

HEY, NEIGHBOR!



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Transportation/Traffic Grant

OHN was awarded a Community Design for Physical Activity Grant, to facilitate neighborhood-based projects to address transportation and mobility challenges, with a focus on improving safe, active, and equitable transportation access for students, families, and residents.

OHN will work alongside residents, neighborhood associations, municipal departments, and other partners to elevate transportation concerns, align them with adopted plans, and support tangible, on-the-ground improvements.

The project will focus on neighborhoods most impacted by school consolidation, where travel distances, traffic patterns, and safety conditions have changed.

The project will advance visible changes such as:

- Identification and prioritization of safer walking and biking routes to schools, parks, bus stops, and walking school busses,
- Support for traffic calming, signage, or street design improvements in affected neighborhoods,
- Increase resident engagement in transportation planning, and
- Provide clear documentation and communication of neighborhood transportation needs tied to school consolidation.

GO-HNI invites the community to in-person listening sessions to discuss concerns and suggestions they have regarding safely getting children to school. For information on in-person or virtual sessions, please visit www.gohni.org/upcoming-events.

In-person sessions dates, times, and locations:

- **Thursday, March 12, at 6 pm** in the Vel Phillips Middle School Conference Room (B103) and
- **Tuesday, March 17, at 6 pm** in the Oaklawn Elementary School Media Center.

Virtual sessions:

- **Tuesday, March 10, at 10 am,**
- **Thursday, March 19, at 12 pm,**
- **Tuesday, March 24, at 6 pm, and**
- **Thursday, March 26, at 10 am.**

We look forward to your participation, input, and ideas!



Spring RALLY

OSHKOSH HEALTHY NEIGHBORHOODS

3RD ANNUAL KICK-OFF TO CURB APPEAL SEASON!

SATURDAY, APRIL 18TH
9:00 am to 12:00 p.m.
LAKESHORE PAVILION
1875 Punhoqua Street, Oshkosh

\$25 cost includes

9:00 A.M. - 10:00 A.M. Vendor Showcase & Continental Breakfast
10:00 A.M. - 11:15 A.M. Melinda Myers Presentation
11:15 A.M. - 12:00 P.M. Vendor Showcase & Book Signing

gohni.org/events/SpringRally26
920-230-2717

PROCEEDS BENEFIT LOCAL 501(c)3
NON-PROFIT ORGANIZATION OSHKOSH HEALTHY NEIGHBORHOODS

Featuring



MELINDA MYERS
Gardening Expert, Columnist,
Author & More!

**Presentation with Q & A:
Create a Stunning Front Yard &
Entry for All to Enjoy!**

Oshkosh Healthy Neighborhoods is pleased to invite the community to its 3rd Annual Spring Rally featuring Melinda Myers. Ms. Myers, a nationally known gardening expert, TV/radio host, author and columnist, will share ways to *Create a Stunning Front Yard and Entryway for All to Enjoy!* No matter the size of your yard or your budget, she will have ideas for you.

Date: Saturday, April 18, 2026

Time: 9:00 am -12:00 pm

Schedule: 9:00-10:00 Continental breakfast and local home improvement vendors

10:00-11:15 Melinda Meyers presentation with Q & A

11:15-12:00 Book Sales and Signing

Location: Lakeshore Pavilion, 1875 Punhoqua St, Oshkosh, WI 54902

Ticket: \$25 available at: <https://gohni.org/events/springrally26/>

Create A Stunning Front Yard & Entryway for All to Enjoy: Whether you live in the city, the suburbs or beyond, everyone can benefit from some added curb appeal. Melinda will share tips on everything from quick, simple, and affordable to more elaborate makeovers to create a beautiful and welcoming front yard and entrance for you, visitors, and passersby. Learn ways to dress up your front door and walkway, add some creative container gardens or create a stunning garden bed, border, or entryway garden.

