

Humanities Tennessee announces:
*the **Neighborhood Story Project***

Humanities Tennessee invites organizations to conduct a NSP and offers free facilitator training,
February 7-8, 2025, Nashville

What is the Neighborhood Story Project (NSP)?

...providing a voice in the future of the place we call home.

Places across Tennessee are seeing rapid changes from many factors, such as growth or decline in population or the economy. **What's happening where you live? What do your neighbors want to talk about?**

The NSP engages a team of 8-12 residents in a research project about their community. Over the course of 12 weeks, this team chooses a research topic, collects data to explore their topic, and concludes by sharing their findings in a public program. The research, goals and outcomes of each NSP are unique. **Do you want to facilitate a Neighborhood Story Project in your community?**



About the Project & Training



The goals of the NSP are to increase residents' knowledge of their neighborhoods, to strengthen their connections to place and each other, and to enable participants to make meaningful contributions to local opportunities and challenges. The flexible platform is adaptable for rural or urban areas--it is a resource for any group that seeks active, informed neighbors at the table to consider and/or make change in its community. For examples of recent projects, click [here](#).

The two-day training will cover all aspects of the project, including recruitment, leading weekly sessions, supporting the interests and talents of the group, facilitation methods, materials needed, planning culminating projects and budgeting. Dr. Amie Thurber, who designed and piloted the NSP, will lead the training. Participants will receive a detailed facilitation guide and flexible curriculum.

How to Join the Neighborhood Story Project

Is your organization interested in doing a Neighborhood Story Project? Let us know! Contact us to set up a meeting to introduce the project:

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The NSP Partnership

Humanities Tennessee provides:

- Two-day facilitator training in Nashville, with materials.
- Lodging and group meals.
- Up to \$5000 for your organizations to conduct a Neighborhood Story Project.

Participating organizations will:

- Submit a letter of interest by **Dec 6, 2024**.
- Send up to two co-facilitators to the Nashville training **Feb 7-8, 2025**
- Complete a Neighborhood Story Project by **June 30, 2025**.