



SUSTAIN O'KANE NEIGHBORHOOD NEWSLETTER

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CITY OF LAKEWOOD SUSTAINABLE NEIGHBORHOODS PROGRAM

The Sustainable Neighborhoods Program gives residents the opportunity to become active partners in making Lakewood a vibrant and sustainable community. Neighborhoods participating in this unique certification program use guidance from City staff to organize workshops, projects, and events that enhance the livability of their neighborhood and reduce residents' ecological footprint.

Learn more at:
SustainableNeighborhoodNetwork.org/Lakewood

NEIGHBORHOOD BOUNDARIES



CALLING ONE AND ALL TO HELP SUSTAIN O'KANE!

If you haven't heard the best news that 2020 has yet to offer us, O'Kane Park is one of the newest Sustainable Neighborhoods recognized by the City of Lakewood! Inclusion into this award-winning, nationally recognized program will allow us all to take the love for our neighborhood and environment to the next level. The O'Kane Park Neighborhood Association Board has taken the lead with the help of other neighbors and now we are seeking your help too!

Please take a moment to fill out the survey at the end of this newsletter or online. Let us know who you are and what areas interest you the most. Together, we will plan neighborhood initiatives focused on one or more of the five main target areas: Air, Water, Land, Energy, and People. Many events and workshops are to come, and we want to include as many neighbors as possible.

Send us your ideas and let's all Sustain O'Kane!

Sincerely,

- Your Neighborhood
Leadership Team

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YOUR IDEAS.
YOUR HOME.**

WELCOME TO THE O'KANE PARK NEIGHBORHOOD

The drive to become a member of the Sustainable Neighborhoods was spurred on by community interest and support as well as the O'Kane Park Neighborhood Association. And as a neighborhood, we couldn't be happier or more proud to be a part of this cutting edge neighborhood program.

Who are we? Where are we?

The O'Kane Park Neighborhood supports the community in and around the historic O'Kane Park, located at 7101 West First Avenue. After a recent expansion, the O'Kane neighborhood now covers neighbors from Harlan to Wadsworth to Sixth Avenue and Alameda - that's quite a footprint!

The O'Kane Park Neighborhood Association established its by-laws in 2002 and has been working ever since to provide a safe, fun, engaging and now sustainable neighborhood! The OKPNA is responsible for such community-driven events as an annual park cleanup day, summer potluck party as well as annual holiday house lighting contests. Speaking of lighting, the OKPNA gets the holiday season started with the yearly tradition of decorating and lighting the O'Kane House, which is now a designated as an official Lakewood historical site.

O'Kane Park was built on the former Harp Dairy Farm and the compound of the house, bunkhouse, and barn have been preserved as a shining example of what life was like in the late 1800s to the early 1900s. In 2017, the house and farm was designated a local historic district and was awarded a State Historical Fund grant in 2019.

With a wealth of Lakewood history in our backyards, the O'Kane Neighborhood is deeply rooted and committed to helping drive the community into the future and beyond. Won't you join us?



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UPCOMING EVENTS



O'KANE PARK TRASH CLEAN UP DAYS

August 9-23

Throughout the O'Kane Park Neighborhood

We have adjusted our typical annual trash clean up to align with social distancing practices. Incidentally, this new event will allow us to address more hotspots for trash within our community. We live in the most beautiful neighborhood in Lakewood and it's not incidental that our streets and sidewalks are tidy. We frequently see our amazing neighbors picking up after others. If you see someone cleaning up, please thank them.

Please let us know if you are planning to do a cleanup, we have some supplies.

NEIGHBORHOOD SURVEY

Involvement in the Sustain O'Kane effort is completely voluntary; however, all residents are invited and encouraged to participate! We have created a survey to identify what initiatives are of most interest to our neighbors and whether or not we have leaders and support teams for these efforts. There are two ways to take the survey:

TO TAKE THE SURVEY VISIT

[SUSTAINABLENEIGHBORHOODNETWORK.ORG/OKANEPARK](https://sustainableneighborhoodnetwork.org/okanepark)

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