



**GRANDMONT
ROSEDALE
DEVELOPMENT
CORPORATION**

19800 Grand River
Detroit, MI 48223

Nonprofit
Organization
U.S. Postage
PAID
Detroit, MI
Permit No. 217

Return Service Requested

News Around the Neighborhood

MOVIE IN THE PARK!

On Saturday, Sept. 12 from 7:30 – 10 pm GRDC is hosting Movie in the Park! at Ramsay Park on Longacre in Grandmont! This family-friendly film event will be a great way to gather safely and enjoy our community. The film is “Spider-Man: Into the Spider-Verse” (rated PG), and the event is free. All of Grandmont Rosedale is warmly welcome. If you have questions contact Kathy Garrett at kgarrett@grandmontrosedale.com.



PPE GIVEAWAY

There will be another Personal Protective Equipment giveaway in September. Stay tuned to GRDC to find out the date, time, and location. Contact Kitty Yarbrough if you have questions: kyarbrough@grandmontrosedale.com.

GET HELP APPLYING FOR PROPERTY TAX EXEMPTION

The Homeowner’s Property Tax Assistance Program has gone online. To receive help completing the online Property Tax Exemption Application, contact Community Engagement Manager Kitty at kyarbrough@grandmontrosedale.com or 313.387.4732, ext. 103.

NEIGHBORHOOD SAFETY MEETING

GRDC’s Crime Prevention Task Force (CPTF) organizes the Neighborhood Safety Meetings which have moved to an online platform. Stay in touch with GRDC for information about the next Neighborhood Safety Meeting. The CPTF and the Vacant Property Task Force meetings have also moved online. You’ll find the information you need to participate by contacting Community Engagement Manager Kitty Yarbrough at kyarbrough@grandmontrosedale.com or 313.387.4732, ext. 103.

KEEP IN TOUCH!

Grandmont Rosedale is a community of five neighborhoods, each with their own activities and initiatives. To stay on top of all that’s happening in Grandmont Rosedale, sign up for GRDC’s weekly eblast by emailing your request to info@grandmontrosedale.com. You can also visit grandmontrosedale.com to learn about GRDC’s many initiatives. “Like” our Facebook pages: Grandmont Rosedale Development Corporation, Northwest Detroit Farmers’ Market, and Grand River WorkPlace. You can also follow us on Instagram: [grandmontrosedale_devel_corp](https://www.instagram.com/grandmontrosedale_devel_corp), [nwdetroitfarmersmarket](https://www.instagram.com/nwdetroitfarmersmarket), and [grworkplace](https://www.instagram.com/grworkplace).

313.387.4732 • www.grandmontrosedale.com



Update

Summer 2020

INSIDE

Thanks to All.....	2
Beautification Projects.....	4
PPE Giveaway.....	6
More Green Infrastructure	7

Coming to the Heart of the Grandmont Rosedale Community: A New, Mixed-Use Development

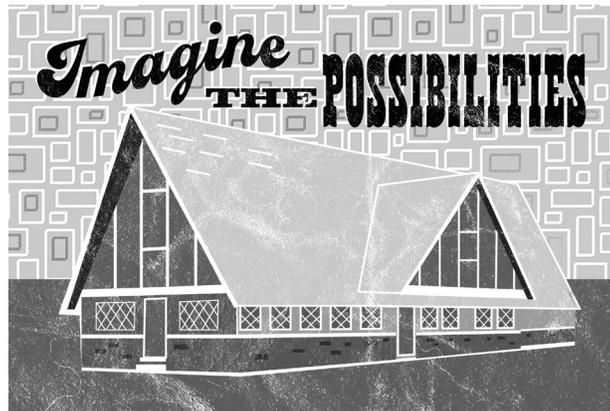
Beginning with a feasibility study in 2017, followed by further community engagement opportunities that asked Grandmont Rosedale residents and business owners what they would like to see in their community, a theme emerged. Residents and small business owners love their community and they don't want to leave. Once residents no longer wish to live in a single family house, many of them have to leave Grandmont Rosedale to find alternative housing. Too often residents sought goods and services that were not offered in Grandmont Rosedale, and so they spent their money elsewhere. Community members envisioned a community that provided a way for them to stay in the community they love without owning a single-family home, and more opportunities for residents to spend their dollars in their own community. As these issues consistently emerged as a result of community engagement, GRDC began the exciting process of building a new, mixed-use development on Grand River in the heart of our community that will include senior housing.

