

Portland Neighborhood Program: 7 Coalitions with 95 Associations

What are Portland Neighborhood Associations?

We are people in the places where we live, work, and play—inspired to come together to improve the physical, civic and social health of our communities. Our unique system is nationally celebrated.

We support everyone's right to participate in the ways most meaningful to them. Neighborhood Associations are designed to give every willing volunteer a voice in local community and government.

For over 30 years, neighborhood associations and coalitions have provided a critical local forum, successfully engaging community members. Membership in neighborhood associations is free and open to all residents and businesses.

Services

Seven Portland neighborhood coalition offices offer a range of services based on their geographic area's needs. Staff not only provide assistance to the ninety-five neighborhood associations, but to individuals, organizations and businesses located within our boundaries.

- We serve as a hub for people and information.
- We develop opportunities for community engagement on a wide variety of self-identified issues, then help to address these concerns.
- We provide training, information, advice and support.
- We provide public notices, online communications, and website assistance.
- We offer grant programs, budgeting and financial services, and fiscal sponsorship to neighborhoods and their partner organizations.
- We are custodians of public records; together with our volunteers, we provide historical memory of our communities.



What We Do

Volunteers work on many projects, events and issues, engaging the community in grassroots democracy. Our work includes environmental stewardship, neighborhood fairs, crime and safety efforts, and neighborhood cleanups. We organize and support public policy input on community and social needs, transportation issues, and proposed development projects. Neighborhood associations and coalitions host events—some fun, some hard-working, often both—which are as varied and diverse as the needs and imaginations of the people in each unique community.

The 7 Neighborhood Coalitions

- Central Northeast Neighbors
- East Portland Neighborhood Office
- Neighbors West-Northwest
- Northeast Coalition of Neighborhoods
- North Portland Neighborhood Services
- SE Uplift
- Southwest Neighborhoods, Inc

Neighborhood Relationships

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