



Village of Homewood  
Beautification Committee  
2023 Annual Report

Village Hall Board Room  
Homewood, IL 60430

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## **PURPOSE:**

Homewood Beautification Committee works with Public Works to beautify the Village with horticultural plantings throughout the year in areas of the Village, and to award citizens with Beautification Awards at the end of each summer.

## **MEMBERSHIP:**

Arla Blocker  
Karen Gallagher  
Joe Sherman  
Laurie Klupchak  
Sylvia Alexander  
Geraldine Piepenbrink  
Charles Turman  
Nakina Shanklin  
Sharon Sedgwick

## **SCHEDULE OF MEETINGS:**

HBC meets the first Tuesday of each month at 7:00 p.m. in the Village Hall Board Room.  
*(Unless work sessions take the place of some monthly meetings.)*

## **ACCOMPLISHMENTS:**

### • **Plant Work**

The Committee chose all plant varieties for downtown hanging flower baskets, sidewalk pots, giant pots at various downtown corners, Central Business District in-ground planters, welcome to Homewood planters, and viaduct planters. The Committee planted and maintained all but the hanging baskets and viaduct planters.

### • **Holiday Decorations**

The Committee designed and decorated outdoor pots for winter/holiday decor. In 2023, the Village purchased and installed holiday lights on 120 pedestrian poles in the CBD.

### • **Beautification Awards/Ceremony**

The Committee divided the Village into 10 map areas and each member looked at every residence and business in their area, choosing 2023 Beautification Award winners. There was a formal ceremony in August. On that evening, the committee members presented the residential winners with a sign to display at their homes and thanked them for their beautification efforts.