



2009 Membership Application

Membership Fee: \$150.00
Additional membership: \$75.00 (Graduated Membership)*

Business Association of Forest Park Southeast (formerly the Wedge Group) is a membership organization created to advance the mutual interests of commercial establishments within the Forest Park Southeast, Forest Park South, Botanical Heights, Tiffany and Kings Oak neighborhoods.

Business Name: _____

Name of Owner / Officer: _____ *Number:* _____

Email Address: _____

Name of Contact Person: _____ *Number:* _____

Email Address: _____

Business Address: _____

Business Phone: _____ *FAX:* _____ *E-Mail* _____

Nature of Business: _____ *Previous Member* _____ (yes) _____ (no)

(Optional) Please describe your vision for the area along with any concerns affecting your business.

Please complete the application and mail with your check to:

Business Association of Forest Park Southeast
C/O John Boldt, Treasurer
PO Box 15077
St. Louis, MO 63110

Officers:

David Renard, President; John Boldt, Treasurer; Sue Lauritsen, Secretary

Board Members:

David Renard, John Boldt, Sue Lauritsen, Ed Shalabi, Marty Daley, Chip Schloss, Don Bellon, Kelly Kenter, Brooks Goedecker, Carlos Carter

*** Graduated membership:** if you have more than one business license, and would like to take advantage of membership benefits for each additional business, then your fee will be \$75.00 for each additional business.

Business Association of Forest Park Southeast Mission Statement

Business Association of Forest Park Southeast (formerly the Wedge Group) is a membership organization created to advance the mutual interests of commercial and retail establishments within the Forest Park Southeast, Forest Park South, Botanical Heights, Tiffany and Kings Oak Neighborhoods.

More specifically, Business Association of FPSE:

- Helps businesses understand how to meet city requirements and navigate within City, State, and Federal organizations;
- Supports charitable causes and institutions;
- Encourages patronage of local businesses (within and outside the service boundaries);
- Creates a community environment conducive to business development (for example, implementing strategies to reduce crime); and
- Provides a united voice for business development by serving on various community boards and committees.

The Business Association of FPSE Board meets monthly – every 2nd Wednesday from 8:30 to 9:30 a.m. Please call John Boldt (Treasurer) 314-531-2000 or the Forest Park Southeast Development Corporation office at 314-533-6704 to verify meeting scheduling and locations.

Benefits of Membership

Networking and information sharing: Business Association of FPSE holds two general membership meetings annually.

- Featured speaker or topic;
- Regular articles in the Community Journal (community newspaper);
- 4 Social gathering; and
- Monthly Board Meetings – open to members and guests (second Wednesday of the month).

Civic Responsibility

- Annual contribution to charitable groups or institutions;
- Facilitator of the “Lights on Manchester” program.

United Voice for Business Development

- Direct line of communication with 17th Ward Alderman;
- Direct line of communication with 3rd and 9th District Police Division, St. Louis Police Department;
- A member of the Business Association of FPSE services on various Board and Committees within our service area;
- Participated in the grant application of 5 million dollars for public improvements: Manchester Avenue, Oakland Avenue, and Kingshighway;
- Participated in the grant application for the community fund from MODot – New I-64 Business Development Initiative; and
- Annual sponsor of the Grove Fest.

Future Activities

- *Annual Softball Tournament;*
- *Business Directory; and*
- *And more, don't miss your opportunity to get involved!*