

Neighborhood Guide to

# Community Groups and Organizations

in Cleveland Park

Compiled by the Cleveland Park Community Association

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# **Cleveland Park Community Association**

#### Who we are

The Cleveland Park Community
Association, or CPCA, is a membershipbased civic organization that aims to
enhance the quality of life in Cleveland
Park, by addressing issues of broadbased concern and relevance in order



to support a diverse, thriving, forward-looking neighborhood, while preserving the distinct character of our community.

Led by a volunteer Board, CPCA engages with District leaders on many different issues affecting Cleveland Park and hosts an array of community-building events and programming. Members' views and feedback shape our programming, priorities, and advocacy.

CPCA is a member of the Federation of Community Associations of the District of Columbia (FCADC).

### How to get involved

- Join us as a member! <a href="https://www.cpcadc.org/join-or-renew/">https://www.cpcadc.org/join-or-renew/</a>
- Volunteer for the CPCA Board we're actively recruiting!
- Attend our community events and meetings

### **Upcoming events**

Join us for the **Cleveland Park Halloween Costume Parade**, on October 31 at 4:00 PM at Macomb Park & Playground.

Keep an eye out for upcoming events on zoning, new developments, and more – as well as candidate forums in 2026.

### **Contact**





Find us on Facebook



# Cleveland Park Main Street

#### Who we are

Cleveland Park Main Street is one of six Main Street programs managed by District Bridges. The mission of District Bridges' is "to enrich neighborhood vitality by bridging community engagement and economic development opportunities so individuals, businesses, and organizations can thrive together." District Bridges' vision is to thrive together in equitable, resilient, connected communities here in D.C. and beyond.

### How to get involved

Sign up for our monthly community newsletter! We are also currently looking for neighbors to join our committees:

- Organizational
- Economic Vitality
- Events & Promotion
- Design & Placemaking

Email Cassandra (below) to learn more!

#### Contact

Cassandra@districtbridges.org







# **Cleveland Park Smart Growth**

#### Who we are

Cleveland Park Smart Growth is a community of neighbors advocating for a more vibrant, walkable, sustainable, and equitable urban neighborhood. We educate, organize, and advocate for more housing, safer streets and sidewalks, vibrant corridors, and ways to say yes to positive change. We also try to strike a balance between preserving our past and growing our future.

Run by a volunteer board, CPSG acts as a voice for its members to city policy-makers. It also serves to educate members and the community on urbanist issues, through its website, listserv, social events, and panel discussions.

### How to get involved

Sign up (it's free!) at <a href="mailto:cpsmartgrowth.com">cpsmartgrowth@gmail.com</a>. Follow us on social media (below).

## **Upcoming events**

We will be educating, organizing, and advocating to support the proposed zoning changes around the Metro and shops on Connecticut Avenue in both Cleveland Park and Woodley Park that will be before the DC Zoning Commission on December 1st.

Over the next year we will also be conducting outreach on how we can incorporate more housing options on our side streets through gentle density, which could involve more ADUs, home conversions into multiple residences through low density rezoning.

### **Contact**





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CLEVELAND PARK SMART GROWTH



# **Cleveland & Woodley Park Village**

#### Who we are

Cleveland & Woodley Park Village is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit member- ship organization that assists senior residents to be able to age in their own homes. Village members experience reduced isolation, increased independence, and enhanced purpose of life.

Every year, our volunteers provide more than 1,500 service visits at members' requests — a ride to the barber shop; help getting winter clothes down from high shelves; setting up a new phone or computer; getting a ride to shop, to doctor appointments, or to vote; or, just a visit in the afternoon to play a game of cards.

Our vision is a supportive neighborhood where older residents thrive and are a vital thread in the fabric of our community.

### How to get involved

Join us as a Member! Social Members have access to a range of virtual and in-person events, programs, and outings. Members Plus benefit from additional support from Village Volunteers.



**Volunteer with the Village!** Village Volunteers make it possible for our senior neighbors to continue to live independently by helping with small tasks. Our volunteers provide:

- Personal visits and conversation
- Tech tutoring for computers, phones, iPads and more
- Help with small household chores, lawn care, and yard tasks
- Rides to doctors, shopping, social and cultural events

#### Contact

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# The Rosedale Conservancy

#### Who we are

Rosedale is a privately funded park open to the public.

The mission of the Rosedale Conservancy is to preserve and protect Rosedale's historically landmarked, eighteenth-century terraced lawns. We provide the stewardship and management for the three acres of urban green space.

Rosedale provides education about the history and historical significance of Rosedale including the remarkable story of the community's fight to purchase the property and save it from development.

### How to get involved

Rosedale welcomes the community. You can get involved by:

- Becoming a member;
- Attending our concerts and other events (regardless of membership);
- Enjoying a moment by yourself or with friends in the chairs that are around the park.

## **Upcoming events**

Rosedale's next event is the **Pumpkin Patch** on October 18. Check Rosedale's website for details and in case of rain.



