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SUBJECT: Love Your Block launches second year of programs and grants for residents

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[Duluth, MN] It's a new year of resident-led neighborhood projects, community connections, and collaboration between neighbors and city staff. In 2023, Love Your Block will host a learning series, service days, and provide mini-grants for residents to complete improvement projects on their block. Focus topics for Love Your Block 2023 include abandoned waste and trash, home repairs, trees, and community connection.

Residents and community organizations in Central Hillside and Lincoln Park are eligible to **apply for \$500 mini-grants by June 1, 2023** to fund the following projects: community clean-ups, hosting a community gathering, trimming overgrown trees and bushes, planting trees, and performing small home repairs. Love Your Block staff are available to support residents both in their grant applications and throughout their mini-grant projects.

All Duluthians are welcome to attend the following Love Your Block Learning Series events. Each event will include refreshments and children's programming provided by Northern Expressions Art Collective (NEAC).

Let's Talk (about) Trash – Wednesday, April 19, 6-8 pm

In partnership with WLSSD and City of Duluth Life Safety Division Location: Harrison Community Center (3002 West 3rd Street, Duluth,

A Tree Grows on My Block – Tuesday, May 16, 6-8 pm

In partnership with City of Duluth Forestry Division

Location: Harrison Community Center (3002 West 3rd Street, Duluth, MN)

These Old Houses - Tuesday, June 13, 6-8 pm

In partnership with City of Duluth Planning & Economic Development Department, City of Duluth Life Safety Division, and Duluth HRA

Location: Harrison Community Center (3002 West 3rd Street, Duluth, MN)

Duluth Neighborhood History - Tuesday, July 18, 6-8 pm

In partnership with The Depot

Location: The Depot (506 W Michigan Street)

More information can be found at <u>duluthmn.gov/love-your-block/</u> or by contacting the Love Your Block Fellow Sarah Erickson at <u>serickson@duluthmn.gov</u> or (218) 348-2165.

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