

Lawrenceville community plan

project

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neighborhood

Lawrenceville

grant amount

\$12,250

grant year

2004 & 2005

community organization

Lawrenceville Corporation, Lawrenceville United, Lawrenceville Stakeholders, Inc.

architect + consultants

Pfaffmann + Associates, Brean Associates, Valentina Vavasis Consulting

project type

community plan



Aerial view of Lawrenceville neighborhood; Industrial abutting residential.

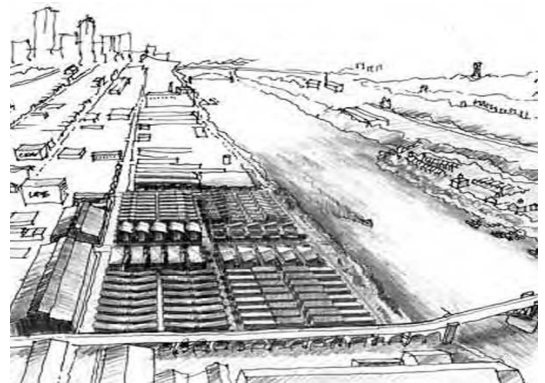
In the spring of 2002, the Lawrenceville Corporation contacted the CDCP with interest in generating a community plan in order to develop a broad-range, long-term strategy to guide neighborhood transformation and growth.

The Corporation spent 2002 to 2004 collaborating with two other community groups, Lawrenceville United and Lawrenceville Stakeholders, to develop a common vision before submitting a grant application to the CDCP. For two years, the three groups met and negotiated; they were assisted by the CDCP and the City of Pittsburgh, who volunteered their facilitation experience to help the community organizations reach a shared vision for the Lawrenceville neighborhood. In 2004 the three separate neighborhood groups formed the Lawrenceville Planning Team. The Team submitted a Design Fund application and was awarded a grant of \$12,250 to create a community plan for Lawrenceville. This funding helped leverage an additional \$20,000 grant from the office of Councilman Bodack.

Lawrenceville Planning Team's grant retained the services of a design team lead by Pfaffmann + Associates, and included Brean Associates and Valentina Vavasis Consulting. Working with the Lawrenceville planning team, the design consultants developed a series of recommendations that addressed residential and business districts, riverfront development, industrial sites and public open space. Currently, Lawrenceville Corporation is developing signage for the primary neighborhood gateways as identified by the Community Plan.



Community meeting participants discuss the neighborhood.



Lawrenceville Community Plan concept sketch.