#### Contact



www.rosedaleconservancy.org



# **Cleveland Park Historical Society**

#### Who we are

The mission of the Cleveland Park Historical Society is to promote and protect the community's architecture, history, human scale, and natural environment, while being sensitive to the future needs of a dynamic city.

We advocate for the preservation of the human scale of our historic neighborhood, educate residents and visitors about our architecture and history, and foster community through events, publications, and projects.

We sponsor the Architectural Review Committee, or ARC, which tries to ensure sympathetic changes to our architectural fabric.

## How to get involved

Check out our newsletter, *Voices*, with interviews and interesting stories about people and places in Cleveland Park.

# **Upcoming events**

And keep an eye out for our wildly popular Gingerbread House decorating coming up in December.

- www.clevelandparkhistoricalsociety.org/
- **(**202) 827-6075











# **Cleveland Park Community Garden**

#### Who we are

Cleveland Park Community Garden was established in 1942 by the National Park Service as part of the nationwide effort to alleviate pressure on the domestic food supply. Member gardeners are assigned to one of approximately 120 plots for the cultivation of vegetables, fruits, and herbs for home consumption or donation. The garden is governed by Garden Association and Park Service guidelines, including a prohibition on all pesticides. Our *Grow-a-Row* program is partnered with the Woodley House Food Pantry.

## How to get involved

We are accepting applications for new gardeners; the waitlist is approximately three years long. We keep a list of non-member volunteers - those on the waitlist who cannot wait to get their hands dirty are welcome to sign up, as are folks not on the waitlist who are merely dirt-curious.

## **Upcoming events**

Gawkers welcome! Our fall cleanup will be in November, and volunteers are welcome to join us for our picnic. Everyone else is invited to peep at the late-season flowers and foliage.







# Friends of the Cleveland Park Library

#### Who we are

The Friends of the Cleveland Park Library are just that, supporters of our own beloved branch library and of libraries across our city. We raise money through quarterly used book sales, and we use that money to support our librarians' programs. We also provide a popular lecture series each winter and a book discussion group led by a college professor. We provide chess classes for children and adults, mah jongg, and concerts in our library.

We also give funds to other library branches in Washington that do not have active friends' groups and to the DC Public Library Foundation for programs like the citywide summer reading program.

### How to get involved

We have fun! (People who love libraries and books are people you want to be around.) A recent activity was a Happy Reading Hour at Nanny's. Sitting quietly reading for an hour was surprisingly restorative. A glass of something cold was nice, too.

- fcplpresident@gmail.com
- dclibraryfriends.org/cleveland-park
- Find us on Facebook





# **Cleveland Park Club**

#### Who we are

In 1922, a group of friends and neighbors formed the Cleveland Park Club to "be a social and recreational center of the best neighborhood in Washington." The Club's Mission is "[t]o promote social interaction, recreation, sports, literature and the arts for mutual improvement." Over the years, the Cleveland Park Club has evolved into a wonderful community treasure where we gather to swim, meet for potluck suppers, enjoy adult and children's programming, and attend summer camp.

## How to get involved

Visit <u>clevelandparkclub.org</u> to find out more about joining the Club! Social and activity membership includes discounted classes, access to all Club social events, and a priority spot on the waitlist for Voting Memberships. Limited Voting Memberships are available to households in and around Cleveland Park, and confer full access to the pool and clubhouse rentals.

The Club offers a variety of classes, including karate, art and music for children and yoga and cooking for adults. We host social gatherings for members and are always looking for new ideas!

And reach out if you are interested in hosting a public event at the Club! We have a unique space and are excited to increase our community involvement, especially in the fall and winter!

### **Upcoming events**

We are kicking off a capital campaign this fall, to raise funds for much-needed building improvements and to improve our offerings in the community. If you have experience, or are interested in being an anchor donor, please reach out!







# **Tregaron Conservancy**

#### Who we are

The Tregaron Conservancy's mission is to preserve, rehab-



ilitate, and maintain the Tregaron Estate's historic landscape for the benefit and enjoyment of the public. Our 13-acre property is open to the public 365 days a year, dawn to dusk, free of charge. The Conservancy hosts a variety of community events, most of which are free, including expert-led tours and nature walks, concerts, guided forest bathing, yoga, and tai chi. Sign up for our e-news to learn more about these opportunities.

As the owner and steward of this historic urban green space, the Conservancy is dedicated to renewing the landscape sustainably, to ensuring a healthy plant and wildlife habitat, and to educating and inspiring our visitors. We will be celebrating our 20th anniversary in 2026 and encourage you to get to know us and visit often!

# How to get involved

Tregaron is for everyone! We encourage you to visit year-round, whether for a quiet moment by the Lily Pond, walking the paths, or having a picnic on one of our lawns. Leashed dogs are welcome.

We welcome your interest in <u>volunteering</u>! We often need support with events, and host open-to-the-community invasive plant removal workdays.

### **Upcoming events**

Tregaron Unplugged, our semiannual outdoor concert series, copresented with Washington Performing Arts, takes place in the fall and spring. Join us for an incredible lineup of artists, including string quartets, vocalists, and other unique musical ensembles.

#### **Contact**



https://tregaron.org/



