

About The Black Rock Community Council

The Black Rock Community Council (BRCC), founded in 1976, is the oldest and largest community membership organization in the area. The Council's mission is to promote projects that will enhance the quality of life of Black Rock's residents and businesses, including recreational, educational, and business development initiatives. Some of the Council's activities include:



- The Black Rock Day Road Race, Parade & Picnic
- The Black Rock Newsletter
- Beautification Efforts
- Lighthouse Preservation
- Little League Sponsorship
- Christmas Tree Lighting
- Easter Egg Hunt
- Community Forums
- Public Safety/Block Watches
- Black Rock Business District Initiatives
- Scholarships
- Community Planning

The BRCC has an established track record of creating and managing programs and projects both small and large in scope over the last thirty years.

- In 1989, the BRCC worked with the CTDOT in designing and implementing the Gateway to Bridgeport Project, which resulted in the complete renewal of the Fairfield Avenue business corridor.
- From 1995 to 1997, the BRCC performed grant writing, project development and project management needed to secure two million dollars in state grants for the creation of the Burroughs Community Center.
- Since its inception in 1976, the Council organized and ran Black Rock Day and the Black Rock Day Parade and since 1981, the Black Rock Day Road Race has been part of this event. During the 1990's, the Council launched and successfully ran one of the region's premier festivals -The Olde Black Rock Lobster Festival. By the turn of the century the festival returned to its original format and Black Rock Day has been part of our annual calendar ever since.
- In 2000, the BRCC completed the full restoration project of the Fayerweather Lighthouse creating a strong public/private partnership between the BRCC and the city Parks Department, Friends of Seaside Park, the United Illuminating Company and Bridgeport Energy that culminated in the illumination of the lighthouse for the first time in fifty years. And in 2006, when the lighting failed, the BRCC spearheaded efforts to replace the solar and lighting equipment. In 2007, the BRCC was presented a formal citation for these efforts by the Bridgeport City Council.

And today, the exciting work of the BRCC continues some thirty years since its founding. Join us in our efforts in improving the life of our community by taking advantage of our online membership application. Thank you for your generous support!