

Resident Feedback from Grantees of the Building Blocks Fund

16th United — District 16 Candidates Forum

Joel O., community participant

"I left the event with at least one candidate I plan to vote for and an awareness of other ideas that concern my neighbors as well."

District 16 resident

"I made some voting decisions on Saturday night. I also learned about other candidates and their platforms. It was an informative event."

Erin Evans, Metro Councilmember

"I think we have lost some needed opportunities for civic engagement, and this forum was a great example of why community organized events are so important."

Kathryn Anderson, League of Women Voters

"I think that these community meetings are the best way to motivate people to vote and get involved."

Debby Gould, President, League of Women Voters of Tennessee

"I don't often get to hear the independent candidates, and they really do all have something worth hearing. Let's do it again!"

Organized Neighbors of Edgehill — Youth Community Maintenance Team

Mona Murray, senior community gardener

"I appreciate the youth helping me maintain my garden, I am on a walking cane and value the help weeding. They take pride in being a part of the maintenance crew. I love to see the looks on their faces when they get paid for cleaning the park and gardens, they are learning valuable lessons.

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"We also learned that people value opportunities to simply talk, listen, share experiences, and learn from one another."