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A PERIODIC UPDATE ON THE QUEEN ANNE AVENUE STREETSCAPE
BETWEEN GALER AND MCGRAW FROM THE FOLKS AT PPQA

GIVING TUESDAY

Tuesday, November 28th is just around the corner. We're excited to be participating in this awesome event. It's a world-wide day of giving with hyper-local roots. So get ready! This is your opportunity to support and give back generously to all that makes our Queen Anne neighborhood special.



Pausing for a Grant Wood's moment, Brad and Becky Parker were two of the volunteers who planted this newly created garden bed at McGraw in 2009.

As to why the Parkers remain dedicated volunteers and donors fourteen years later, Brad explains, "Supporting PPQA is a true joy. This unique organization ensures that our Queen Anne neighborhood has the vital green spaces that improve the community on so many different levels."

Brad and Becky invite you to join them in giving generously to keep the gardens growing in 2024.



Thanks to Donors, This Was a Project PPQA Undertook This Year

For years, plants have failed to thrive under the tree in the garden bed on the northwest corner of Queen Anne Ave & W Galer. Kathy King, Board member and garden designer, created plans intended to alleviate competition between tree and plant roots. In May,



volunteers constructed a raised bed with river rock and new soil. In the large planter and spaced throughout the bed, they added new plants.



So far, the plants are getting used to their new home and appear to be doing reasonably well, having made it through the warm, dry summer and into the fall.

The redesign of this garden bed only happened because of the generosity of donors who made sure PPQA had the available funds to purchase plants and materials as well as to keep the bed watered and maintained.

DON MILES--TIRELESS ADVOCATE FOR PUBLIC SPACES

Queen Anne resident and principal at the architectural firm, Zimmer Gunsul Frasca Partnership, Don worked with our community in 2005/06 to develop the *Queen Anne Avenue Streetscape Master Plan*. This plan provides guidelines for improvements to and development of the public

realm on the six blocks of Queen Anne Avenue that make up our hilltop's retail core.

Don believed in the power of people to create beautiful public spaces that would be welcoming places for everyone to gather and enjoy--places that would give rise to vibrant communities.

Picture Perfect Queen Anne brought Don's family and friends together in September to honor his memory and pay tribute to all he meant to us. We unveiled a paver we had inscribed to read, "Don Miles/Tireless Advocate/For Public Spaces/& Welcoming Places." You will find this paver in the large Galer garden bed.

The gardens are the most visible and endearing features of the Streetscape Plan. That they continue to thrive is the direct result of the generosity and devotion of neighbors who believe in the importance of beautiful and green public spaces.



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May Your Garden Grow!

Denny, Ellen, Judy, Laura, Margaret

Plant. Weed. Water. Repeat.



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