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Upcoming Events and Engagement Opportunities

"Youth Lead" Youth Civic Leadership Academy, Grades 9-11 – Apply Now

Who can be a civic leader? YOU! Apply to be part of the Youth Lead Charlotte-Mecklenburg Civic Leadership Academy.

- Learn first-hand how Charlotte works. Explore the community's history and future, big topics in your city and schools... and your role in helping to create solutions!
- Make friends with youth from different high schools. Meet school and community leaders.
- Build your knowledge, skills, and networks for success and leadership now and into college, career, and civic life.
- Find out about careers connected to local government and civic leadership.
- Become a civic difference maker on the Charlotte-Mecklenburg Youth Council and in additional roles across your city and Charlotte-Mecklenburg Schools.

The Youth Lead Civic Leadership Academy takes place from February 15 - June 7, 2023. Virtual and in-person sessions will be held outside of school approximately twice a month. Seats are limited and the process is competitive. Early applications are encouraged. Apply before February 13. More information: <http://generationnation.org/programs/youth-lead/>

Attend a Neighborhood Matching Grant Pre-Application Workshop to Apply by March 1

The Neighborhood Matching Grants Program (NMG) awards up to \$25,000 to eligible neighborhood-based organizations to complete projects including art, beautification, signage, festivals, sustainability, safety improvements, community gardens, recreational features and more! Applications are accepted March 1, June 1, and September 1, annually. Organizations match funds received with at least 50% volunteer labor; the remaining match may be in the form of more volunteer labor, cash, or in-kind donations (equipment, supplies, professional services, etc.).

Participation in a pre-application workshop is required. One more virtual session, via Zoom, is available before the March 1 application deadline. To get started, attend the following workshop or view the workshop presentation and program guidelines [online](#).

- Monday, February 13, 6 – 7:30 p.m.

To participate, please [register here](#). The login details will be emailed prior to the workshop. For additional information, contact Jackie Clare at jackie.clare@charlottenc.gov.

Volunteer Advisory Board Positions Available!

Did you know the City of Charlotte has 35 [boards and commissions](#), ranging from the Arts and Culture Advisory Board to the Zoning Board of Adjustments? Residents of Mecklenburg County can volunteer to serve by completing an online application and submitting it to the Office of the City Clerk by the deadlines listed in the current [vacancy notice](#). Serving on a board is an opportunity to collaborate with local government and to help shape decisions and policies that impact our community.

The [Neighborhood Matching Grant Fund](#) Board currently has open positions for business and neighborhood representatives. Apply by February 16, 2023. Nominations and appointments will occur on February 27 and March 13. If you are interested in more information serving on the Board, please contact Jackie Clare, 704-336-4594 or jackie.clare@charlottenc.gov.

Mayor's Mentoring Alliance: Mentor Mingle (In-Person Event) - Wednesday, February 15

Please join the Mayor's Mentoring Alliance (MMA) as we return to in-person programming! On Wednesday, February 15 from 6 – 9 p.m., we will host our "Mentor Mingle." The event is organized to allow those in the mentoring community to mingle, learn about mentoring and connect with others interested in mentoring. Light food will be provided.

Join Charlotte's mentoring community and connect with individuals and organizations who can provide mentor/mentee opportunities.

Event Details:

- Wednesday, February 15, 2023
- Time: 6 – 9 p.m.
- Location: Art Gallery of Studio 229 (229 S Brevard St, Charlotte, NC 28202)

The event is FREE. [RSVP to attend](#)

Lowe's Hometowns Signature Impact Grants Now Accepting Nominations

Lowe's is investing \$100 million to restore and revitalize community spaces across the country through the Lowe's Hometowns program. Each year through 2026, Lowe's Hometowns will complete 100 signature projects chosen from consumer nominations, plus nearly 1,700 projects through Lowe's stores, supply chain locations and store support centers across the country.

Lowe's Hometowns is accepting nominations for signature project grants through February 20, 2023. To nominate a project, please use the form below. As you complete your nomination, please keep in mind the following:

- All nominations must be submitted by February 20, 2023, at 11:59 p.m. EST.
- Grants must be used to make physical improvements to a community space.
- Grants must go to a local non-profit that is willing and able to take on the project.
- If you are unsure if your project qualifies, please see the program eligibility guidelines or check out past projects.

[Nominate a project today.](#)

Training on Demand: Queen City Crash Course

Neighborhoods are the heart and foundation of our city, though great places don't happen by chance. Our community is defined and fortified by the thousands of volunteers that commit their time and treasure to take care of their homes, caring for neighbors, building fellowship and improving the community. Residents who dedicate themselves to lead in their neighborhoods—whether in an official capacity or not—are what makes Charlotte a premier city. Join us to learn about how the City partners with neighborhoods to help them be successful.

To learn, [watch the replay](#). Visit the Community Engagement [Training on Demand](#) page for additional training opportunities.

For your consideration

[City Of Charlotte Receives \\$4.4m Federal Grant to Address Intersection And Pedestrian Safety](#)

[New Homeownership Pilot Program in Corridors of Opportunity Provides Up To \\$80,000 In Assistance](#)

[City of Charlotte Seeks Additional Input From Residents On Budget Priorities](#)



Housing & Neighborhood Services

City of Charlotte Housing & Neighborhood Services
Old City Hall, 600 East Trade Street
Charlotte, NC 28202

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Mentor Mingle

Join the Metropolitan Mentoring Alliance (MMA) in its mission to connect organizations.

Along with those in the mentoring community, learn more about mentoring and connect with those passionate about making a difference in Charlotte.

ABOUT MMA:
The Metropolitan Mentoring Alliance actively connects Charlotte's mentoring organizations to promote mentoring and to lead practices through training and workshops, recognition, and establishing quality standards for service delivery.

Event Details:
February 15, 2023
9PM to 9:30PM

The Gallery of the Innovation Collective
225 S. Davidson St.
Charlotte, NC 28202

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