This development will coincide with the renovation of residential housing units on Outer Drive. Together the renovated apartments and the new development will create a campus that will include retail small business spaces, and interactive community spaces where all Grandmont Rosedale residents can gather for activities such as yoga or a cooking class, enjoy live music, or even just to have a cup of coffee and chat. The retail spaces will be open to everyone in the Grandmont Rosedale community and this development will allow our residents to age in place.

ENRICHING OUR SMALL BUSINESS COMMUNITY

FoodLab Detroit, the Detroit-based organization committed to healthy food accessibility for all Detroit residents, will be partnering with GRDC to bring healthy, local food retail and dining options to the space, offering a platform for small business food entrepreneurs in Detroit to truly shine.

This is an exciting and ambitious new project for GRDC and the entire community. We will work with an experienced multifamily development partner who will,



as Executive Director Sherita Smith says, "help us fulfill the community vision to make this section of Grand River a walkable destination for dining and entertainment with more diverse housing options."

CONTINUING RESIDENT COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT

Grandmont Rosedale has a long history of residents who are involved in creating the kind of community they

envision. This historic energy inspired GRDC to apply for and receive a Kresge Foundation Kresge Innovative Projects: Detroit (KIP:D) grant. This planning grant would support research and development of a resident investment option to financially support the project through shared ownership. Economic Development Manager Kiki Louya is particularly excited about this option: "What better way to tap into the collective, historic wisdom of the community than to give residents the option to invest in the community in which they live?"

MAKING A COMMUNITY FOR THE FUTURE

This development will significantly contribute to the stability of the Grandmont Rosedale community. Many of our elders are experienced community activists. In many ways the Grandmont Rosedale community owes its longevity and stability to our elders. With this new development, they need not leave the community they helped create, and the entire community will benefit from their remaining here. The presence of new businesses and new community spaces will further ensure that future generations will know and experience the wonderful sense of community that has sustained so many for so many years.



2020 GRDC BOARD OF DIRECTORS

ROSEDALE PARK

Frank D. Raben, Treasurer
Renee Kent, President
Dale Thomson

NORTH ROSEDALE PARK

William Frey, Vice President
Desirae Tolbert
Tim Beckett

GRANDMONT

Charlotte Wright
Kevin Johnson
Jomo King

GRANDMONT #1

Annie Mae Holt
Oliver Cole
Cheryl Minniefield

MINOCK PARK

Kenneth Wolfe

AT LARGE

Phil Schloop
Bernard Morgan
Vicki Holmes, Secretary

GRDC

19800 Grand River
Detroit, MI 48223
313.387.4732 Voice
313.387.5158 Fax

Email us at
info@grandmontrosedale.com

Visit our web page at
www.grandmontrosedale.com

GRDC is a non-profit, community-based organization working to preserve and improve the Grandmont Rosedale Neighborhoods of northwest Detroit. We take a comprehensive approach to community revitalization, with programs designed to renovate vacant homes, assist local homeowners and businesses, beautify our community and keep our neighborhoods safe and vibrant.

GRDC STAFF

Sherita Smith, Executive Director
Kiki Louya, Economic Development Manager
Kitty Yarbrough, Community Engagement Manager
Tom Ridgway, Construction and Facilities Manager
Jocelyn Moss, Administrative Assistant
Kathy Garrett, Communications Manager

Thanks to Our Supporters

GRDC thanks the following families and businesses for their generous support of our programs between January 1, 2020 – July 31, 2020. Your contributions make a real difference in our community! If we've forgotten your name on either the donor or volunteer list, we apologize and please let us know! Contact Jocelyn Moss at jocelyn@grandmontrosedale.com or 313.387.4732, ext. 104.

