



POA Ponds Committee

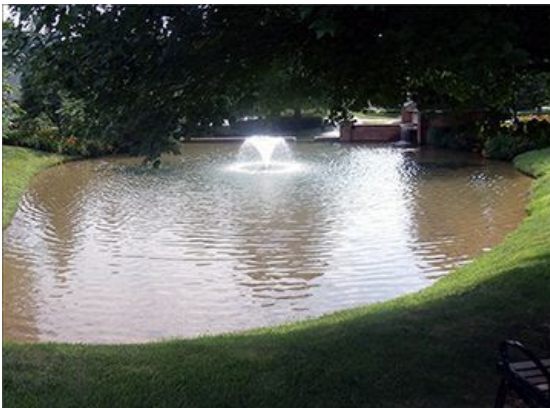
'Pond Views'

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Start a Neighborhood Pond Planting Group!

The Ponds Committee has started a program to involve community residents in creating the health and beautification of nearby common area ponds. By “common area ponds,” we mean POA-owned ponds accessible to residents without walking across private property, developed or undeveloped. There are entire ponds in the community that fit the bill. There are others where just a segment of a pond is on POA common property. Either of those can be a focus of your project.

So, what is a Neighborhood Pond Planting Group (NPPG)? It can be formed by three or more residents living near a POA common area pond or pond bank segment. Those residents interested in improving the health and beauty of a pond in their neighborhood can apply for a specific project to enhance the pond. This involves planting the pond bank with native recommended buffer zone plants.



Before and after pictures of a community pond with a pond buffer added.

The Ponds Committee has set aside funding resources in its 2021 budget to subsidize those efforts. This is the first time any funding has been offered to residents for community pond enhancement. Our program is modeled after the Neighborhood Landscape Groups (NLG) program.

Ponds owned by the POA that have common areas as described above are eligible for funding in the NPPG program. The benefits range from the beautification of your neighborhood to maintaining your pond's health and capacity by adding a robust filtering plant buffer with strong root systems providing erosion control. Preservation of our community ponds is important to everyone, not just those living on a pond.

For detailed information about starting an NPPG program and instructions for applying for funding, [click here](#).

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