



# Project Beacon selected as Lowe's Hometowns Project to further improve The Beacon Access Center

Lowe's Hometowns projects demonstrate the power of improving community spaces to help address critical needs.

**MONTGOMERY COUNTY, TEXAS (July 28, 2025)** — The Woodlands area-based Project Beacon has proudly been selected as a Lowe's Hometowns project, one of 100 community-nominated, large-scale renovations that will revitalize nonprofit and community spaces serving as hubs and heartbeats for hometowns. Now in its fourth year, Lowe's Hometowns is the company's five-year, \$100 million commitment to repairing and restoring millions of square feet of community space.

The Lowe's Hometowns grant will benefit the newly opened Beacon Access Center with phase 2 improvements. The project will enhance safety, accessibility, and sensory responsiveness by installing durable flooring, improved lighting options and controls, water filtration, electromechanical window shades, and essential signage. Additionally, creating a sensory calming space with tactile panels and a water feature will provide a much-needed sensory retreat, while upgraded outdoor spaces will foster socialization and recreation. These improvements align with the Beacon Access Center's mission to provide a cutting-edge, neuro-inclusive space that empowers individuals with Autism/Intellectual Disability/Developmental Disabilities (A/I/DD) to build skills, increase independence, and fully engage in their community. By removing environmental barriers and integrating essential support features, Phase 2 will transform the Center into a model of accessibility and inclusion, ensuring that every participant has a space where they feel safe, supported, and inspired to grow.

With help from Lowe's red vest associates across the country, Lowe's Hometowns projects will help expand kitchen and serving capacity for food pantries, restore dignity to well-used transitional housing facilities, revitalize parks and gardens for neighbors to safely gather, and build restorative spaces for first responders to rest between calls.

Earlier this year, Lowe's announced a promise to deliver 10 million square feet of impact to capture the immeasurable difference made when Lowe's shows up to help, including initiatives like Lowe's Hometowns. Visit <u>Lowes.com/hometowns</u> and follow #HowLowesHelps on social media for more details on 2025 projects.

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### **About Project Beacon**

Project Beacon is a 501(c)3 organization formed in 2021 and based in Montgomery County, Texas. It is committed to delivering quality, sustainable solutions for the educational, vocational, social, and residential for the lifelong challenges facing the neurodiverse community. Project Beacon is a place where neurodiverse adults can be vital and visible members of the community. The Beacon Access Center is located in Oak Ridge North, Texas, and serves clients from Montgomery and North Harris County. Learn more about Project Beacon at projectbeacontx.org.

#### **ABOUT LOWE'S HOMETOWNS**

- Lowe's Hometowns is Lowe's largest-ever community impact program. The company committed over \$100 million over a period of five years to restore and rebuild millions of square feet of spaces that are critical for communities.
- Now in its fourth year, the impact program revitalizes community spaces to help solve some of the
  most critical problems our communities face. Renovations include helping food pantries, veteran
  support programs, first responder facilities, affordable housing services and community gardens.
- Lowe's is here to help. Powered by Lowe's helpful associates, this year, the company will complete nearly 1,800 projects to improve their communities, including 100 large-scale renovations announced on June 24 and 1,700 selected by Lowe's associates and completed later this fall.
- The 100 projects, selected from consumer and associate nominations, address critical needs specific
  to each community and are focused on helping organizations build or renovate critical infrastructure
  that helps them deliver their programs or benefit the community.
- Since launching in 2022, 3 million people are anticipated to benefit from the first three years of Lowe's Hometowns projects within one year of project completion.