



# Kitchener e-neighbour

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## Special Awards Highlight Neighbourhood Efforts to Improve the Community

*Neighbourhood gatherings that pay attention to important aspects of the community can qualify to receive special awards*

Has your neighbourhood held an activity with a special focus? Then your neighbourhood might qualify for a special award. Be sure to highlight how your neighbourhood activity was organized around a certain community value when you register with the Festival of Neighbourhoods to qualify for one of the special awards listed:

- Neighbourhood Connections Award** Demonstrating a need and desire to improve the neighbourhood and the quality of life of its residents
- Inclusion Award** Purposefully designing a neighbourhood gathering to be inclusive of diversity
- Arts & Culture Award** Using arts and culture as a means of bringing neighbours together
- Green Neighbourhood Award** Gathering neighbours for environmental action, conservation or beautification
- Safer Neighbourhood Award** Building a stronger, safer neighbourhood by encouraging community engagement and participation
- Youth Award** Celebrating youth leadership in bringing their neighbours together
- Heritage Award** Recognizing the heritage of our neighbourhood and community in our neighbourhood gathering
- Newcomer Award** First time registrant with Festival of Neighbourhoods
- Pillar Award** Neighbourhood participation for five or more years

**Festival of Neighbourhoods applauds the great work of all those who bring neighbours together to build healthier, safer, and more fun neighbourhoods!**



Schneider Creek Porch Party brought neighbours together around music, making it eligible for the Arts & Culture Award



Mansion Greens brings neighbours together with this community garden, making it eligible for the Green Award.

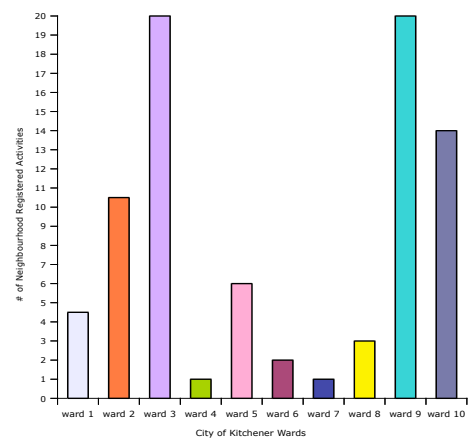


Mount Hope-Breithaupt reflected on its transformation from manufacturing to hi-tech industries on Jane's Walk, making it eligible for the Heritage Award

### FoN QUICK LINKS

- [Useful Tips and Resources](#)
- [Neighbourhood Activity Guide](#)
- [Registration Form - Mail/Fax](#)
- [Full Registration](#)
- [Neighbourhood Activity Trunk](#)
- [Frequently Asked Questions](#)
- [Grant Opportunities from the City of Kitchener](#)

### Ward Challenge



Neighbourhood Registrations by Ward as of September 6, 2016

**Everyone Wins When Neighbours Come Together!**

### FoN BILLBOARD

- A new opportunity to improve your neighbourhood will be making its debut at the Festival Finale on October 16, courtesy of the City of Kitchener. A second lucky neighbourhood will now be able to win a **\$10,000 capital improvement grant!**
- Congratulations to **Stanley Park Neighbourhood**, winner of the 4th Early Bird Draw! They had a Family Day Swim and will be receiving a \$50 gift card for their upcoming event.
- Share information on upcoming events in your neighbourhood on our [Facebook](#) and [Twitter](#) accounts, or by adding us to your [mailing list](#).
- Check out the [map](#) of Kitchener's neighbourhoods to find out how people are coming together with their neighbours.
- [Contact us](#) if you would like to share a story about something special that happened at your neighbourhood gathering. We would like to know all about it, so we can mention it at the upcoming Festival Finale in October.

To ensure that your activity qualifies your neighbourhood for the \$20,000 capital improvement grant draw, give us a call or email. [Register](#) qualifying neighbourhood activities held between October 1, 2015 and September 30, 2016 with the Festival of Neighbourhoods before October 5, 2016. Join us at the Festival Finale at Kitchener City Hall on October 16 from 1:00 to 3:00pm, when the draw for the **\$20,000** neighbourhood improvement grant will be held and the winner announced.