SPRING/SUMMER 2015 GRANTS

Venture Portland awarded $31,500 to fund 11 Spring/Summer Projects in Portland's neighborhood business districts city wide. This round of grants will leverage an additional $137,563 in private investment – a more than 4-to-1 match.

Benchmark Grant Awards
Benchmark Grants focus on tactical achievements in one of eight strategic areas to build strong, vibrant and financially stable business districts.

Business District	Activity
Belmont	Business district map to connect residents and visitors to dining, shopping and services
Division/Clinton	New website to highlight district businesses and events
Division/Midway	'Festival of Nations' celebration of business district multiculturalism
Foster Area	Business district map to connect residents and visitors to dining, shopping and services
Montavilla/East Tabor	Street fair and neighborhood celebration featuring district businesses, vendors, live entertainment and children's activities
Multnomah Village	Membership campaign to strengthen the district and its businesses
NE Broadway	3-day 'Summer Super Sale' highlights the district as a retail destination with a sidewalk sale, pet fair and farmer's market
North/Northeast	'MLK Dream Run' celebrates the soul of the district with a series of professionally chip-timed walks, runs and races
Pearl District	First Thursday map to highlight the district as a destination for art by connecting visitors with galleries, restaurants and shopping
Williams	Business district map to connect residents and visitors to dining, shopping and services
Woodstock	'Woodstock Gives Back' district-wide day of giving featuring district businesses, a beer garden, live music and raffles

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