevuewa.gov, 425-452-4186

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Monthly Neighborhood News



New Office of Housing to guide housing and homelessness response Initiatives

By Janelle Wetzstein
Community Development and Office of Housing
Public Information Officer



Blanca Siegl, Office of
Housing Director

Increased housing affordability, availability and options are key city priorities set by Bellevue's City Council. To guide these efforts, the city recently combined housing and homelessness outreach staff into a centralized citywide Office of Housing. The team has already begun tackling action items to advance affordable housing initiatives and is holding events to share progress and information with the community and city partners.

The mission of the Office of Housing is to partner in delivering policy, projects and resources that accelerate production and preservation of housing in Bellevue. Their work also centers on addressing homelessness and building a welcoming community. The office aims to strengthen partnerships, leverage city resources and align teams to expand housing in Bellevue so people of all incomes can afford to reside within the city.

"This work is critical in our community and supports our vision to be a welcoming, supportive and accessible city for all," said City Manager

Diane Carlson. "Having a dedicated team focused on all aspects of our housing priorities will help us reach our goals and serve the community more effectively."

Assistant Director in the City Manager's Office Blanca Siegl was selected to lead the team as Office of Housing Director. Other team members include existing housing and homelessness outreach roles that are now coming together to form this office.

Bellevue's council priorities include housing, leading the council to approve the creation of the Office of Housing during the 2025-2026 budget process.

Near-term areas of focus include accelerating affordable housing opportunities on city-owned properties, streamlining processes citywide to support the creation and preservation of affordable housing and leveraging resources to invest in developing additional affordable housing units. As part of this work, the city is hosting a unique Office of Housing event, the Better Cities Film Festival, on March 6, 5:30-8:30 p.m.

The featured films will showcase innovative and inspiring solutions being pursued by several leading cities to model what is possible toward achieving accessible, affordable communities.

The city is also updating its Affordable Housing Strategy (BellevueWA.gov/city-government/departments/community-development/housing-affordability/affordable-housing-strategy), a plan initially launched in 2017. Development of the Affordable Housing Strategy update will occur over the next year and include a range of community engagement opportunities.

Better Cities Film Festival to showcase inspired housing strategies

Thursday, March 6, 6-8:30 p.m.
Doors open at 5:30 p.m.

At Bellevue City Hall Council Chambers

Registration is required:
better-cities-bellevue.eventbrite.com

As part of the 2025 Affordable Housing Strategy, the City of Bellevue has partnered with the Better Cities Film Festival to present a night of short films showcasing the world's most inspiring stories about making better cities, towns and neighborhoods for all.

Bellevue is not alone in its efforts to ensure affordable housing for a range of income levels.



Photo Credit: Stanton J. Stephens

More opportunities to engage on middle housing

The Middle Housing land use code amendment is moving forward with ongoing review and public engagement. Community members have contributed valuable feedback and thoughtful questions, helping to refine the draft code updates. You can view the latest draft and share your input on our website: BellevueWA.gov/middle-housing-code.

Upcoming opportunities to participate:
Virtual Information Session, March 3
middle-housing-draft-code-info-session.eventbrite.com



This movie night will highlight places and partners across the United States and world that are finding innovative solutions to create accessible, affordable communities. The film screening will be followed by small group discussions to share what you took away.

To learn more about this event or the 2025 Affordable Housing Strategy, visit EngagingBellevue.com or contact Hannah Bahn Miller at hbahnmlle@bellevuewa.gov.

Planning Commission Study Session, March 12

Middle housing, such as accessory dwelling units and other housing types between single-family homes and mid-rise buildings, creates more diverse and affordable housing options. By allowing these homes in more residential areas, we can support a wider range of housing needs and increase opportunities for people to live and thrive in our community. The proposed updates align with recent state laws requiring cities to expand middle housing options.

Your voice is essential in shaping these updates! Join the conversation and help plan for a more inclusive and livable Bellevue.

To Subscribe: www.BellevueWA.gov/neighborhood-news

Bellevue Essentials – Civic Engagement Academy

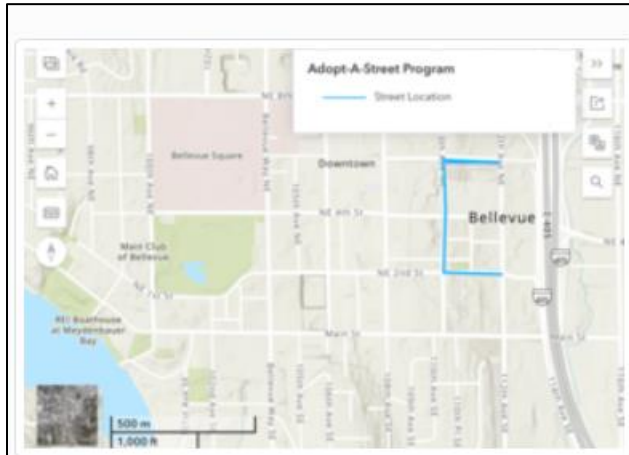


The graphic is a vertical rectangle with a white top section containing the City of Bellevue logo and the text "Bellevue Essentials". Below this is a blue banner with white text: "AN INTRODUCTION TO CIVIC LEADERSHIP" and "NOW IN OUR 10TH YEAR!". The main body of the graphic is a photograph of five people (three women and two men) gathered around a table, looking at a large map or document. In the bottom left corner, there is a smaller inset photo of a person standing in a room with a "Bellevue" sign. To the right of this inset, the text reads: "A ten-week course on Bellevue city government in action".

