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RECREATION

Free Summer Water Programs

Offer free swim and water programs at the Berwyn Pool for all ages, improving health, water safety, and community connection. Each class costs approximately \$1,000 for instructors, materials, and promotion. The number and type of classes would be determined after the election, factoring in other winning projects.

Pavek Community Center Upgrades

Provide funding to upgrade and improve the Pavek Community Center at 31st and East. Approximate allocation up to \$30,000.

Safe Biking Lessons for Children, Teens, and Adults

Offer bike safety lessons for children, teens, and adults to promote safe riding habits. Estimated cost of \$1,000 per class including speaker fees, marketing, and materials. The number of classes would be determined after the election, factoring in other winning projects.



HEALTH

Healthy Food For All In Berwyn

Provide grants to local food pantries to purchase fresh produce and host community cooking classes focused on healthy eating and disease prevention. The total cost of grants and classes would be up to 25,000.

Culture and Movement

Host fun, culturally inspired health and wellness classes promoting healthy food, movement, and mental health awareness while embracing Latino culture. Each class costs approximately \$1,000 for presenters and materials. The number of classes would be determined after the election, factoring in other winning projects.

Outdoor Fitness Equipment

Install basic outdoor fitness equipment at Lesak Park (26th and East) or partner with the Park District or Rec Center to provide residents with free, accessible exercise options. For an entry level piece, the expected cost with installation would be up to \$25,000



PUBLIC SAFETY

Safer Pedestrian Access

Install solar-powered flashing stop and crossing signs at key intersections, and fund a driver awareness campaign to promote safe driving. Total cost of the signage and driver awareness campaign estimated to be up to \$25,000.

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Senior Citizens Movement

Healthy low impact movement classes paired with health workshops for qualifying residents over 55 years of age. Classes in English and Spanish. Estimated cost of \$1,000 per class for instructor fees, marketing, and materials. The number of classes would be determined after the election, factoring in other winning projects.

Senior Home Safety Checks

Partner with police and fire departments to provide free home safety checks, smoke detectors, CO alarms, and fall-prevention kits to qualifying residents over 55 years of age. Up to \$11,500 would fund up to 100 households with new smoke detectors, carbon monoxide alarms, and fall-prevention kits (grab bar, non-slip bath mat, night light, etc.) as well as the costs of program outreach.

Safe Seniors

Free self-defense classes for seniors at the new senior center or Berwyn Public Library to qualifying residents over 55 years of age. Estimating \$1,000 per class for instructor fees, marketing, transportation and materials.



ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION

Home Flood Reduction

Offer grants for homeowners to install backflow drain inserts, disconnect downspouts, or purchase water barrels to prevent sewage backup during storms. The total cost is estimated to be up to \$20,000.

Green Alley Program

Create a grant program to transform neglected alleys or public spaces into green, plant-filled areas that absorb rainwater and support pollinators. Estimated cost up to \$10,000.

The Health and Environmental Benefits of Native Trees and How to Care for Them

Host bilingual workshops with arborists on the benefits and care of native trees in Berwyn yards and parkways. Estimated cost per talk of \$1,000 for speaker fee, marketing, and materials. The number and type of classes would be determined after the election, factoring in other winning projects.

Parkway Native Gardens

Create a grant program for residents to plant native rain gardens on parkways, reducing basement flooding and sewer overflow. Estimated cost up to \$15,000 for up to 30 blocks to receive \$500 in materials.