CONTRIBUTORS

Eric Adams
Sandra Anderson
Richard Berlin
Nancy Bitzarakis
Christopher Bloodworth
Loretta Bochenek
Leonard Boehm
Robert Bonner
John Boss Sr.
Mackie Bradford
Walter Brown
Marsha Bruhn
Debreeca Byrd
Henry Cade
Raymond Callaway
Joseph Candie
Carl Castle
Carol Christo
Eloise Clark
Patricia Cook
Freddie Cook
Shaun Cooper
Carolyn Cruise
Cedric Dawson
Shondel Days
Ferdie Dickerson
Jim Domke
Goldman Donato
Jim Dwight
DeWitt Dykes
Donald Echols
Kenneth Eichhorn
Harry Franklin
Rick & Kathy Garrett
Gretchen Gillard Rudy
Denise Gimpel
Thomas Goddeeris
Cliff Green
Sandra Green
Joe Greene
Brenda Greene
Stuart Grigg
Clifton Grove
Emily Hall
Edward Haroutunian
Harold Harris
Robert Heins
Zelda Holloway
Zelda Holloway
Annie Mae Holt
Byron Hubbard
Dr. Melanie Hwalek
John Jachman
Alan Jacobson
Kevin Johnson
Leon Johnson
Rodney Johnson
Geneva & Deborah Kent
Christopher Kiesling
Ken Koester
Beatrice Kuhl
Paul Kulesa
Stephen Lange
Dr. Frank Lanzilote
Trevor Latyon

Trevor Layton
Billy Lewis
Michael Lewis
Yvonne Lowry
Victor Marsh
Avon Martin
Karen Mason
Lloyd Mason
Chris McEvoy
Gloria McNairy
Jacqueline McNeil
Charles Means
Priscilla Miller-Summers
Hazel Minor
Carolyn Murphy
Donna Murray-Brown
Tiffany Ng
Joe & Gwendolyn Norman
Mary Obelnicki
Frank Obelnicki
Charlotte Patnaude
Tarry Paylor
Duane Perry
Richard Pierce
Linda Pride
Richard & Elizabeth Quick
Chris Ratkowski
Robert Reese
Jeanne Rem
Chris Remus
Thomas & Chris Ridgway
Karen Ridgway
Charles Rooney
Robert Roselle
Deborah Roundtree
Phil Schloop
Robert Scott
Mitchell Shamsud-Din
Alvin Shivers
Craig Silverstein
Johnnie & Barbara Simuel
Craig Siverstein
Ernestine Smith
Brunetta Smith
William Steiner
Raghuvir Talwalker
Cynthia Taueg
Tess Tchou
Espy Thomas
Cassandra Thomas
Rashida Tlaib
Christopher Trey
Rev. Charles Twymon
Jasmine Uduma
Charlene Ursey
Bruce & Wanda Vesey
Stephen Vogel
Ted Waddell
Sheila Walker
Paulette Washburn
Osborne Washington
Donald Watson

Pam Weinstein
Jerome White
Charles Wilbur
Donald Wright
Angel Yang
•
Ballmer Group
Community Foundation for Southeast Michigan
Enterprise Community Partners
Ford Foundation
Kresge Foundation
Macedonia Baptist Church
Michigan Economic Development Corporation
New Economy Initiative
Quicken Loans Community Investment Fund
Royal Fresh Market
TCF Bank
United Jewish Foundation/
Roberta Patt & Fred Fehheimer