- 10-week introduction to Civic Engagement
- Applications start in May, Info meetings in June.
- Application deadline will be in July

bellevuewa.gov/bellevue-essentials

New Adopt-a-Street Program



Adopt-A-Street Map

The Adopt-A-Street map shows which streets or sections of streets have been adopted.

[Explore the Adopt-A-Street map](#)

Contact Sarina Miller, SaMiller@bellevuewa.gov

www.bellevuewa.gov/adopt-a-street



KEEP IN MIND: OTHER AREA PROJECTS TO BE AWARE OF

- **Meydenbauer Bay Park Expansion Phase 2**
Scott Vanderhyden, Parks Project Manager
Svanderhyden@bellevuewa.gov
- **Ashwood Park Master Plan**
Zaccariah Collom, Parks Project Manager
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- **Clyde Beach Feasibility Study**
Zarrian Smith, Parks Project Manager
Zsmith@bellevuewa.gov



KEEP IN MIND: OTHER AREA PROJECTS TO BE AWARE OF

- **NW Bellevue 100th Ave NE Improvements**
Benjamin Wright, Transportation Project Manager
[*BMWright@bellevuewa.gov*](mailto:BMWright@bellevuewa.gov)
- **NE 8th Crosswalks at 95th/98th (near Vuecrest Entrance)**
Brittany Quan, Transportation Project Manager
[*Bquan@bellevuewa.gov*](mailto:Bquan@bellevuewa.gov)
- **Lake Washington Blvd/NE 10th St Improvements**
Darcy Akers, Transportation Project Manager
[*Dakers@bellevuewa.gov*](mailto:Dakers@bellevuewa.gov)



DOWNTOWN SUBAREA PLAN

GOAL: Maintain Downtown as a Regional Growth Center

Scope of the update:

- Update dates and data to align with the Comprehensive Plan
- Describe activities to ensure equitable engagement in plan update process
- Add or amend policies to address:
 - Residential or commercial displacement
 - Planning for historically underserved communities
 - Reduce impact on the environment

Staff contact: Kate Nesse | KNesse@bellevuewa.gov

<https://bellevuewa.gov/city-government/departments/community-development/planning-initiatives/comprehensive-plan/comprehensive-plan-amendments>



Previous NEP Projects

2018 Selected Northwest Bellevue projects:

Bellevue Way NE Landscape Project

This project will provide for the beautification of the Bellevue Way streetscape on the west side of the boulevard that currently consists of common turf between curb and sidewalk and a mix of aging shrubs in right-of-way back of sidewalk. This project will remove the water inefficient turf, improve the soil and irrigation, and design and implement a landscape of plant combinations that will unify the streetscape of Northwest Bellevue. ***Estimated project completion: Spring 2025.***

Project Manager: Laura McKee (425-452-4108); LMcKee@bellevuewa.gov

100th Ave NE/NE 18th Raised Intersection

This project will install a raised intersection at 100th Ave NE and NE 18th St to improve visibility of pedestrians crossing the street and encourage motorists to drive at a slower speed. The raised intersection will include high visibility school crosswalks to improve safety at this key connection point for students walking to and from schools located on 98th Ave NE. This improvement is part of the NW Bellevue Walkways and Safety Improvements project that will provide safe connections to schools on 98th Ave NE by constructing a multi-purpose path on the east side of 100th Ave NE, two raised crosswalks with RRFBs and two additional raised intersections on 100th Ave NE, and new sidewalks on NE 18th St, 98th Ave NE, and NE 21st St. ***Estimated Project completion: Spring 2026.***

Project Manager: Benjamin Wright (425-452-2883); Bmwright@bellevuewa.gov



Now What?

Meet your city project managers

Move to breakout rooms

“Self-select” rooms or request to be moved into a specific room



Breakout Rooms

1. **Parks:** Trails and Streetscape
2. **Parks:** Operations & Maintenance
3. **Parks:** Planning & Development
4. **Trans:** Traffic Engineering
5. **Trans:** Traffic Calming



Stay Informed

WWW.BELLEVUEWA.GOV/NEP

NEP and Northwest Bellevue Liaison:

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TCuthill@Bellevuewa.gov



PROJECT CRITERIA

AFFORDABILITY

PROJECT COSTS MUST NOT EXCEED THE FUNDING ALLOCATION FOR THE NEIGHBORHOOD AREA

CONSISTENCY

PROJECTS MUST BE CONSISTENT WITH CITY PLANS AND POLICIES

FEASIBILITY

PROJECTS MUST BE PRACTICAL AND ACHIEVABLE FOR THE CITY

IMPLEMENTATION

PROJECTS MUST BE DESIGNED AND CONSTRUCTED WITHIN 3-5 YEARS OF SELECTION

MAINTAINABILITY

PROJECTS MUST NOT REQUIRE MAINTENANCE THAT IS BURDOMESONE TO THE CITY

PUBLIC BENEFIT

PROJECTS MUST BE LOCATED ON PUBLIC PROPERTY, EASEMENTS, OR PROPERTY DESIGNATED FOR PUBLIC USE, AND MUST BENEFIT THE GENERAL PUBLIC