

Nomination Form

GET ORGANIZED TRAILBLAZER AWARD

Through the G.O. program, our Orange County Neighborhood Services team partners with residents in specific neighborhoods to establish a collaborative approach to self-governance, maintain common areas, and foster a strong sense of community. This award recognizes the up-and-coming voluntary neighborhood association for taking the initiative to get organized and leverage available resources towards self-sufficiency and long-term success. **All award nominations should be from residents or HOA leaders only (nominations from a business, non-profit or elected official are ineligible).**

Nomination Information

Name of the Neighborhood Association being nominated: _____

Location/Major Intersections: _____

Your Name: _____

Your Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

Neighborhood Organization: _____

County Commission District: _____

Areas of Organization (check as many as apply):

_____ Creation of by-laws

_____ Creation of a succession plan

_____ Active implementation of by-laws

_____ Establish a Neighborhood Watch Program

_____ Election of leaders & acting in official roles

_____ Formation of committees beyond the general leadership

_____ Holding regularly scheduled meetings

_____ Meet & Greet or Town Hall with your County Commissioner's office

_____ Neighborhood beautification projects

_____ Neighborhood social gatherings

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Nomination Questions

1. What motivated this neighborhood association to get organized?

2. What steps were taken to formally or informally organize (e.g., meetings, leadership roles, mission statement, bylaws)?

3. Roughly when was this organization formed?

4. Has this organization partnered with other neighborhood associations, agencies, or community leaders? If so, how?

5. How has the group demonstrated progress toward collaboration and self-sufficiency?

6. Are there any recent successes or milestones achieved (e.g., fundraising, safety improvements, fun neighborhood gatherings, beautification projects, implementing programs such as Yard of the Month, cleanups)? How did it positively impact the neighborhood?

7. What creative or effective strategies are used to engage residents and build community, trust, inclusivity, and participation?

8. What makes this neighborhood stand out among other emerging associations?