VOLUNTEERS

LG Aristo
Jake Baker
Joshua Banks
Timothy Beckett
BriAnn Bell
Nancy Bitzarakis
Darryl D. Brown
Dachia Butler
Camille C. Chism
Marcia Closson
Aldrea Caballero
Denise Cole
Oliver Cole
James Courtney
Mary Cryderman
Cheryl Davis
Jim Dwight
Wanda Edwards
Michele Emerson
Katarina Flathau
Matilda Floyd
Beverly Frederick
Sofia Fregolle
William Frey
Richard George
Tom Goddeeris
Mrs. Richard Green
Sandra Green
Charlesetta Hanford
Roderick Harling
Harold Harris

Robert Henderson
Adriane Henry
Quincey Hill
Brittany Holmes
Jarrell Holmes
Vickie Holmes
Annie Mae Holt
Sgt. Crystal Johns
Deirdre Johnson
Kevin Johnson
Violester Johnson
Tre Jordan
Renee Kent
Jomo King
Jill Laufer
Erma Leaphart
Val Lever
James Liddell
Mary Madagan
Mary McLeod
Dorothy Menafee
Cheryl Minniefield
Brittany Mitchell
Kate Mobey
Bernard Morgan
Mary Muhammad
Carolyn Murphy
LaSandra Nelson
Diane Patterson
Robert Patterson
William Patterson
Karen Peters
Melissa Poirier
Frank Raben
Ruth Remus
Larissa Richardson
Christine Ridgway
Phil Schloop
Kelly Seamans
Jeremiah Shackelford
Carla White Smith
Ed Smith
Brenda Springs
Jerry Springs
Susan Steigerwalt
Beverly Stella
Dale Thomson
Desirae Tolbert
George Washburn
Marvin Washington
Gwen Weathersby
Clarenda Webb
Jerry Webb
Pam Weinstein
John White
Mrs. John White
Oneita Whitfield
Kenneth Wolfe
Charlotte Wright
Stephanie Young

GRDC Responds to COVID-19 Pandemic



GRDC has maintained its vital role in the community during the COVID-19 pandemic by adopting several safety measures. In-person staff meetings and the many neighborhood organizations that use the GRDC offices to meet have moved to an online format. GRDC offered guidance to those participants who were unfamiliar

with virtual meetings to be sure they could still connect with their community. GRDC's resident-led Crime Prevention Task Force moved their Neighborhood Safety Meeting to an online format to ensure that attendees could receive important crime prevention information and the opportunity to connect with local police officers.

GRDC reached out to our hard-hit small business community to learn how we could best meet their needs during the pandemic. GRDC created and shared a business directory that included altered hours, alternate contact services, and other ways our residents could support their Grandmont Rosedale small business community.

GRDC adjusted the hours, and installed social distancing and sanitation stations at the Grand River WorkPlace, our neighborhood co-working space and small business incubator. Our community is only as strong and healthy as its residents and business owners. GRDC is committed to keep our community as strong and vibrant as possible while also staying as safe as possible. We will stay strong if we are together in our commitment to stay apart!

Grandmont Rosedale Small Businesses Receive Support

GRDC is pleased to announce that we received the Michigan Economic Development Corporation's Match on Main grant to help support our small business community during the COVID-19 pandemic, and were the only organization in Detroit and Wayne County to do so! This grant will support ten small businesses familiar to many Grandmont Rosedale residents as these businesses navigate the challenge of doing business during COVID-19. Recipients of the grant may use the funds to cover payroll, rent, build a virtual platform so that they can do business virtually, or even to install plexiglass to ensure safety. GRDC's effort to connect with as many small businesses in Grandmont Rosedale as possible helped strengthen our bonds as a community. As Economic Engagement Manager Kiki Louya says, "seeking businesses who were interested in applying led us to engage with more business owners for the first time." This grant will enable the Grandmont Rosedale small business community to weather the challenges of doing business during COVID-19. We can accomplish great things, together!



