

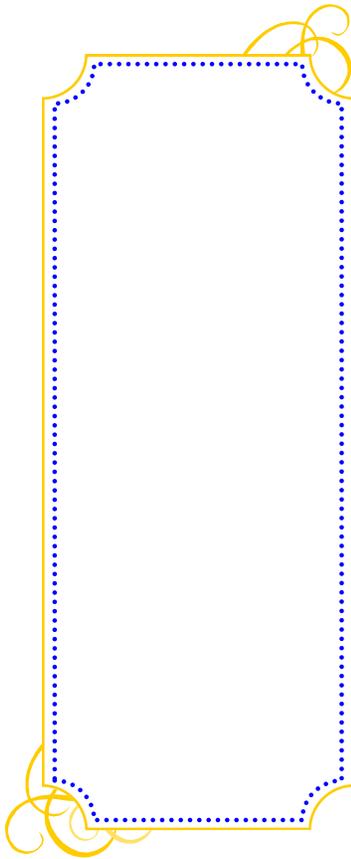


Homeowners in the City of Benton Harbor who live **adjacent** to **vacant land** owned by the Berrien County Land Bank Authority have the **opportunity** to **purchase** property.

 **Expand Your Yard**

 **Plant a Garden**

 **Leave A Legacy**



Berrien County Land Bank
701 Main Street
St. Joseph, MI 49085



Side Lot

— *Application* —
— *of Interest* —



*Berrien County
Land Bank*






Side Lot Statement of Interest

This form is a statement of interest only. By receiving it, the County does not commit to transfer property.

Name _____

Address _____

City/State/Zip _____

Phone _____

Address or location of adjacent parcel of interest _____

E-Mail (optional) _____

Do you own, rent, or occupy the above address?

- Own
- Rent
- Occupy

What is your property tax status?

- Current
- Behind



Reason for your side lot interest:

- Expansion of Yard
- Community Garden
- Other _____

Signature _____

Date _____

Please return this form to:
Berrien County Land Bank
 701 Main Street
 St. Joseph, MI 49085
 Attn: Katie Montoya
 Phone: (269) 983-7111 #8257
 Fax: (269) 982-8611
 cmontoya@berriencounty.org



Qualified Side Lot Properties

- ✓ The property is **vacant land** owned by the Berrien County Land Bank Authority.
- ✓ The property requested is a vacant lot located in the **City of Benton Harbor**.
- ✓ The vacant lot must be physically **next door**, or **adjacent** to the applicant's property.
- ✓ The property requested is vacant real property with **no structure** on the site.
- ✓ The applicant is the **owner** and **living** in the property next to the requested property.
- ✓ The property shall have at least 75% **common boundary** line at the side or back.

Qualified Transferees

 Transferees are limited to owner-occupied **adjacent** property owners.



 The transferee must **not** own any real property (including both the contiguous lot and all other property in Berrien County) that is subject to any citation of **violation** of the state and/or local codes and ordinances.

 The transferee must **not** own any real property (including the contiguous lot and all other property in Berrien County) that is **tax delinquent**.

 The transferee must **not** have been the **prior owner** of any real property in Berrien County that was transferred to the Treasurer or to a local government as a result of **tax foreclosure** proceedings.

 If multiple **adjacent property owners** desire to acquire the same side lot, the lot shall be **divided** and **transferred** among the interested contiguous property owners.

