

2022 ANNUAL REPORT



WICKER PARK BUCKTOWN
Special Service Area #33

OUR TEAM



WPB SSA #33

COMMISSIONERS

Rebecca Dohe, Chair (WTTG Investments, LLC)

Marcy Huttas, Vice Chair (Resident)

Wayne Janik, Treasurer (Janik's Cafe)

David Ginople, Secretary (store B vintage)

Joe Hall, (Quick Release Bike Shop)

WPB CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Tim Gillengerten, President (Transit Tees)

Kari Schmidt, Vice President (HealthSource)

Laura Yopez, Secretary (Wicker Park Inn)

Jon Simon, Treasurer (Horizon Payments)

WPB CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

STAFF

Pamela Maass, Executive Director

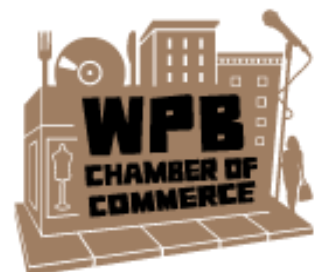
Alice Howe, Program Manager

Luke Scaletta, Community Engagement Coordinator

Maricruz Sauer, Membership & Events Coordinator

Jordan Miller, Arts & Social Media Administrator

Mark Friedman, Accountant



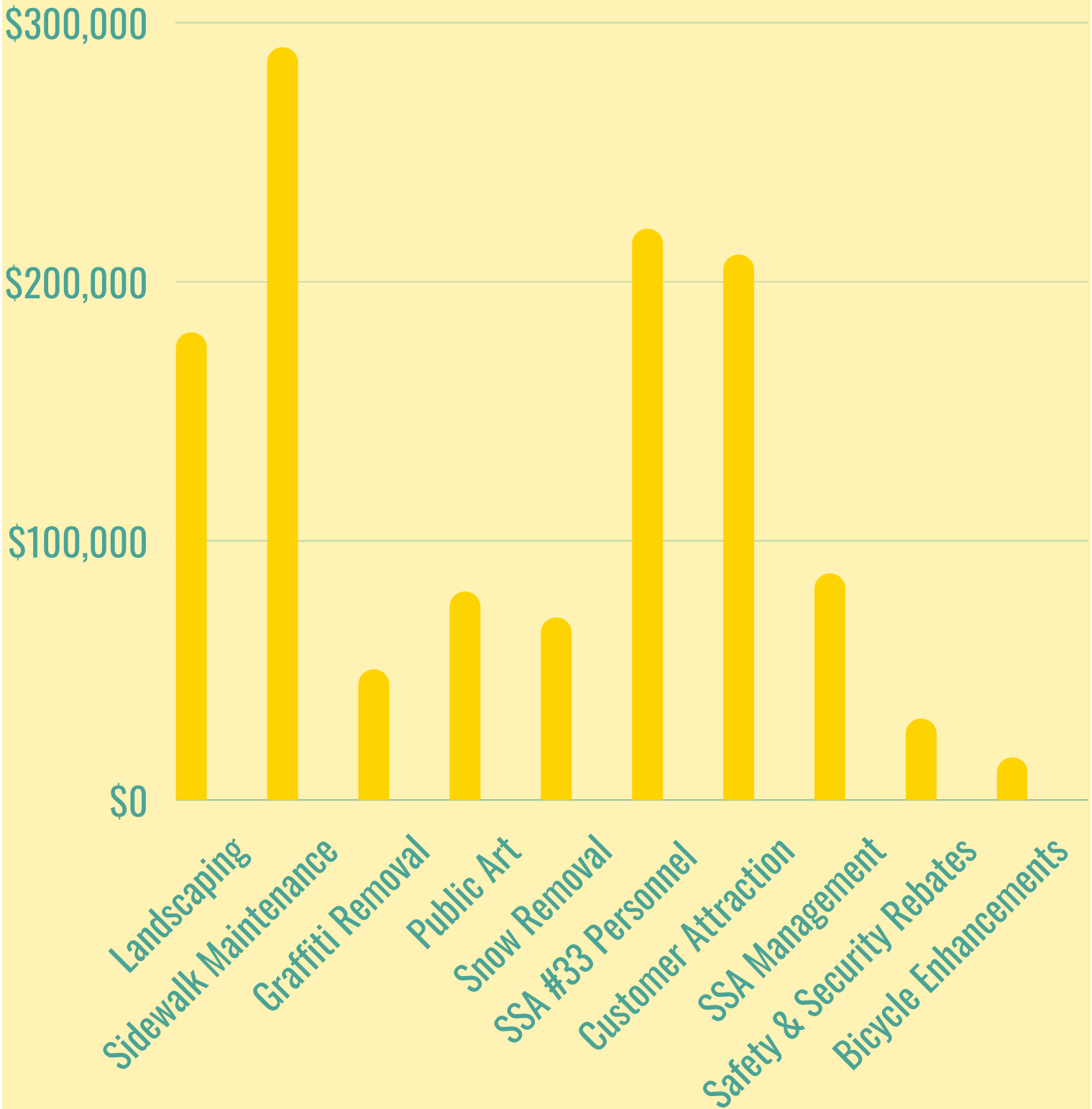
ABOUT US



Our Mission:
'To sustain and promote the prosperity and unique qualities of life of the Wicker Park Bucktown neighborhood and commercial district, whilst preserving its diverse character for the benefit of its residents, visitors, and businesses through the wise and discerning investment of resources to enhance our public ways'