Beautification Grant Shared Among All Five Neighborhoods

GRDC served as fiduciary a \$25K beautification grant from TCF Bank that will be distributed equally among our five neighborhoods. Each of our neighborhoods is unique, and so the residents of each neighborhood have chosen several, unique ways to use the grant to beautify their communities. Grandmont #1 used the funding to clear vacant lots of debris, mow the lots through the growing season, and to install new signs welcoming people to the neighborhood. Minock Park purchased rose bushes, and several raised beds were constructed for a vegetable garden in CornerView Park. North Rosedale Park was able to resume much needed lawn maintenance and landscaping at the Community House that had been neglected due to COVID-19. Grandmont added benches to two bus stops in their neighborhood, and Rosedale Park installed attractive new planters to a dead end street and will beautify the newly installed berm at Warwick and Grand River. Community Engagement Manager Kitty Yarbrough knows that the residents are grateful for the support: “The residents are excited and relieved to know that even during the pandemic, they can work toward keeping their neighborhood beautiful.”



Rosedale Park added new planters and greenery to a dead end street.

GRDC Renovates Five Once Vacant Homes

Vacant homes can seriously threaten the safety, value, and even cohesiveness of communities. This year, GRDC renovated and five previously vacant homes. Two homes in Grandmont #1 and Minock Park, and North Rosedale Park received such renovations as new furnaces, water heaters, roofs, siding, updated plumbing, renovated kitchens and bathrooms, and new paint and carpeting throughout. Previous to GRDC’s renovations, the houses had become of great concern to neighbors, community members who wanted to see these homes renovated and occupied by families that would become a part of their neighborhoods.



191420 Grandville in Grandmont #1

WORKING WITH NEIGHBORING COMMUNITIES

GRDC looks for opportunities to collaborate with neighboring communities, and so GRDC’s recent renovation efforts included a home in a neighborhood bordering Grandmont Rosedale. As GRDC’s renovations are of high quality with particular attention to the

architectural value unique to each home, this, and all the renovated homes sold quickly.

Unfortunately sometimes the deterioration of a house makes renovation impossible. These homes are of particular concern to many neighbors as they often attract dangerous and illegal activity and pose a risk to all members of a community. Demolishing a house is sometimes the only option, but even this project comes with complications. After much advocacy by several residents, GRDC

undertook the demolition of two houses in Grandmont Rosedale. The demolition of these houses included asbestos abatement, the disconnection of power and water lines, the refill of the hole left by the demolished house and sidewalk repair. Grandmont Rosedale strives to be a community where residents and business owners feel safe in and proud of their community, and this goal necessitates the raising of funds not just to renovate existing homes, but also to start anew.

Northwest Detroit Farmers' Market Moves to Curbside Pick-up and Delivery



Administrative Assistant Jocelyn Moss safely loads a pre-ordered grocery box into a Farmers' Market shopper's van

The 15th season of the Northwest Detroit Farmers' Market began differently than any season before. To ensure that Market shoppers have safe access to fresh, local, and healthy food during COVID-19, the 15th season of the Market offers no-contact curbside pick-up and delivery of grocery boxes filled with locally grown produce, breads, fresh, local eggs and more. This adaptation reflects GRDC's commitment

to support our business community, and to facilitate our residents' safe access to healthy foods. The Northwest Detroit Farmers' Market was the only neighborhood market in Detroit offering curbside pick-up and delivery besides Eastern Market.

INTRODUCING IN-PERSON VENDORS

Several weeks into the Market, as our shoppers got the hang of ordering online and choosing to pick-up or have their orders delivered, we reconfigured our outdoor vendor locations and were able to offer safe in-person shopping.

Several favorite Market vendors returned, and even a couple of new ones. This season, shoppers can shop both online and in-person, and many choose to do both. As Market Manager Kiki Louya remarks, "the Market has become an important gathering place for the Grandmont Rosedale community," and as COVID-19 has prevented so many of our opportunities to gather as a community, the Market adjusted its organization so that it could take place, safely.

