

COMMUNITY MADE

IMPACT REPORT

2025 - 2026

\$10K

In Grants Awarded

\$800+

Individual Giving Donations





A WORD FROM THE TEAM

In our inaugural year, Community Made set out with a simple but powerful goal: to love East Oak Lane out loud, and to do it together.

From launching new neighborhood projects to strengthening long-standing community partnerships, this year has been full. Each effort reflects what's possible when neighbors, organizations, and volunteers work together.

None of this work happens alone. We are deeply grateful to our partners, sponsors, and volunteers who showed up with time, resources, ideas, and trust. Your belief in this neighborhood, and in each other, made every project possible.

Thank you for investing in East Oak Lane.

Thank you for showing up.

Thank you for loving our neighborhood.

This is only the beginning.

THE COMMUNITY MADE TEAM
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OUR VISION

We envision a vital, connected East Oak Lane where community traditions are alive and neighbors take an active role in shaping the future. Together, we roll up our sleeves to build a neighborhood that is vibrant, resilient, and a great place to live, work, and play.

This fall, we launched our first Trick-or-Treat Network, designed to encourage neighborhood tradition, participation, and trust. By organizing walk alongs and promoting yard decorating, we hoped to make it easier for families to participate while creating a safer, more festive experience for children.

The network encouraged neighbors to decorate yards, welcome trick-or-treaters, and be visible to one another. These small

acts add up, increasing community pride, neighborhood beauty, and a shared sense of responsibility.

More than candy, the Trick-or-Treat Network was about rebuilding tradition, making participation accessible, and reminding us that vibrant neighborhoods are created when people show up for each other.

This is the beginning of what we hope becomes a cherished East Oak Lane tradition.





PHEEDING PHILLY

invested \$2,000 to stock and restock four Philadelphia community fridges, expanding access to fresh, nourishing food for neighbors experiencing acute or chronic food insecurity. Food offerings included fresh meat, dairy, and other perishable items not typically available at traditional food giveaways.

Each fully stocked fridge can serve an

estimated 30–50 individuals per restock, while operating on principles of dignity, choice, and anonymity, no questions asked and no barriers to access.

Beyond food access, the fridges fostered community pride and shared responsibility. Volunteers and neighbors were encouraged to contribute food directly, help keep the surrounding area clean, and take ownership of a visible neighborhood resource, strengthening both food security and community connection.

ESTABLISHED: FRIENDS OF ELLWOOD

We are proud to announce the establishment of Friends of Ellwood, a new fundraising and support group dedicated to Ellwood students, staff, families, and the broader East Oak Lane community.

Friends of Ellwood creates a more organized and welcoming way for families and neighbors to both give and receive support, while strengthening connections between the school and the community that surrounds it. The group is designed to celebrate Ellwood as the hidden gem it is, highlighting its strengths,

needs, and the people who make it special.

This spring, you'll begin to see one of the first visible outcomes of this work: new planter boxes at Ellwood, made possible through Friends of Ellwood's early fundraising and partnerships. These improvements are just the beginning of a broader effort to build pride, beauty, and shared ownership of our neighborhood school.

Together, we're showing what's possible when a community comes together for its children.





100%

The amount of your donations going directly into supporting the East Oak Lane neighborhood.

>70

All of this work was accomplished with less than 70 volunteer hours. Putting in one hour here and a few hours there impacts so many people when you volunteer with Community Made

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FINANCIAL REPORT

The Report offers a brief summary of how your donations were used to support the people in your community!

Funds in

2025

Source

Amount

Grants

\$10,000

Donations

\$885

Volunteer Hours

64

Programs

2025

Trick-or-Treat Network

Direct donations

\$25

Expenses

\$0

Volunteer hours

6

Estimated people impacted

27

Pheeding Philly

Direct donations

\$10,000

Expenses

\$ 2,360

Volunteer hours

29

Estimated people impacted

320

Programs <i>(continued)</i>		2025	2026 estimate
FOE Creation			
Direct donations		\$0	
Expenses		\$0	
Volunteer hours		40	
Estimated people impacted		500	
FOE Planter Boxes			
Direct donations		\$450	
Expenses			\$450
Volunteer hours			50
Estimated people impacted			900
Ending Account Balance		\$8,525	



WHAT'S NEXT?! JOIN US!

*A whole lot of
work!!*

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Sign up for our newsletter updates



www.CommunityMadePhilly.org

Join a Community Made committee



Hello@CommunityMadePhilly.org

Getting involved doesn't require a big resume or a huge time commitment. If there's a program or idea you'd love to see in East Oak Lane, a small commitment to help bring it to life can make a huge difference. No experience or credentials are needed, just confidence, follow-through, and a willingness to show up. When neighbors step in, even for a little while, meaningful things happen.



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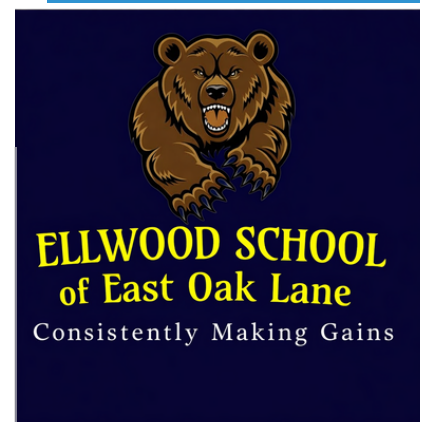
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