

Is your neighborhood ready for a Renaissance?



What is the Challenge? The 2019 Renaissance Block Challenge encourages groups of neighbors **within a targeted area** to collaborate on exterior improvements to their properties with the goal of building confidence in Jamestown's neighborhoods and spurring others to reinvest.

Forty-five groups received designation as Renaissance Blocks between 2011 and 2018 leading to over \$1.3 million invested in exterior improvements by over 450 participating property owners.

What are the benefits? Participating property owners in a Renaissance Block are eligible for the following assistance, regardless of income:

- **Matching funds** - a dollar-for-dollar match, up to \$2,000, for exterior work. For example, if \$500 is spent, a \$250 match will be made. If \$4,000 is spent, the match is \$2,000.
- **Access to discounts from sponsoring hardware stores and garden centers**
- **Discounts from coordinated purchasing of materials or services**
- **Design assistance**

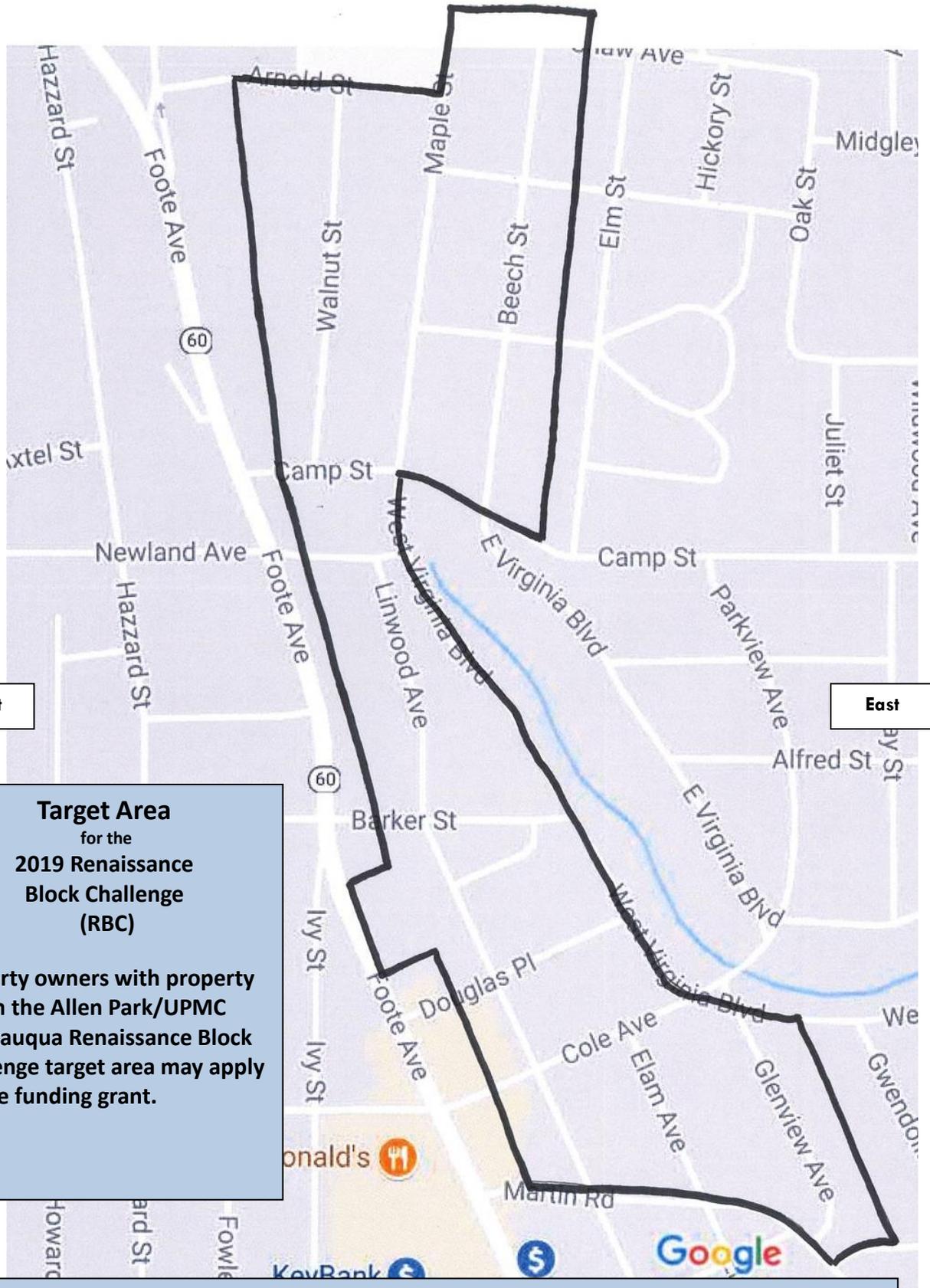
How can I participate? To enter the 2019 Challenge, you need to:

1. **Own property within the Allen Park/UPMC Chautauqua Renaissance Block Challenge target area (see map on the back of this flier).**
2. Recruit a cluster of neighbors to participate with you—at least **FIVE** participating properties are needed to make a cluster (homeowners, landlords and businesses are eligible).
2. Complete a pre-application by **Friday, February 15, 2019**, listing the participants in your cluster. Pre-applications for 2019 will be available in December 1st, 2018 at Jamestown Renaissance Corporation's Web site, www.jamestownrenaissance.org.
3. Pre-applications will be reviewed. Invitations for participating in the final application will be issued in March 2019. The final application will ask each participant to outline the work they would like to pursue in 2019. Cluster finalists will be announced in May 2019. The number of 2019 Renaissance Blocks will depend on available funding and the pool of applicants. Selection criteria will be included with the program's application materials.

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North



West

East

Target Area
for the
2019 Renaissance
Block Challenge
(RBC)

Property owners with property within the Allen Park/UPMC Chautauqua Renaissance Block Challenge target area may apply for the funding grant.

If you have any questions, or would like to discuss the program with JRC staff, contact **Mary Maxwell at 716-489-3493**, or send an e-mail to mary@jamestownrenaissance.org.
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