

**PhillyBlocks Pledge  
To Promote the General Welfare  
Institute for the Study of Civic Values  
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We, the residents of Philadelphia's neighborhoods--block leaders, neighborhood activists, and participants in the organizations and agencies that support them--pledge to work together to build communities that are attractive, safe, economically viable, and decent places in which to live and raise children.

As we the people of our city and the country, we will work to promote harmony, responsibility, and cooperation among all residents of our blocks and our neighborhoods.

To secure the blessings of liberty, we commit ourselves to uphold the highest possible standards of appearance, safety, and community in the neighborhoods and in the City as a whole.

To this end we pledge the following:

1. To support the Clean Blocks Program, the Anti-Graffiti Network, and other efforts to improve block appearance.
2. To encourage residents to keep sidewalks and curbs clean, avoid littering, and to remove snow and ice from sidewalks during the winter.
3. To insure that neighbors handle the disposal of trash and the maintenance of blocks in compliance with City codes.
4. To work with homeowners, landlords, tenants and the Philadelphia Housing Authority to insure that properties in our neighborhoods are properly maintained.
5. To strengthen neighborhood safety programs like Town Watch.
6. To support neighborhood campaigns to eliminate drug trafficking and the demand for illegal drugs and to protect our residents from drug dealers and users.
7. To work with schools to insure student attendance and promote positive attitudes toward learning.
8. To help families on the block work together to provide quality child care and after-school activities for our children and youth, both through informal arrangements as well as through established programs.
9. To provide ongoing opportunities for young people to contribute to the overall quality of community life.
10. To offer the support of block residents to area groups advocating economic opportunity, affordable housing, and quality education in Philadelphia, so that all residents can live in freedom and dignity as responsible members of our community.

*Join the PhillyBlocks Network. Subscribe to PhillyBlocks online at [www.phillyblocks.org](http://www.phillyblocks.org)*

*Or Send this coupon to the Institute for the Study of Civic Values, 1218 Chestnut St., Rm. 702, Philadelphia, Pa. 19107 Phone: 215-238-1434. Fax:215-238-0530*

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**Yes I support this pledge and want to be added to the phillyblocks email list for updates on block services.**

**Name** \_\_\_\_\_

**Section of City (NW, NE, etc.)** \_\_\_\_\_ **Block** \_\_\_\_\_

**Email Address (please write clearly)** \_\_\_\_\_

**Phone** \_\_\_\_\_ **I m not online now but I want to be** \_\_\_\_\_