



Belmar- Certifiably Sustainable



Upcoming Events

August 6, 2013

National Night Out
 Belmar Square Park
 5-8 pm

August 12, 2013

City Council Recognition
 For a brief acknowledgement
 honoring Belmar's achievements
 480 S. Allison Pkwy.
 Civic Center South
 7 pm

September 19, 2013

New Initiatives &
 Projects Workshop
 Location: Ohio Center for
 Broadcasting
 404 S. Upham St.
 6:30-8 pm

Belmar: A Certified "Outstanding Sustainable Neighborhood"

The Belmar neighborhood has achieved certification from the City of Lakewood as an "Outstanding Sustainable Neighborhood" through the City's Sustainable Neighborhoods Program.

In 2012, participating Belmar residents worked together to select a variety of sustainability initiatives based on resident interests and existing opportunities specific to the community and neighborhood. The successful implementation of Belmar's unique sustainability initiatives has resulted in the reduction of Belmar's ecological footprint and the growth of Belmar's sense of community.



Belmar's Community Garden

Custom signage is currently being designed for the neighborhood so Belmar can proudly identify itself as an "Outstanding Sustainable Neighborhood" within Lakewood.

Neighborhood initiatives included projects addressing air quality, health and wellness, community gardening, Downtown Lakewood connectivity, participation and outreach at special events (including Earth Day and the opening celebration for the W Line), energy

The Belmar neighborhood will be recognized for its certification at the August 12, 2013, regular meeting of the Lakewood City Council. The meeting will be in the City Council chambers at 480 S. Allison Parkway, South Building at 7 p.m. All Belmar residents are invited to attend and share in the celebration of this great accomplishment.



This newsletter was made
for Belmar residents,
by Belmar residents.
 Please take a few minutes to check it out!

Neighborhood Newsletter:

This newsletter was produced by the Belmar Community Connection registered neighborhood organization in partnership with the City of Lakewood Sustainable Neighborhoods Program. We welcome your ideas support and participation.

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National Night Out
Tuesday, August 6
 5-8 pm
 Belmar Square Park

It's a Potluck, so bring a Dish

extras provided by Baker St. Pub & Grill, Century Theater, Champa Street Burger Works, Elephant Bar Restaurant, Jamba Juice, Little India Restaurant & Bar, Mile High Wine & Spirits, P.F. Chang's China Bistro, Paciugo Gelato & Caffè, Ted's Montana Grill, The Oven Pizza e Vino, R Design LLC, Rocko's Tacos, The Press Coffee Company, The Rock Wood Fired Pizza & Spirits, Wasabi Sushi Bar, Whole Foods Market Belmar, Wystone's World Teas, and Zinga! Frozen Yogurt

This is a non-alcohol event

Certified Sustainable Neighborhood

SUSTAINABILITY INITIATIVES & ACCOMPLISHMENTS

Air Quality

Participation in regional air quality programs requiring residents to pledge to reduce the number of vehicle trips per week, bike to work, and community rides.

Outreach, Communication, and Social Media

Community building including the development and maintenance of email lists, newsletters, postcards, and social media including the Belmar Sustainable Facebook page (Facebook.com/BelmarSustainable).

Health & Wellness

Partnership with St. Anthony Health Passport Belmar including the creation of a health and wellness program called WalkBelmar and leadership in planning Belmar's National Night Out events.

Belmar Community Garden

Planning and oversight of the new Belmar community garden. Transition from construction and planning to education and outreach in the garden's second year. This has included workshops and developing business and nonprofit partnerships.

Downtown Lakewood Connectivity Planning

Participation in planning process for the Downtown Lakewood Connectivity Plan.

Special Events

Providing information and outreach at various community events including Earth Day and the W Line grand opening.

Energy Efficiency

Conducting energy audits for residential buildings in the Belmar district.

Waste and Recycling

Household hazardous waste collection event and composting education associated with the Belmar community garden.

2012-2013 Belmar Program Credits:

100

"Outstanding"

Credit Breakdown

Activity Type	Credits Awarded
Workshops	20
Neighborhood Resources	40
Special Events	30
Implementation	10



Two Ways to Celebrate With Us!

NATIONAL NIGHT OUT CELEBRATION

AUGUST 6, 2013, 5-8pm
Belmar Square Park

Sustainable Belmar at National Night Out!

Featuring
The Sustainable Belmar Photo Booth

Take pictures with fun costumes and sustainability-themed props!

Learn about how you can get involved with the program. Share your ideas!

FREE!!

CITY COUNCIL RECOGNITION

AUGUST 12, 2013, 7pm
480 S. Alison Pkwy.
Civic Center South

Join your neighbors as Lakewood City Council honors Belmar for achieving certification as an "Outstanding Sustainable Neighborhood."

Featuring
Highlights of neighborhood accomplishments

Unveiling of custom neighborhood signage

How To Get Involved

What Are Your **Ideas**

..... for

New **Initiatives?**

NEW INITIATIVES & PROJECTS WORKSHOP

SEPTEMBER 19, 2013, 6:30-8 pm
Ohio Center for Broadcasting, 404 S. Upham St.

Belmar residents will be working together to identify sustainability initiatives for 2013/14. Now is your chance to join your neighbors in building a sustainable community. If you are interested in one of the initiatives listed or eager to see a new initiative in Belmar, please attend this meeting to offer your help and expertise.

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