

Projects approved for the Thriving Neighborhoods Challenge for 2019 are:

Project Name	Location	Grant	Description
Canvas Murals for Vacant Homes	Hamilton Hill	\$800	Beautify neighborhood by recruiting students to create artwork on canvases to be hung over the windows of vacant homes.
Howe Outdoor Natural Play Space	Howe Elementary School	\$11,500	Create a natural outdoor play space to support nature-inspired learning and recreation.
Our Community Library	Various locations in City	\$1,400	Build and install free book library boxes around the City, filling them with donated books for neighborhood youth to read and own.
Spray Pad Cooling Area	Woodlawn	\$55,000	Install a water feature to give residents a fun, safe way to cool off and enjoy the summer months.
Show the Love Where You Live	Hamilton Hill & Vale	\$44,000	Decorate trash receptacles to encourage usage instead of littering; educate neighborhood to change the mindset of those who litter.
Rainbow Pride Art	Gateway Park	\$22,000	Install a rainbow pride art sculpture made of colorful wooden frames; including educational panels about LGBTQ equal rights movement.
Cleaner and Greener Mont Pleasant	Mont Pleasant	\$14,000	Organize clean-up efforts in Mont Pleasant, and teach youth the proper ways to recycle and to care about their neighborhood environment.
Northside Pride	Northside/Goose Hill Neigh	\$24,200	Provide trash receptacles for residents in the Northside neighborhood, include educational component to change the mindset of the community.
Schenectady and Me	Various locations in City	\$26,400	Create and display sculptural benches using tiles created by community members, to beautify the area and to increase resident contributors' pride in their work and City.
Phoenix Walks	Hamilton Hill	\$38,500	Create an art walk through the Hamilton Hill community, to include street murals, sculpture and flower gardens, and historical neighborhood information.
Reawakening East Front Street	East Front Street	\$8,900	"Reawaken" a seemingly-forgotten neighborhood by adding welcome banners, trash cans, historical signage, and murals throughout its six streets.
East, Center, and West Alley Trash Containment	Boulevards Neighborhood	\$3,300	Provide trash receptacles for residents in the East, Center, and West Alleys to help clean up and make the streets safer.
	Total All Grants	\$250,000	

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