The Northwest Detroit Farmers' Market takes place on Thursdays from 4 – 8 pm and will run through early October. Stop by the parking lot at the North Rosedale Park Community House, 18445 Scarsdale and pick up some fresh, local produce. This outside Market requires masks and social



Several vendors returned for safe, in-person shopping.

distancing which does not prevent a friendly wave from a neighbor, a brief catching up, or the wonderful feeling that Grandmont Rosedale remains a vibrant, strong community even in the midst of difficulty.

Stay in touch with the Market by liking the Northwest Detroit Farmers' Market page and follow [nwdetroitfarmersmarket](#) on Instagram.

Over 200 Receive Free PPE

GRDC collaborated with District 1 and TCF Bank to supply over 200 Grandmont Rosedale residents with free Personal Protective Equipment (PPE), which included masks, gloves, hand sanitizer, and disinfectant. The PPE was distributed at a Northwest Detroit Farmers' Market, making it a one stop "shopping" experience for many. Due to popularity and need, two more PPE giveaways are scheduled this year in August and September. These giveaways will take place at two other locations in Grandmont Rosedale to ensure as many people as possible have access to free PPE. Stay in touch with GRDC to learn of the dates, times, and locations by liking Grandmont Rosedale Development Corporation on Facebook, or sign up to receive our weekly eblast by emailing your request to info@grandmontrosedale.com.



Residents line up to receive free PPE



Support the Grandmont Rosedale Community!

For more than 30 years, GRDC has focused on Housing, Economic Development, Community Engagement, and Sustainability in the Grandmont Rosedale community. GRDC has maintained this vital role in the community during the COVID-19 crisis by adapting meetings for our staff, our resident-led initiatives, and our many relationships with organizations who are partners in our mission to realize the needs and aspirations of the Grandmont Rosedale community.

GRDC has no lack of active residents who strive to make Grandmont Rosedale a destination neighborhood where everyone will be welcome to play, dine, shop, and live. Be a part of this mission to create a model community in Detroit. Make your contribution today. You can donate online at www.grandmontrosedale.com or call 313.387.4732.

Resident-Led Initiatives Go Online

One main focus of GRDC's resident-led Crime Prevention Task Force (CPTF) is to organize Neighborhood Safety Meetings that feature a guest speaker and the opportunity for residents to speak directly with the Neighborhood Police Officers. Due to COVID-19, the task force chose to prioritize safety while also continuing to provide crime prevention information to residents both within and outside of Grandmont Rosedale. Task force members held an online Neighborhood Safety Meeting that featured guest speaker Wayne County Prosecutor Kym Worthy and updates from the 8th Precinct Neighborhood Police Officers. Over 25 residents participated in the online Neighborhood Safety Meeting, and all agreed it was an effective alternative to meeting in-person.

The resident-led Vacant Property Task Force



(VPTF) also pivoted to meeting online where they discussed the coordination of five beautification projects in each of the five Grandmont Rosedale neighbors that will occur through the fall.

Among the challenges of coping with COVID-19 is discovering how to maintain important community relationships while maintaining distance. This adjustment includes learning tools of technology and navigating the challenges of connectivity and access.

GRDC's residents showed their agility and dedication to their community by moving to online meetings and planning sessions. If you are interested in being a part of either the Crime Prevention Task Force or the Vacant Property Task Force, contact Community Engagement Manager Kitty at kyarbrough@grandmontrosedale.com or 313.387.4732, ext. 103.

GRDC Welcomes a Volunteer and Bids a Couple of Fond Farewells



William Patterson volunteers at the Northwest Detroit Farmers' Market

William Patterson was familiar with Grandmont Rosedale having visited his grandparents, long-time residents, many times over the years. He had heard of GRDC from being around the neighborhood and through an internship he had last summer working in Community Engagement with the City

of Detroit's Public Works Department. Since mid-May William has been a great help to Kiki Louya, our Northwest Detroit Farmers' Market Manager, helping with the newly developed curbside pick-up and delivery version of the Market. William is also working on GRDC Green Initiatives – an effort to learn how Grandmont Rosedale residents incorporate environmentally friendly measures in our homes, and how we can share our ideas with one another. William will be with GRDC into the fall as his university classes are online. William is just a year away from earning a degree in International Studies with a focus on Environmental Sustainability and Development from American University in Washington D.C. William's sincerity in contributing to the non-profit world and issues of sustainability is evident in the fact that he is receiving neither college credit nor pay for his internship at GRDC. He is here to learn, plain and simple.

