



Festival of Neighbourhoods
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The Annual Festival of Neighbourhoods Celebration Showcases the Achievements of Kitchener's Great Neighbourhoods and the People Behind Them.

Register your neighbourhood gatherings and be part of the Celebration!

You and your neighbours are invited to enjoy a fun afternoon with neighbourly people like you once you have registered a neighbourhood activity with the FoN. Whether your get-together was simple or elaborate, as long as it was inclusive of all your neighbours and allowed them to interact face to face, it is eligible for prizes and awards.

There will be snacks, a kids' corner, prizes, and the random draws for the much coveted \$20,000 City of Kitchener grants for neighbourhood improvement projects. In the past these grants have gone towards neighbourhood-led projects, such as park rehabilitations, playground improvements, and streetscape enhancements.

You will come out of this event knowing that your efforts to bring neighbours together are well appreciated and with the good feeling that comes from being connected, being part of a tradition, being part of a community and being a leader in building a stronger community.

To ensure that your activity qualifies your neighbourhood for the \$20,000 capital improvement grant draws just give us a call or email. **Register** qualifying neighbourhood activities held between October 1, 2017 and September 30, 2018 with the Festival of Neighbourhoods **before October 5, 2018**. Join us at the Festival Finale at Kitchener City Hall on November 18 from 1:00 to 3:00 pm, when the draws for the \$20,000 neighbourhood grants will be held and the winners announced.

Neighbourhood Gatherings in Doon Are Sprouting with Gusto!



Doon South Clean-up. March 18, '18



Moorlands Cres. Meet & Greet. Spring, '18



Moorland Water Balloon Event July 20, '18



New Doon BBQ June 30, '18

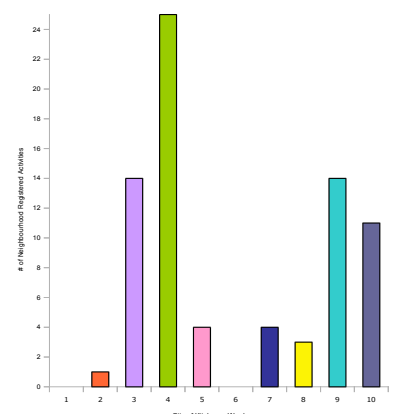
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Billboard

• Congratulations to the Doon South Neighbourhood, winners of the September Early Bird Prize!

• The new **registration form** focuses on how your neighbourhood gathering was inclusive of all your neighbours. Be sure to report all that was done to reduce barriers to participation and to welcome everyone.



Neighbourhood Registrations by Ward as of September 17, 2018
Everyone Wins When Neighbours Come Together!

Neighbour to Neighbour

People share thoughts that reflect the value of gathering with their neighbours

'Our neighbourhood is a pretty new development. Everyone is moving from other parts of city or from outside. One major achievement through this event is a lot of people have made new friends and use public space (park) more often to come and socialize. Kids come out more often because they are more likely to bump into familiar faces. We have also made a social media group which we actively use to ask for recommendations, report suspicious activity, share information, etc.' - New Doon Neighbourhood.