She will also have her newest book, *Melinda's Midwest Gardener's Handbook*, 2nd Edition, available for sale and signing. The cost of the book is \$26.99, and proceeds from the book sale will go to Oshkosh Healthy Neighborhoods to support community building and curb appeal grants in City of Oshkosh Neighborhood Associations.

Good Neighbor Grants

It's time to start thinking about summer projects and OHN can help! Good Neighbor Grants reimburse homeowners up to \$750 for exterior improvements made to the street-facing portion of a property. The homeowner is responsible for purchasing materials and/or paying a contractor with a minimum contribution of \$250 paid by the property owner, who can then submit paid receipts to receive up to \$750 in reimbursement for improvements beyond \$250.



Examples of projects include:

- Window/door improvement/replacement
- Step and railing replacement/porch repairs
- Exterior home/garage painting
- Landscaping improvements (trimming of bushes and trees, new plants, removing dead tree stumps, new rock/mulch, borders)
- Garage and fence repairs (street facing)
- Other site improvements may be considered.

Good Neighbor Grant applications will be accepted April 20–May 20, 2026. The grant period may close early if we reach capacity.

Project eligibility requirements and other things to know:

1. The property must be located in a recognized neighborhood association.
2. The project must comply with City of Oshkosh ordinances and permitting.
3. You may only apply once every three years. If you received a grant in 2023, 2024, or 2025 you are not be eligible in 2026, even for a different property.
4. This is a first-come, first-serve program. It is not a competitive grant.
5. You are expected to do the project that you requested in the application.
6. Front yard, street facing projects only, unless you are on a corner lot.

Please review all of the details on our website, at <https://gohni.org/grants-loans/>

Since 2020, Oshkosh Healthy Neighborhoods has issued \$145,000 in reimbursements, supporting over \$700,000 in total property improvements! That is an amazing return on investment. Way to go Oshkosh Neighborhoods!

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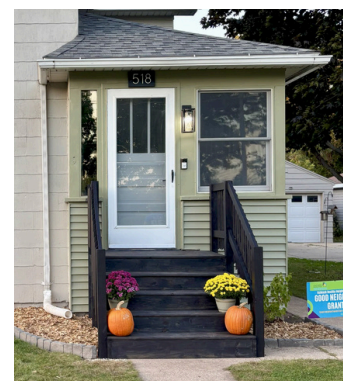
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Before



After



Neighborhood Alliance

The Neighborhood Alliance is made up of a leader or two from each neighborhood. The Alliance meets on the second Monday of the month to share resources and information and to allow for peer to peer exchange. Our next regular meeting is **Monday, March 9, 2026, at 6 pm in the lower level of the Library.** Drew from the City's NEW Communications and Engagement Department wants Neighborhood input into the City's rebranding process. He will be leading a short workshop to gather your feedback.

Each Neighborhood has the opportunity to utilize up to \$1,000 for [Community Building & Engagement](#) to help support social connectedness in your neighborhood



MONTHLY NEIGHBORHOOD ALLIANCE MEETING



2ND MONDAY OF THE MONTH
6 - 7 PM
OSHKOSH PUBLIC LIBRARY (LL)

Meet Your Neighbors

OHN supports 26 recognized neighborhood associations. This month we are highlighting one of the original neighborhoods - Middle Village. OHN's office is in this neighborhood.



Neighborhood Spotlight



- Established:** 2015
- Households:** 181 parcels
- Boundaries:** Jackson St, Irving Ave., and Division St
- Amenities:** Community Green Space/Garden. Centrally located in between Downtown Oshkosh and UWO.
- Favorite Project:** Project Safe Passage - we provide walking tacos and water to students during the Pub Crawl.
- Contact:** lpalmeri54901@gmail.com

Upcoming Events

Alliance Meeting:

Monday, March 9, 6 - 7 pm
Oshkosh Public Library

OHN Board of Directors

Wednesday, March 11, 7:30 - 9 am
OACF Board Room

Traffic Listening Sessions

Thursday, March 12, at 6 pm
Vel Phillips Middle School
Tuesday, March 17, at 6 pm
Oaklawn Elementary

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Spring Rally:

Saturday, April 18, 9 am - 12 pm
Lakeshore Pavilion

Good Neighbor Grants:

Applications open Monday, April 20

Celebrating Neighborhood Heroes:

Thursday, November 5
Venue 404





Community NEWS

91.9 FM Oshkosh together with FOX 11 present



Help for the Homeless HYGIENE DRIVE™

**Feb. 22 -
Mar. 15**

Help ease financial strain on 8 local Oshkosh area homeless and crisis programs and those they serve!

