



YOUTH-LED NEIGHBORHOOD

DANCE

PARTY

TOOLKIT FOR INCREDIBLE YOUNG PEOPLE

HEY YOUNG ARTIST!

We see you out there perfecting your Tik Tok dance moves! Bring those skills to your neighborhood by planning a socially-distanced Neighborhood Dance Party.

This toolkit, some friends, and the supplies on the next page are all that you need to bring a bomb-diggity dance party to your neighborhood.

Remember: the adults in your world can support you, but

you are in charge.

Let's do this.

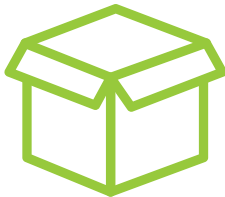
HERE'S WHAT YOU NEED



Plan your event 2-3 weeks in advance. Requires about 4-6 hours of organizing by youth leaders.



Two (2) or more young people who want to unite their neighborhoods in a joyful, interactive event.



A SPEAKER or way to play music (phone, tablet, computer)

A printed version of THIS TOOLKIT or blank paper

A way to market your event (flyers, chalk, social media event page).

ASSEMBLE A TEAM



Gather young people you know via text, email, phone or knock on doors (at a safe distance).

Set specific place and time to meet.

MEETING DATE & TIME

NDP PLANNING CREW

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PLAN THE EVENT

Gather in a socially distanced circle so everybody can hear and see each other. Then get down to business. Set your:



Date



Start Time



Location

Things to consider:

- 2 hours is a great length of time for your NDP!
- What makes the most sense for your neighborhood:
Alleyway or parking lot? - Front yards or driveways?
Courtyard or boulevard?
- Is your gathering place accessible to all bodies and abilities?

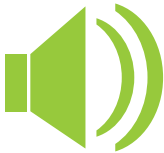
EVENT PLAN



GET READY



Create invites, flyers (there's a printable one in this toolkit), a social media event, or chalk messages in your neighborhood.



Find or borrow a Bluetooth speaker.



Create a starter playlist on a free music app like Spotify. Include different types of music: show tunes, disco, country, kids bop (hello, baby shark), classical, hip-hop.

**HOW WE'LL
SPREAD THE WORD**

**WHO IS FINDING
THE SPEAKER**

**WHO IS MAKING
THE PLAYLIST**

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ADDITIONAL OPTIONS

So, your NDP is going to slap, but here are some additional things that you can consider:

Raise awareness around a cause or social justice issue like:

- BLACK LIVES MATTER
- Climate Change
- VOTE

Raise money or accept donations for a local charity or organization.

Need ideas? Look at a [Google Map](#) of your neighborhood for local orgs. Or check out this resource on MN orgs: <https://smartgivers.org/organizations/>

Theme your NDP. Underwater, 90's, neon, glow-in-the-dark...the possibilities are endless. It's a good idea to include this info on your flyer so people can come prepared!

HERE'S WHAT WE'RE ADDING



NDP DAY IS HERE Y'ALL

Here are some tips to make the day awesome.

Arrive early with your planning team and have music popping as folks arrive.

Welcome folks with a wave (from a safe distance) and introduce yourself to neighbors you don't know.

Name tags can be a helpful visual for learning new names and creating a welcoming vibe.

Share the mic by encouraging others to share their favorite songs and playlists!

Invite people to share dance moves! And ask them to break them down into simple steps to teach the group.

Thank folks for stopping by!



YOU DID IT!

Congratulations! You successfully brought your neighborhood together and shone as the bright youth leader you are!

We'd love to celebrate with you on social media! Share your event with #YouthLedNDP #NeighborhoodDanceParty and #sstStPaul or send them to marketing@SteppingStoneTheatre.org.

MY FAVORITE PART OF MY NDP

A form for writing a response to "MY FAVORITE PART OF MY NDP". It consists of a grid of 8 columns and 3 rows of dashed lines, enclosed in a green L-shaped border on the top-left and bottom-right corners.

SOMETHING I LEARNED ABOUT MYSELF WAS...

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