

CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF SUPERIOR

WASHTENAW COUNTY, MICHIGAN

BEAUTIFICATION COMMITTEE

PUBLIC NOTICE

Seeking Community Members to Serve

The Charter Township of Superior Board of Trustees is seeking residents to serve on the newly established **Beautification Committee**. Eight (8) seats are available, filled through two pathways designed to bring together both specialized expertise and broad community participation.

Why Join?

This is your chance to make a real, visible difference in the community you call home. Whether you bring professional expertise or simply a deep love for this Township and a willingness to do the work, the Beautification Committee needs you. As a member, you'll help tackle blight, organize clean-up events, plan green space improvements, and work alongside neighbors who share your commitment to making Superior Township a cleaner, greener, and more welcoming place.

About the Committee

Established by Resolution 2026-03, adopted by the Board of Trustees on February 17, 2026, the Beautification Committee is charged with promoting, coordinating, and sustaining efforts that enhance community appearance, public spaces, and overall quality of place throughout the Township. The Committee is led by Trustee Sarah Devereaux and reports to the Township Board of Trustees.

What the Committee Does

The Committee focuses on six core areas of work:

 Blight Identification & Remediation Cataloging and driving resolution of blight conditions across the Township
 Litter Reduction Organizing community clean-ups along roadsides, parks, and public areas
 Tree & Landscape Management Identifying hazards, planning tree-planting events, coordinating with utilities
 Plantings & Green Space Native plant installations at gateways, public buildings, and high-visibility areas
 Public Infrastructure Aesthetics Fire hydrant painting, signage repair, entryway improvements
 Community Engagement Building a volunteer network and partnering with local organizations

Two Ways to Serve

The Committee fills its eight seats through two pathways, each playing an equally important role. Both pathways are open for interest now, and all applicants use the same application form.

Community Application Seats At Least 4 Seats	Board-Appointed Seats Up to 4 Seats
Open to any Township resident who cares about our community and is ready to contribute. Selected through an open application and interview process. No special credentials required. Approved by Board of Trustees.	For residents with professional expertise that directly aligns with the Committee's work and goals. Nominated by the Committee Lead or identified through application. Approved by Board of Trustees.

Community Application Seats (At Least 4 Seats)

These seats are open to any Township resident who is passionate about beautification and willing to contribute their time and effort. You don't need special credentials. We're looking for enthusiasm, reliability, and a willingness to roll up your sleeves and get to

work. The Committee is strongest when it reflects the voices and energy of the *entire* community it serves.

Eligibility requirements:

- Current resident of the Charter Township of Superior
- At least 18 years of age
- Not currently holding elected office within the Township
- Willing and able to attend monthly meetings and participate in Committee activities

What we look for in community applicants:

- Genuine passion for improving the Township and evidence of follow-through.
- Connection to the Superior Township community, including: relationships with neighbors, local organizations, or civic groups,
- A collaborative spirit and ability to work constructively with others toward shared goals.
- Relevant skills or experience are valued but not required; all backgrounds are welcome.
- Realistic availability to participate consistently, not just at the outset or in select events and efforts.

Board-Appointed Seats (Up to 4 Seats)

Board-appointed seats are reserved for individuals whose professional background or demonstrated expertise directly supports the Committee’s work. These members bring specialized knowledge that helps the Committee operate more effectively and make better-informed recommendations to the Board.

The Board is seeking expertise in the following areas:

Area of Expertise	Relevant Knowledge
Code Enforcement / Legal	Municipal code, blight ordinances, property maintenance standards, enforcement procedures
Landscaping / Horticulture / Arboriculture	Native Michigan plants, tree health and maintenance, sustainable landscaping, seasonal planting
Urban Planning / Community Development	Land use, public space design, placemaking, infrastructure planning, community revitalization
Nonprofit / Volunteer Management	Volunteer programs, community organizing, donor engagement, grant writing

If you have professional experience in one of these areas and want to put it to work for our community, we encourage you to apply. The Committee Lead may also nominate candidates directly, and any Board or community member is encouraged to submit referrals to the Committee Lead for consideration. Nominees and applicants for appointed seats will be presented to the Board of Trustees for approval.

Time Commitment

All Committee members, regardless of pathway, share the same expectations:

- Attend monthly Committee meetings (regular date and time to be set by the Committee Lead).
- Contribute in a meaningful way to advancing the Committee's goals.
- Participate actively in Committee-led projects, initiatives, and events.
- Communicate proactively with the Committee Lead regarding scheduling conflicts.
- Represent the Committee and the Township in a professional and respectful manner.

Members may also participate in subcommittees, working groups, and community events such as cleanup days and planting projects. All meetings comply with the Michigan Open Meetings Act. The initial term of service is two (2) years. Once a member's term is complete, they will have the option to reapply for their position alongside other community members.

The Selection Process

Community application seats follow a straightforward process: submit your application, and qualified applicants will be invited for a brief, informal interview (approximately 20–30 minutes) with a Selection Panel. The panel will make recommendations to the Board of Trustees for final approval. All applicants will be notified of the outcome, and those not selected will be encouraged to participate as volunteers in Committee-led projects.

Board-appointed seat applicants will have their qualifications reviewed by the Committee Lead and presented to the Board for consideration and vote.

How to Apply

Both community applicants and those seeking an appointed seat are invited to submit a completed application form. One form covers both pathways, you will simply indicate which type of seat you are applying for.

Applications may be submitted:

By Email: Trustee Sarah Devereaux
sdevereaux@superior-twp.org

By Mail: Trustee Sarah Devereaux
c/o Charter Township of Superior
3040 N Prospect Rd
Superior Township, MI 48198

In Person: Superior Township Hall
3040 N Prospect Rd
Superior Township, MI 48198
Business Hours: 8am - 4pm

Application Deadline

Applications will be accepted on an ongoing, rolling basis until all committee seats are filled.

Round 1 will close on April 16, 2026 and Round 2 will immediately open if all committee seats have not been filled. Each application round will remain open for at least 3 weeks.

Questions?

For more information about the Beautification Committee or the application process, please contact:

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