

PDC Announces 2009 Community Livability Grants

PDC awarded six Community Livability Grants to neighborhood groups in the Interstate Corridor Urban Renewal Area on July 1, 2009. Community Livability Grants help fund improvements to community facilities, historic buildings and other important neighborhood amenities. This year's grants ranged from \$9,000 to \$95,000, for a total commitment of \$301,924 in urban renewal funds. The grants are described below.



Peninsula Children's Center

<u>Grantee</u>	<u>Project Location</u>	<u>Project Scope</u>
Amazing Grace Childcare	1030 N Lombard St	Provide new playground equipment and ground work to serve the organization's childcare center.
Garden Sheds by OTI	Boise-Eliot Community Garden (N Fremont & Haight), Humboldt Community Garden (N Alberta & Gantenbein), Portsmouth Community Garden (N Courtenay & Hunt)	Construct three garden sheds, one in each of three community gardens located in Boise, Humboldt and Portsmouth neighborhoods; to be built by youth from the community, providing girls with valuable skills and exposure to trade careers.
Historic Columbian Cemetery	1151 N Columbia Blvd (@ I-5 interchange)	Repair tombstones, markers and monuments; add a cargo container for maintenance storage; replace water pipelines; and restore the gazebo at this historic cemetery in which are buried one of Oregon's first millionaires and a former slave, among others.
Oregon Community Warehouse	3961 NE Martin Luther King Jr Blvd	Address essential building repairs, energy efficient upgrades, create useable space in existing warehouse, and develop interior office space to accommodate relocation of services to this site.
Paul Bunyan	N Interstate & Denver	Repair, restore and repaint the Paul Bunyan statue in Kenton neighborhood. Paul Bunyan was recently named to the National Register of Historic Places.
Peninsula Childcare	4720 N Maryland Ave	Replace the most deteriorated sections of the roof of this 100 year-old building.

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