

2017 APPLICATION

The purpose of the Clean & Green program is to support innovative community groups and organizations in the cleaning, maintaining, and beautifying of otherwise vacant properties in Genesee County. Answers on this application as well as previous participation in Clean & Green will be used to select groups for the 2017 Clean & Green program. Applications are reviewed and rated using a point system. Answers that are more descriptive and align with program goals will be given more points. The entire application is worth 100 points. The circle at the top of each page indicates how many points the page is worth. Applicants are encouraged to give as much detail and explanation in their answers as possible and can attach additional pages to this application if the space provided is not enough.

APPLICANT INFORMATION

Please remember that Clean & Green is for community-based groups.

Group Name: _____

Address (Please note that this address will be used for all correspondence from the Land Bank):

Street Address: _____

City: _____ Zip Code: _____

Main Contact Person: _____

Relationship to Group: _____

Phone Number: _____ Alternate Phone Number: _____

E-mail Address: _____

Alternate Contact Person: _____

Phone Number: _____

E-mail Address: _____

Type of Group (please check one):

- 501(C)3 Non-Profit Organization
- Community Development Corporation (CDC)
- Neighborhood Association
- Block Club
- Church or Faith-Based Organization
- School
- Other _____



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points

1. Please **state the mission** of your group.

2. Please provide a brief **history** of your group, including **when and how** your group formed.

3. Does your group serve a specific geographic area? Yes No

If yes, please provide the **boundaries** for the area:

North: _____

South: _____

West: _____

East: _____

4. Please describe your group's community past work to improve the condition of the community (programs, projects, etc.), especially cleanup, greening, and/or beautification efforts that **your group has done in the past**.



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5. Please propose geographic boundaries for your group's service area.

North: _____

South: _____

West: _____

East: _____

6. Please describe the **condition** of the geographic area defined above in Question 5.

7. How many vacant properties do you propose to maintain every three weeks during the Clean & Green season? _____

Please remember that each Clean & Green group must maintain at least 25 properties every three weeks. There is no maximum limit on the number of properties a group can maintain. Land Bank staff will determine each group's stipend award based on the number that you provide here, available funding, and previous participation in the program.

REMEMBER!

- Tools and Equipment:** Each Clean & Green group is required to provide its own tools and equipment (lawn mowers, weed whackers, rakes, work gloves, shovels, etc.). If your group does not have its own tools and equipment it is not eligible for Clean & Green.
- Back Account:** Clean & Green payments can only be issued to a group with bank accounts in its group name (not other groups or individuals).
- Insurance:** It is also required that each Clean & Green group has liability insurance to cover every individual performing work as well as the Genesee County Land Bank Authority or that each participant sign a liability release form (parents or guardians will be required to sign forms for youth participants). Groups selected for the 2016 program will have to provide proof of insurance or commit to liability release forms in order to participate.



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8. What is the size of your maintenance group?

9. What kind of equipment do you have?

10. How will you select properties for maintenance?



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11. What plans, methods, and ideas do you have for cleaning and maintaining vacant properties?

12. How will your group work together? Please describe the different roles that individuals will have, who will be responsible for what, and how all of the work will be coordinated.



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YOUTH INVOLVEMENT

15
points

One of the goals of Clean & Green is to engage youth in the cleaning, greening, and ultimately changing of their neighborhoods. If youth participants will be included in your Clean & Green activity, please answer the following questions. Youth participants are all people 24 years and younger. **Youth participation is not required. If your group will not include youth, simply skip to the next page.**

A. Roughly how many youth participants do you plan on including? _____

B. What are the roles and responsibilities that youth participants will have?

C. How are youth participants connected to your group?

D. Do the youth participants live in the area they will be working in?



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YOUR T-SHIRT ORDER

Each selected group will be provided with **five** Clean & Green t-shirts. Please indicate the five sizes that you would like for your group below.

T-Shirt #1: _____

T-Shirt #2: _____

T-Shirt #3: _____

T-Shirt #4: _____

T-Shirt #5: _____

YOUR COMMUNICATION

During the program season, Clean & Green staff will need to keep in touch with your group and will encourage you to connect with other Clean & Green groups. Please answer the following questions to ensure effective communication.

What is the best way to contact you?

- Phone Call
- Text Message
- E-mail
- Post Mail

Do you give the Land Bank permission to share the contact information provided on the first of this page with other Clean & Green groups through a written 2017 Clean & Green Group Directory?

Yes No

Do you or others in your Clean & Green group use Facebook? Yes No

If you have an e-mail account, how often do you check it?

Daily Weekly Monthly



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DECORATIVE BOARDING APPLICATION

Clean & Green will include decorative boarding in 2017. This portion of the program is optional and is not required. Groups that participate in decorative boarding will be responsible for decoratively boarding vacant houses by painting boards to look like doors and windows and cutting them to fit. Groups will not receive an additional cash stipend for this work but will receive gift cards and/or credits to purchase all supplies and materials. If your group wants to participate in the decorative boarding component of Clean & Green, you must complete this one page application. Land Bank staff will select groups for decorative boarding from the information provided here. Please note that this page will not affect your overall Clean & Green application.

Has your group boarded vacant properties in the past? Yes No

If yes, roughly how many properties has it boarded in the past? _____

If your group has boarded vacant properties in the past, please describe previous experience. Please describe the method you used, the condition and type of properties, how many projects you participated in, etc.

Roughly how many vacant houses would your group be willing to decoratively board? This is an estimate only and does not commit your group to boarding this number. _____



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SIGNATURE PAGE

By signing the bottom of this page you state that the answers and information given in this application are accurate, complete, and that you are authorized to submit them on behalf of the applying group. You also acknowledge, understand, and agree to the points listed below.

1. Each Clean & Green group is required to provide its own equipment.
2. Clean & Green payments can only be given to groups with bank accounts.
3. Each Clean & Green group is required to either have liability insurance to cover every individual performing work as well as the Genesee County Land Bank Authority or have all participants sign liability release forms (parents or guardians will be required to sign liability release forms for youth participants).
4. My group has the capacity to meet the Clean & Green maintenance requirements.
5. My group will supervise all youth under the age of 18 at all times while they are participating in Clean & Green.
6. My group will submit Clean & Green reporting documents when they are due.
7. My group will meet all of the Clean & Green requirements.

Submitted By:

Printed Name: _____

Signature: _____ Date: _____

Name of Group: _____

Please return this completed application by 3:30 PM on Friday, February 24, 2017 to:

C/O Clean & Green
Genesee County Land Bank Authority
452 South Saginaw Street, 2nd Floor
Flint, MI 48502

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