



Thriving Together- Exploring the 1,000 Neighborhood Gatherings Project

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Our Goal

Activate our community **to build a city of great neighbors and neighborhoods** by encouraging our residents to connect with one another.

"The mortality impact of being socially disconnected is similar to that caused by **smoking up to 15 cigarettes a day...**"

-U.S. Surgeon General Dr. Vivek Murthy

"...knowing as *few as six neighbors* reduces the likelihood of feeling lonely and is linked to lower depression and social anxiety..."

-2020 Nextdoor.com global study



KNOW YOUR NEIGHBOR MAGNET

KNOW *your* NEIGHBOR

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4	<i>your place</i>	5	2
6	7	8	3

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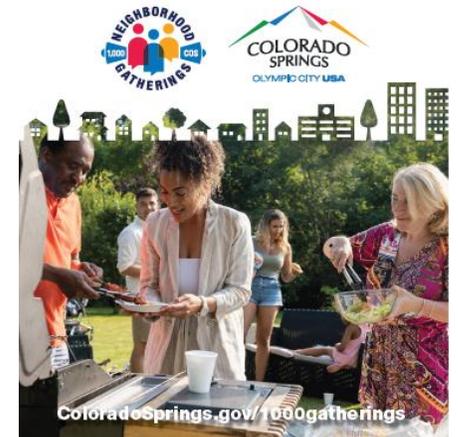
YOU'RE INVITED TO A
Neighborhood Gathering!

Hosted by your neighbors:

WHEN: _____

WHERE: _____

WHAT TO EXPECT: _____



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1,000 COS
GATHERINGS

DON'T TREAD
ON ME

STICK FIGURES

ARMY
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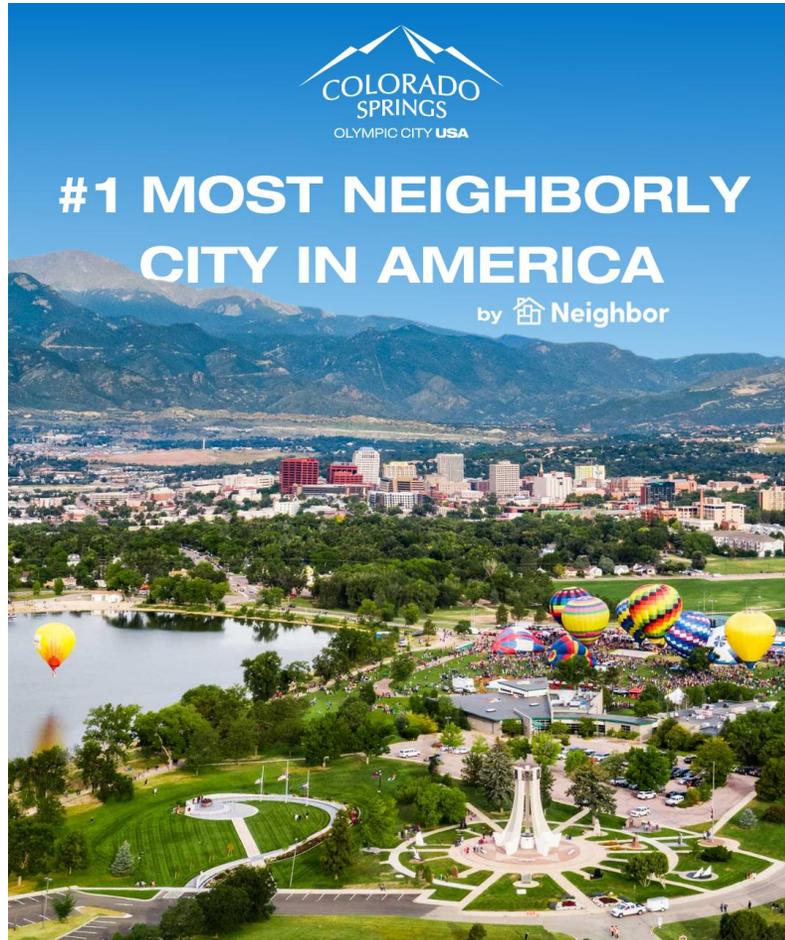


Nearly 900 gatherings.
55,000+ participants.
10,000+ new connections.

96% of hosts felt more connected to their neighborhood.

47% of hosts felt more equipped to point people to mental health resources.

#1 MOST NEIGHBORLY CITY IN AMERICA



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CITY IN AMERICA**
by Neighbor





SPRINGFIELD DAILY CITIZEN

■ OPINION

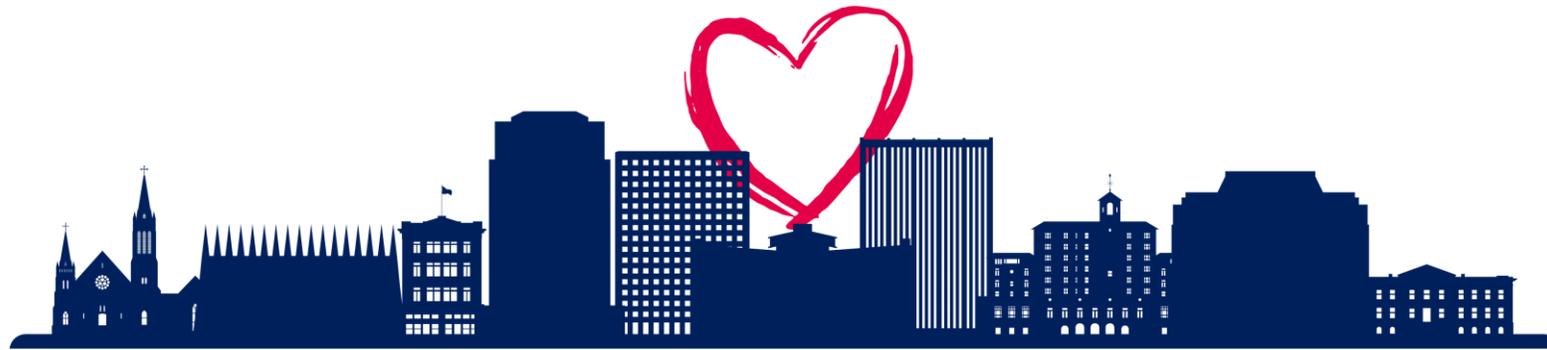
Opinion: Block parties are good for us! Organize yours now

The Queen City Mayor's Block Party Challenge is a joint effort by the City of Springfield, KY3, and University of Missouri Extension to support Missouri Good Neighbor Week (Sept 28-Oct 4).

The challenge in Springfield was inspired by this year's 1,000 block party challenge in Colorado Springs and last year's joint effort to host block parties in five Springfield city parks during Missouri Good Neighbor Week.



We can be **cities** of great neighbors.



PARKS AND RECREATION MONTH JULY 2025



Goal:

- Activate each of 148 parks in month of July
- Connect neighbors near and far, longtime and new
- Promote healthy living and social engagement
- Support large and small local businesses, NGOs

Colorado Springs Park System

Regional Parks: 5

Community Parks: 8

Total Developed Neighborhood Parks: 135

Total Neighborhood Park Acres: 903.9

Specialty Parks & Amenities

 Dog Parks

 Lakes

 Spraygrounds and
Fountains

 Pools

 Tennis and Pickleball
Courts

 Universally Accessible
Playgrounds

 Community Gardens



Questions | Answers