The Wicker Park Bucktown Special Service Area (WPB SSA #33) is the business improvement district for Wicker Park & Bucktown. It is administered by the Wicker Park Bucktown Chamber of Commerce and guided by a volunteer commission of local business owners, property owners, and residents. As one of Chicago's 50+ taxpayer-funded SSAs, WPB provides supplemental services and programs to promote prosperity and maintain clean, attractive, and competitive commercial districts and unique qualities of life in the Wicker Park Bucktown neighborhood. The Chicago City Council passed the Establishment Ordinance for the Wicker Park Bucktown SSA #33 on November 23, 2005.

2022 BUDGET OVERVIEW

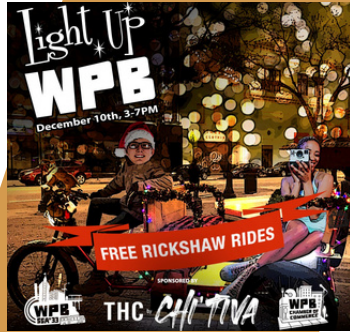


COMMUNITY GRANTS

\$2.5K Bucktown Garden Walk



\$2K Light Up WPB



\$5K Wicker Park Fest Kids Area



Photo Credit: Friends of Burr

In 2022, we distributed \$34K in local grants.

Pin-holding organizations may apply for up to \$5,000 to support public programs, events, initiatives, or services that demonstrate a measurable benefit to the community and foster community growth. Eligible initiatives include special events, festivals, ongoing programming, neighborhood services, or local marketing campaigns.

APPLY NOW AT WWW.WICKERPARKBUCKTOWN.ORG

ART AROUND WPB

"ASHERAH BOUQUET" - CZR PRZ

"BEING ABLE TO PRODUCE THE "ASHERAH BOUQUET" ON THE SIDE OF ESTELLE'S, ONE OF THE MOST PINNACLE NIGHTLIFE SPOTS IN THE WPB AND CHICAGO IN GENERAL, WAS A BUCKET LIST PROJECT, SOMETHING THAT MANY CHICAGO ARTISTS HAVE DREAMED OF. I APPRECIATE THE SPECIAL SERVICES AREA #33/WICKER PARK BUCKTOWN CHAMBER OF COMMERCE FOR GIVING ME THE OPPORTUNITY TO BE ABLE TO CREATE SUCH AN IMPACTFUL PIECE. IT TRULY MAKES ME FEEL LIKE I'M LEAVING MY MARK ON MY CITY" - ARTIST CAESAR PEREZ



WE SPONSORED EIGHT SCULPTURES WITH CHICAGO SCULPTURE EXHIBIT IN 2022. CHICAGO SCULPTURE EXHIBIT (CSE) IS A NON-PROFIT ORGANIZATION WHOSE MISSION IS TO BRING ART TO THE NEIGHBORHOODS OF CHICAGO.

EVERY THURSDAY, A WPB ARTS GUIDE IS RELEASED TO HIGHLIGHT GALLERY OPENINGS, LIVE MUSIC PERFORMANCES, AND MORE TO EACH WEEKEND.

[VISIT WPBARTS.ORG](https://www.wpbarts.org)

FOR OUR WEEKLY GUIDE & ARTIST RESOURCES!

CLEAN & GREEN IN WPB

CHRISTY WEBBER LANDSCAPING MAINTAINS AND PLANTS OUR MILWAUKEE AVE. PLANTERS WITH SEASONAL INSTALLATIONS. WHEN POSSIBLE, WE DONATE BULBS AND PERENNIALS TO THE WICKER PARK ADVISORY COUNCIL FOR THE WICKER PARK GARDENS.



IN 2022, WE RESTORED ALL PLANTER FENCING ALONG DIVISION ST., WITH THE HELP OF AMERICANA IRON WORKS. WE WILL BE TARGETING NORTH AVE. IN THE FUTURE!

2022 CLEAN-UP STATS

TRASH CANS EMPTIED: **21,763**

SIGNS REMOVED: **3,476**

GRAFFITI TAGS CLEANED: **7,562**

