



Neighbor Up Pitch Contest!

What is YOUR idea for “Neighboring Up” in Caledonia and Southern Essex Counties?

Top 3 winners will receive \$500 to fund their early fall idea. Use this form to submit your idea by July 23rd, 2021!



Overview

With so many challenges faced by so many in the aftermath of the pandemic we want to provide a time for some fun while we spotlight and award promising ideas for **Neighboring Up!** We hope these community-generated ideas will offer some relief from the isolation felt over the past year+ while supporting community members this fall!

Contest Rules

1. The applicant must be 16 years or older and live or work in Caledonia or Southern Essex Counties.
2. The project must be completed by November 15, 2021.
3. The applicant must be directly involved in implementing the project (can recruit others too!)
4. The top 5 applicants will be asked to pitch their ideas on August 12, 2021 at 5:30.
5. The top 3 pitch makers will received \$500 for the expenses of each winning project.

Contest Rules, Cont.

6. While some applicants may have ideas that could go beyond the timeline and budget of this contest, all projects selected as finalists will present a clear goal or activity than can be accomplished within the given timeline and budget.



How to participate in the contest:

1. Think about what “Neighboring Up” means to you. What could happen this fall that would add to the neighborhood or community feeling where you live/work. If you had funding for project expenses (\$500), what steps could you take to make it happen?
2. There will be some opportunities to bring your ideas to a Neighbor Night to talk to others and develop your idea. Neighbor Nights will take place:
 - June 16 — St. Johnsbury, Welcome Center @ 6PM
 - June 30 — Danville (Location TBD)
 - July 14 — Lyndonville (Location TBD)
 - July 28 — Barnet (Location TBD)
3. Submit your idea. You can bring the form to an in-person Neighbor Night, send it via mail or e-mail or drop it off in person. Contact information below:
 - St. Johnsbury Community Hub
 - c/o Umbrella
 - 1216 Railroad St.
 - St. Johnsbury, VT 05819.
 - Email Juliet Emas: Juliet@umbrellanek.org
4. The St. Johnsbury Community Hub team will review all ideas and select 5 finalists. These will be announced at Neighbor Night on July 28th in Barnet. A coach will be assigned to each finalist, to help them develop their ideas and presentations.



Neighbor Up Pitch Contest: *Tell us about your idea!*



Application Form

Due Date: July 23, 2021

E:mail: Juliet@umbrellanek.org

Drop off: Umbrella, 1216 Railroad St., St. Johnsbury, VT 05819

For more information visit: <https://www.stjcommunityhub.org/>

Date: _____

Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____

Email: _____

What do you want to do this fall to “Neighbor Up” in Caledonia and Southern Essex Counties? *(Note: The Hub Team will be working on some block party boxes to share this summer... so for your pitch think beyond the block party!)*

Which residents of Caledonia and Southern Essex Counties will it benefit most (youth, elders, families, etc. in St. Johnsbury, Lyndonville, etc.)

How will this idea add to those residents’ quality of life?

Who will help you? (neighbors, family, businesses, etc.)

Please list a timeline for your project and include budgeted expenses.

Timeline/ Dates & Activities	Materials	Cost of Materials