

Do you want to make a difference in the future of Hartford?

Residents of Hartford and the surrounding area are invited to help kick off the new Hartford Hometown Pride program, at a community meeting **on January 9 at 6:30 pm at Hartford City Hall (150 W Elm)**. All are welcome!

Hartford Hometown Pride, led by the Hartford Community Betterment Committee, will bring community members together to do projects that improve our hometown and boost community pride.

Join us on January 9 to talk about your ideas for the future of Hartford, and what you'd like to do to make a difference in our community. No volunteer commitment is required to attend, just come and share your opinions!

What exactly will the Hometown Pride program do?

It's up to you! We are having this meeting to find out what YOU want to happen in Hartford. Past Hometown Pride groups in other communities have done things like:

- Build new parks or trails
- Rehabilitate old homes and buildings
- Beautify streets with art, landscaping and signs
- Attract new businesses to town

Who else is involved in this program?

10 counties across Iowa participate in Hometown Pride, a program of Keep Iowa Beautiful. The Warren County chapter is a partnership of the Warren County Economic Development Corporation, Warren County, and the communities of Hartford, Indianola, Carlisle, Cumming, Milo, Norwalk, and New Virginia.

3 Ways to Get Involved!

1. Attend on January 9 and share your ideas.
2. Add your name to the volunteer roster to help as needed throughout the year. Needs may include landscaping, fundraising, publicity, painting, event planning and more.
3. Join the Hartford Community Betterment committee. We meet once a month to plan community projects and we welcome new members!

To learn more, contact Caroline McNamar, chair of the Hartford Community Betterment committee, at 515-989-0149, or Lorin Ditzler, our new Hometown Pride Community Coach at 515-442-0723 or Lorin@warrencountyhometown.com.