

# Love YOUR Neighborhood 2019 Awards

Neighborhoods can self-nominate themselves for awards in the following categories. (a 1<sup>st</sup> place and runner up award will be issued)

Nominations are now open! Deadline Friday, August 30, 2019.

## PREMIER Neighborhood Award

2019 marks the 15<sup>th</sup> year that the Neighborhood Advisory Board will recognize neighborhood organizations in the City of Cedar Hill for their work towards improving the quality of life in their communities. This award recognizes the neighborhood for achievement in communication, organizational activities, membership, community partnerships, leadership and beautification. If you feel your neighborhood meets the selection criteria, you are invited to complete an application. The 1<sup>st</sup> place Premier Neighborhood Award recipient receives a check in the amount of \$250 to be used for community building activities.

### Selection Criteria

Neighborhood Engagement is a top priority for your Mayor and City Council. It is important that each neighborhood in our community exhibit the values established by City Council. YOUR Neighborhood Award applications will be evaluated by its ability to demonstrate City Council's Values within the neighborhood.

- People and Relationships (0-10 points)
- Stewardship (0-10 points)
- Highest ethical standards, behavior and integrity (0-10 points)
- Servant Leadership (0-10 points)

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## Application Information:

Neighborhood Name:

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Contact Person: (for additional information/questions):

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Contact's Address:

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City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Contact's E-mail:

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Contact's Phone:

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Please share a (maximum 50 word) description about the program or project being nominated. NOTE: This information will be shared with the judges and used to describe your program/project during the awards ceremony, should an award be earned.

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Attach separate sheet explaining how your neighborhood fits the criteria for the award selected. Examples include: Pictures, spreadsheets, flyers and letters of recommendation.

Deadline for submission: Friday, August 30<sup>th</sup>

**Apply Online**

[www.cedarhilltx.com/premierneighborhood](http://www.cedarhilltx.com/premierneighborhood)



**Premier Award: Benefit (points)**

**• Partnership Building/Neighborhood Engagement**

(People and Relationships)

Describe how your neighborhood or crime watch organization continues to build partnerships with businesses, churches, civic groups, and/or with other neighborhoods and community based groups. Examples include: Block party or National Night Out event, partnership with local business to provide service or materials to enhance the neighborhood, or any example of partnership building with a church or civic group.

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**• Self Help/Financial Capability**

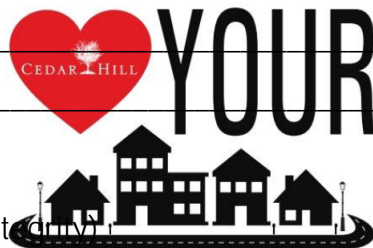
(Stewardship)

Describe how your neighborhood or crime watch organization utilizes all financial, natural, and human resources, to help families flourish in a clean and safe environment. Examples of this include your neighborhood organization's efforts to help enforce the city of Cedar Hill Code of Ordinances, educating residents on ways to keep their home and property safe with crime watch meetings and activities, maintaining a financial budget or fundraising efforts.

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**• Leadership Development**

(Highest ethical standards, behavior and integrity)

Describe how your neighborhood or crime watch organization models and promotes the highest standards of ethics, integrity and behavior throughout the community. Examples include: Participating in the Citizens Police or Fire Academy, established board of directors or committee chair, or regular neighborhood meetings.

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**• Volunteerism**

(Servant Leadership)

Describe how your neighborhood or crime watch organization participates in volunteer activities throughout the city as well as in your neighborhood. Examples include: booth at the City-wide Block Party, Country Day, or other community event. Assisting a resident in need with home maintenance or lawn care needs. Members of your organization serve on a board or commission.

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In order to help better understand your application, please answer the following questions using no more than five (5) double-sided 8 ½” x 11” white pages.

**Tell us about your neighborhood and neighborhood organization.**

- Briefly describe your neighborhood.
- When was your neighborhood association formed? How many people live in your neighborhood? How many people are involved in neighborhood meetings on a regular basis?

**Inform us about the nominated project or activity.**

- Describe your project/activity. Identify when it started, who initiated it and what you were trying to accomplish.
- What prompted your organization to develop this project/activity? Please describe circumstances and/or situations that made this a priority for your neighborhood residents.
- List the six (6) critical steps/tasks your group took to develop/implement this project/activity? Describe the role and level of involvement of neighborhood residents in each of the steps.
- Why do you think this project was successful? Describe why it was beneficial, how it changed the neighborhood, and any unexpected surprises resulting from the project/activity.
- If this project involved other partners, who were involved, what role did they play, and how critical were they to the success of the project/activity?
- If this project/activity was going to be replicated by other neighborhoods, what four pieces of advice and/or lessons would you give to them?

**Please attach the following items:**

- A budget showing income and expenses related to the project/activity including, but not limited to: donations, grants, in-kind support and volunteer hours committed.
- Up to six (6) additional items you feel will help the judges have a better understanding of your project/activity.
- Pictures