MOST NEEDED ITEMS

- | | | |
|-------------------|-------------------|--------------|
| Bathroom Tissue | Diapers/Baby Care | Paper Towels |
| Cleaning Supplies | Face/Bath Soap | Razors |
| Dental Care | Feminine Care | Hair Care |
| Deodorant | Laundry Detergent | Trash Bags |

Donations remain in the community where collected!



Thanks to our sponsors and event partners! Details at www.TheFamily.net or 800-236-9364.

**FREE
COMMUNITY
ART ROOM
SPACE**

First Monday of the month
11am-6pm

**HOSTED BY
Artist Raven Lev**



**OSHKOSH
FOOD CO-OP**
Everyone's welcome.

Location: 155 Jackson Street, Suite 101
Oshkosh, Wisconsin, 54901
Oshkosh Food Co-op Community Room

About the event:
The art room will be open in the Brio Building Community Room from 11am to 6pm. This is a safe, relaxed environment for adults and children (accompanied by an adult) to enjoy the richness of an artistic community.

What to bring:
Feel free to bring a project you're currently working on or your own favorite supplies. If you're just starting out or don't have gear of your own, there are supplies available on-site for anyone who needs them.



FOR A DONATION OF \$5, THIS YARD SIGN COULD BE YOURS!

OSHKOSH HEALTHY NEIGHBORHOODS

OHN has on-going fundraisers. These cute signs are a friendly reminder for dog walkers. Kwik Trip Car Wash Cards & \$20 gas cards make great gifts. Funds raised go back into neighborhood programs.

Need a Gift?

OSHKOSH HEALTHY NEIGHBORHOODS

Get them something useful:

OHN has Kwik Trip Car Wash Cards
5 Ultimate Car Washes
\$10 each = value \$50
for only \$36!

Contact julie@gohni.org to get yours today!





Community NEWS

March Events at the [Oshkosh Tool Library](#)



EVENTS SCHEDULE 2026

March



SUN 01 **Oshkosh Art Collective Art Supply Swap**
Noon - 2 PM at the Tool Library

3D Printing Open House **TUES DAYS**
Learn, design, fix, and print together
Every Tuesday 1 PM - 4 PM

Oshkosh Seed Savers Spring Seed Swap **SUN 01**
2 PM - 4 PM at Culver Center, UW Campus

SUN 08 **Peaceful Patriots Battle Jacket Workshop**
Noon - 2 PM at the Tool Library

SUN 08 **Organizer Meeting (Public)**
2PM - 3:30 PM at the Tool Library

Unity Oshkosh Care Fair **SAT 21**
11 AM - 3 PM at Vol Phillips

Flock Safety Call to Action **SUN 22**
2 PM at the Tool Library

We're Sew Open **FRI DAYS**
Learn and work on textile projects together
1 - 6 PM at the Tool Library

We're a library with tools instead of books! Hundreds of tools for home repair, gardening, woodworking, and more are available for borrowing and using on site!

DONATION BASED MEMBERSHIP

NEW PROJECT STORAGE AVAILABLE ON SITE

Regular Hours

TUESDAYS 1-6 PM	WEDNESDAYS 6-9 PM
FRIDAYS 1-6 PM	WEEKENDS 10 AM-2 PM

Find us near the movie theater, all the way behind Takiza Restaurant. Look for the signs and logo above the doors.

WELCOMING COMMUNITY GROUPS TO USE MEETING SPACE



MORE INFO:

OSHKOSHTOOLIBRARY.NEOCITIES.ORG

