List of Collaborators and Sites for Community Benefit Projects – and Projects in general

The following is by no means a complete or exhaustive list. If you find other collaborators/sites that are not on the list but that are accessible to the community, you are welcome to propose a community benefit (CB) project based there. Check with the Arts Council office if you are not sure whether the site is appropriate. Artists have also done projects in unexpected places – parking lots and parks, in storefront windows and more. Use your imagination!

Arts Council-Sponsored Programs

ArtBeat, SomerStreets, ArtsUnion

Somerville Arts Council
Contact: Rachel Strutt
617 625 6600 x2985
rstrutt@somervillema.gov
The Somerville Arts Council presents numerous free festivals every Spring, Summer, and Fall. ArtBeat is a very large festival in mid-July. In addition, we conduct a series of ArtsUnion and SomerStreets events. Please review our website for info. on these events. A CB project for any of these festivals could include: participatory art activities, installations, performances, and more.

Other Agencies/Organizations/Sites

Arts at the Armory
www.artsatthearmory.org
617-718-2191
Stephanie Scherpf, Executive Director
director@artsatthearmory.org
Large performance space and café – for a fee

ARTSomerville/The Nave Gallery
www.navegallery.org
Susan Berstler, Director
Exhibition space, some public art projects

Brickbottom Gallery
One Fitchburg St.
617-776-3410
gallery@brickbottom.com
Exhibitions, special events

Connexion
149 Broadway
617-776-4172
Reverend Jordan Harris, Pastor
pastor@connexionumc.org
Church and community space in East Somerville

Community Growing Center
22 Vinal Ave
617-666-2969
info@thegrowingcenter.org
Betsy Larkin, Operations Manager
A public garden with amphitheater and horticulture education

East Somerville Main Streets
149 Broadway Somerville, MA 02145
617-623-3869
Lindsay Allen
director@eastsomervillemainstreets.org
Vibrant East Somerville organization that runs festivals like "Carnival!" and programming; very tied to business community.

Elizabeth Peabody House
275-277 Broadway, Somerville
617-623-5510
Matthew Caughey, Executive Director
mcaughey@teph.org
Supports low-income families; after-school program, Spring Fling event, have a stage

Groundworks Somerville
337 Somerville Ave #2B, Somerville, MA 02143
617-628-9988
admin@groundworksomerville
www.groundworksomerville.org
Promotes sustainable community development; visit site for up-to-date info. on programming

Mystic Learning Center
530 Mystic Ave
Tracey Stearns, Director, 617-623-0110
traceymaja@gmail.com
www.mysticlearningcenter.org
Provides after-school programming at the Mystic Public Housing Development. The Books of Hope program is based there, which is is a creative *writing program for teens*

Padres Latinos
www.padreslatinossps.org
padreslatinossps@gmail.com
Spanish- and Portuguese-speaking organization of Latinx parents of children in Somerville schools

Parts & Crafts
561 Windsor St, Somerville
(617) 207-8016
contact@partsandcrafts.org
www.partsandcrafts.org
Provides after-school programming

RESPOND
PO Box 555, Somerville, MA 02143
617- 625-5996
Victoria Helberg, Chief Executive Officer
Rachel Angerhofer, Director of Programs & Services
rachel@respondinc.org
Provides emergency shelter and services for battered women and their children.

Somerville Media Center
frontdesk@somervillemedia.org
617-628-8826
Exhibitions, cablecasting, youth programming

Somerville Homeless Coalition
www.somervillehomelesscoalition.org
info@shcinc.org
617-623-6111

Somerville Museum
www.somervillemuseum.org
info@somervillemuseum.org
(617) 666-9810
Exhibitions, performance, special events

Union Square Main Streets
www.unionsquaremain.org
Jessica Eshleman, Executive Director
jessica@unionsquaremain.org
70 Union Square, Suite 204,
617-955-0080
Vibrant Union Square organization that runs festivals like "What the Fluff?!" and other programming

Visiting Nurse Association of Eastern Massachusetts
Assisted & Senior Living Communities
259 Lowell Street & 405 Alewife Brook Parkway, Somerville
617-776-9800
Orgranization that includes two senior centers that offer a variety of programming and presentations

Washington Street Art Center
Lee Kilpatrick, Director
Gallery@washingtonst.org
Exhibitions, workshops, events

The Welcome Project
www.welcomeproject.org
welcome@welcomeproject.org
617-623-6633
Programs for new immigrants at the Mystic Housing Development

Municipal Agencies/Departments

Council on Aging
617/625-6600, x2300
Ashley Speliotis, Director
aspeliotis@somervillema.gov
Operates two senior centers that offer a variety of programming, as well as an intergenerational program with HeadStart children

Somerville Family Learning Collaborative
Ruth Santos, Director
(617) 625-6600 x 6966
The SFLC's mission is to enhance the capacity of families and schools to support children's learning and wellbeing by collaborating with community partners and promoting welcoming & responsive programs.

Somerville Public Library
The libraries host exhibitions, performances, workshops, readings and children's activities.

Central Branch
Cathy Piantigini, Director
cpiantigini@somervillema.gov
617-623-5000
79 Highland Ave
All libraries have community spaces and offer a wide variety of programming

East Branch
617-623-5000 x2970
115 Broadway

West Branch
617-623-5000 x2975
40 College Ave, *has small second floor stage*

Somerville School System
For a detailed list of contacts, go to: www.somerville.k12.ma.us/contact-us

Out of School Time Program
Rosanna Paribello, Director
rparibello@k12.somerville.ma.us
617-625-6600 x6970,
After-school activities for children

Somerville Public Schools
Volunteer Coordinator, Jen Capuano
jcapuano@k12.somerville.ma.us
617-625-6600; x6023

Brown School (K - 6)
Christopher Ames, Principal
cames@k12.somerville.ma.us
617-625-6600; x6400

East Somerville Community School (K - 8)
Berenice Mace-Diaz, Principal
bmacediaz@k12.somerville.ma.us
617-625-6600; x6425

Micheal E. Capuano Early Education Center (PreK - K)
Felix Caraballo, Principal
617-625-6600; x3600
fcaraballo@k12.somerville.ma.us

Full Circle HS (10-12) & Next Wave JHS (6-9)
Margaret DePasquale Green, Principal
617-625-6600; x6860
mgreen@k12.somerville.ma.us

Healey School (K - 8)
Sarah Wahl, Principal
617-625-6600; x6530
swahl@k12.somerville.ma.us
Haitian Kreyol Bilingual program, books & breakfast club, drama club

Kennedy School (K - 8)
Steven Marshall, Principal, x6600
smarshall@k12.somerville.ma.us
Out-of-school needs: expansion of History Day projects, drama club

Dr. Albert F. Argenziano School @ Lincoln Park (K - 8)
Glenda Soto, Principal
617-625-6600; x6680
gsoto@k12.somerville.ma.us
Special program: Portuguese Bilingual Program, student magazine

West Somerville Neighborhood School (K - 8)
Andre Pelletier, Principal
617-625-6600; x6443
apelletier@k12.somerville.ma.us

Winter Hill Community Innovation School (K - 8)
Courtney Gosselin, Principal
617-625-6600; x6750
cgosselin@k12.somerville.ma.us

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