



## Philadelphia250 Block Party Bonanza FAQ:

### Signing up:

#### **How do I sign up to be considered for the Block Party Bonanza program?**

In order to be considered for the Block Party Bonanza program, first you need to [apply for a block party permit](#) through the City of Philadelphia's block party permit process. After you receive an approval email from the Streets Department for your block party permit, you will receive a subsequent email that will include a link and form to register your interest in the Block Party Bonanza program. Participating block parties will then be selected and notified individually.

#### **What is the criteria for a block to be considered for the Block Party Bonanza program?**

Any Philadelphia resident can apply for a block party permit. You must be a resident of the block where the event is being held. For more information, visit: [www.PHLvisitorcenter.com/BlockParty](http://www.PHLvisitorcenter.com/BlockParty)

Once approved, blocks that register their interest in Block Party Bonanza will be considered by Philadelphia250, on a first come, first served basis based on location and desired date.

#### **What are the dates that block parties must take place for the Block Party Bonanza?**

Block Parties must take place between May 23 – October 3, 2026 in order to participate in the Block Party Bonanza program.

#### **How will I know if I was selected for the Block Party Bonanza program?**

You will receive an email and/or phone call from the Philadelphia250 team to confirm that you were selected for the Block Party Bonanza program and make arrangements for next steps.

#### **Can I sign up for a Super Block Party?**

The contestants of the 2025 Most Beautiful Block contest will receive Super Block Parties in 2026. These blocks have already been selected, and additional signups are not available.

**Can my organization (church, school, nonprofit, etc.) apply for Block Party Bonanza?**

The Block Party Bonanza program is open to residential block parties only.

**Receiving the materials and kits:**

**When will I receive my block's ShopRite gift card?**

Philadelphia250 will coordinate with the approved block party permit holder/applicant to deliver a ShopRite gift card leading up to your planned block party.

**When will the Life, Liberty and Happiness kits be delivered?**

Philadelphia250 will coordinate with the approved block party permit holder/applicant to deliver the kits directly to the block party permit holder/applicant in the days leading up to the planned block party.

**How does delivery work?**

Philadelphia250 will coordinate with the approved block party permit holder/applicant to deliver the kits in the days leading up to the planned block party.

**Can I make special arrangements to time the delivery or have the kits placed in a specific location?**

Yes, Philadelphia250 will coordinate with the approved block party permit holder/applicant individually to coordinate a convenient delivery.

**Life, Liberty, and Happiness Kits:**

**Is it possible to request specific items for the kits?**

No, the items in the kit are set and cannot be adjusted.

**Will there be any food items in the kits?**

No. Each block will receive a \$250 ShopRite gift card to purchase food and additional supplies for the block party.

**What items can I expect to receive in the kits?**

Each block will receive special “Life, Liberty, and Happiness” kits designed to spark celebration and civic pride with giveaways, patriotic decorations, festive disposable tableware, games, and activities for all ages. Items include sidewalk chalk, custom items from Philadelphia’s local sports teams, hula hoops, jump ropes, crafts, sticker sheets, banners, misting fans, planters, seeds, and much more!

**Can I request or buy the Life, Liberty, and Happiness kits without being approved and selected by Philadelphia250?**

The Life, Liberty, and Happiness kits are designed exclusively for the Block Party Bonanza program and are not for sale or available by request.

**Troubleshooting:****I already submitted my application for a block party and didn’t see the opportunity to sign up for the Block Party Bonanza. How can I access this information?**

If you submitted your permit application after March 25, 2026 you should have received a second email after your approval with a link to register your interest in the Block Party Bonanza. If you have not received this email and believe you should have, please check your spam or junk folders. If you still have not received the email, please contact us at [250@phlvisitorcenter.com](mailto:250@phlvisitorcenter.com) and include a copy of your approved block party permit.

**I lost my confirmation email with information about the Block Party Bonanza. How can I access this information?**

If you submitted your permit application after March 25 you should have received a second email after your approval with a link to register your interest in the Block Party Bonanza. If you have not received this email and believe you should have, please check your spam or junk folders. If you still have not received the email, please contact the Streets Department at (215) 686-5500 or (215) 686-5502 Monday through Friday, between 9 a.m. and 2 p.m.

**Who is responsible for ensuring that the gift card and kits are used to support the approved block party?**

Philadelphia250 will provide block party permit holders with a 'Block Party Pledge' to sign and a kit distribution guide and we ask that they use the guide to inform how they will distribute the items in the kits and utilize the gift card.

### **What happens if it rains or storms on the day of my planned block party?**

When you apply for a block party, the Streets Department application includes a rain date selection within one week of the event. The Philadelphia250 team will support rain dates once the updated permit has been confirmed.

### **Volunteer Opportunities:**

#### **How can I volunteer to help with the Block Party Bonanza?**

Volunteer opportunities for Block Party Bonanza and other Philadelphia250 programs will be available through the Philadelphia Visitor Center's [Phambassador program](#). Follow the link to join the program.

### **General:**

#### **How do I apply for a block party?**

Any Philadelphia resident can apply for a block party permit. You must be a resident of the block where the event is being held. For more information, visit: [www.PHLvisitorcenter.com/BlockParty](http://www.PHLvisitorcenter.com/BlockParty)

#### **What if I'm not having a block party and want to attend a Block Party Bonanza party?**

All block parties that participate in the Block Party Bonanza are private events and for the residents only.

If you aren't sure who the block party permit holder is, you can call the Streets Department at (215) 686-5500 or (215) 686-5502 Monday through Friday, between 9 a.m. and 2 p.m.