



2023 I Program Application

ELIGIBILITY & NEIGHBORHOOD REGISTRATION:

Fort-ify is open to voluntary Neighborhood Associations registered on the City of Fort Wayne's Neighborhood Association Page.

Neighborhood associations must be registered on the City of Fort Wayne's website to be eligible to apply for and participate in this program. Please visit the following website to confirm that your registration is up to date and/or to register your association before continuing with the application: www.cityoffortwayne.org/neighborhood-registration.html.

Please check this box to confirm that you are eligible to apply

TELL US ABOUT... YOU & YOUR TEAM!

Use this space to tell us more about you, your team, and your vision for the future! (FORT-ify applicants can have up to three representatives of their neighborhood participate in the program. Two of those representatives must live in the neighborhood.)

1. Neighborhood Association & Lead Applicant

Neighborhood Association Name: _____
Name (First & Last) _____
Email Address _____ Phone Number _____
Address _____
City _____ State _____
Postal/ Zip Code _____ Association Role/ Title _____

2. Contact Information for Supporting Applicant 1

Name (First & Last) _____
Email Address _____ Phone Number _____
Role/ Relation to Neighborhood Association _____
(i.e. resident, business owner, association officer, association block captain, association member, etc.)

3. Contact Information for Supporting Applicant 2 (Optional)

Name (First & Last) _____
Email Address _____ Phone Number _____
Role/ Relation to Neighborhood Association _____
(i.e. resident, business owner, association officer, association block captain, association member, etc.)

4. **Tell us your vision for the future of your association in 20 words or less.** (We're looking for leaders who are ready to take their work to the next level. Let us know what you hope to achieve in your association over the next few years.)

5. **Team Knowledge & Skills:** Working together is an essential value of Fort-ify! Let us know what you and your team members will bring to the cohort (i.e. skills, perspectives, resources, etc.) (250-word Limit)

TELL US ABOUT... YOUR NEIGHBORHOOD!

We'd love to know more about the community you are representing.

- 1. Neighborhood Characteristics.** Please let us know about your community's defining characteristics. You can include information about your neighborhood's size, location, character, and anything else you think is important in describing it (i.e. roughly how many how many households or residents are in it, median income, cultures and ethnicities of residents, etc.). (250-word limit)

- 2. What do you or your team see as your neighborhood's biggest...**

...Strength?

...Challenge?

...Dream/ Opportunity?

TELL US ABOUT... YOUR NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION!

We'd love to know more about your neighborhood association and its structure! (Don't worry- If you're just getting established, that won't be held against you.)

1. **Tell us about your neighborhood association.** Great details to mention include roughly how long the association has been around, how many members are involved in meetings, how often you meet, what projects you've completed, and any other details you think are important. (250-word limit)

2. **What do you or your team see as your neighborhood association's biggest...**
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TELL US ABOUT... YOUR VISION!

1. What issues would you be most interested in tackling/addressing in your community? (150-word limit)

2. What additional resources do you think you will need to achieve your goals? (150-word limit)

3. What song best represents your neighborhood and your hope for its future? (Please include the song name, artist, and a video link if possible.)

APPLICATION CHECKLIST:

- Neighborhood Registration (with up to date contact information)
- Lead Applicant is an acting president or vice president of the neighborhood Association
- Supporting Applicant Contact Information (of at least one person)
- At least one supporting applicant is a resident of the neighborhood
- Names and contact information of 2-3 neighborhood leaders
- Completed Application

APPLICATION DEADLINE: 11:59 pm, Friday, March 3rd

Applications can be submitted by using the online form or by completing the PDF application form and emailing it to rena.bradley@cityoffortwayne.org. Both the online and PDF forms can be found on our website at www.fortwayneneighborhoods.org.

PROGRAM MANAGER CONTACT INFORMATION

If you have any additional questions about the accelerator or the application process, contact Réna Bradley at rena.bradley@cityoffortwayne.org or by calling 260-427-2284.