

Neighborhood Council Financial Resources

General Budgets

Each Neighborhood Council has their own general budget of \$800/year to spend on neighborhood related expenses. Examples include meeting room expenses, meeting refreshments, postage, copies or anything related to the neighborhood councils activity during the year.

Mailing Supplement

Each Neighborhood Council is also given a mailing supplement budget, to be used specifically for neighborhood related mailings printing and postage. The entire mailing budget is \$10,000 and is divided among each Neighborhood Council by population. The budget is determined by the following formula:

- a) Population of NC as % of total population (x) \$10,000 = Mailing budget

Appendix G contains information on 'How To' utilize neighborhood funds.

Role in Budget Process

Each Neighborhood Council and the Community Forum may submit a budget proposal each year pursuant to the City-established review processes and procedures for consideration, review and approval by the Mayor and the City Council.

The review process is presented at Community Forum. Often Community Forum asks neighborhood representatives to take the budget review information to their neighborhoods and to return with suggestions. These suggestions are compiled into one document and approved by Community Forum to be presented to the City Council and the Mayor.

Appendix H contains information on the Office of Neighborhoods timeline.

Neighborhood Websites

Each Neighborhood Council has its own website through the Office of Neighborhoods website at www.missoula-neighborhoods.org.

Appendix I has a cheat sheet on 'How To' update your website. The Office of Neighborhoods can also provide training to each neighborhood as needed.