TAKING COMMUNITY ACTIVISM ON THE ROAD

Amanda Brewington has stepped down as GRDC's Deputy Director. Amanda was a familiar face in Grandmont Rosedale for several years. First as the

owner of Always Brewing Detroit, then as a resident, and finally as a valued staff member at GRDC, Amanda has been a part of our community for more than seven years. Her kind and involved presence in Grandmont Rosedale will be missed, but she is off on a new adventure to Portland, Oregon. Amanda will also pursue a graduate degree in Business with a focus on Entrepreneurship. "It's not easy to leave a community like Grandmont Rosedale," says Amanda, "but I am excited to start this new chapter." Surely she will share what she has learned about community wherever she goes. Amanda will always have a home in Grandmont Rosedale.



Amanda Brewington and her niece Chelsea at GRDC's 30th Anniversary Summer Celebration



Dr. Kevin Ball helps pack grocery boxes at the Northwest Detroit Farmers' Market

ON TO THE CLASSROOM

AmeriCorps VISTA, Dr. Kevin Ball will end his term with GRDC in August. Next, Kevin will be teaching film, the history of video games, and composition courses at Oakland University and College for Creative Studies. Kevin's writing

and organization skills will be missed as will his reliable willingness to coordinate the set-up, running, and take down of the Northwest Detroit Farmers' Market.

Coming Soon: Grandmont Rosedale's Second Green Stormwater Infrastructure Parking Lot



With support from the Detroit Economic Growth Corporation's Motor City Re-Store program, the Detroit Water and Sewerage Department, University of Detroit Mercy, and a Grandmont Rosedale small business owner, GRDC will install a second Green Stormwater Infrastructure (GSI) parking lot along Grand River. This effort will benefit the business whose customers will have access to a new, neighboring parking lot. Customers who shop at many businesses along the

Grand River corridor will also benefit from this additional parking, and the community as a whole will benefit as this GSI lot will add sustainability and beauty to Grand River.

This GSI project helps prevent water contaminated by cars and trucks from entering the sewer system and it reduces the possibility of flooding by reducing the amount of water that enters the sewer system. An additional benefit is that this project includes landscaping that provides habitat for pollinators

needed for healthy food production. A beautiful commercial corridor encourages shopping and dining and adds to the vitality of the community for residents as well as business owners.

Well maintained and designed and maintained green infrastructure also communicates that Grandmont Rosedale is a well-cared for community. This can lead to increased safety, savings in insurance, and avoided costs associated with burglary and vandalism.

GRDC Awarded Support in Recognition for Role in Community

GRDC was awarded grants from The Kresge/Ford Foundation and from Enterprise to support our efforts to create the community our residents and business owners envision. As GRDC Executive Director Sherita Smith says, "It's very encouraging to have funders that value and support the vital work of community development and GRDC's role in preserving and improving the Grandmont Rosedale community." GRDC simply would not be without the support of foundations and individual donors. Together we have and will continue to create a community that residents and business owners envision and serve as a model for other communities who aspire to the same. These grants will enable us

to continue our work to create, with our Grandmont Rosedale neighbors and business owners, the community we all envision. A stable, welcoming, sustainable community that meets our shopping, loving, and living needs now and in the future. GRDC serves over 5600 homes and 500 businesses in the five neighborhoods that comprise Grandmont Rosedale in northwest



Detroit. Our residents and business owners reflect wide diversity which we believe adds depth to our community, a community where all are welcome to visit, live, and stay to help us make a difference – create a community not just for today, for ourselves but one that future generations will be proud to call home.