Backyard Cottage Design Competition Award Recipients

The City of Lewisville hosted a Backyard Cottage Design Competition in partnership with the American Association of Retired Persons (AARP) Community Challenge department to engage residents in housing creativity and opportunities locally while also providing information on updated local efforts and regulations for the creation of more affordable housing. This competition ran from August 19th to October 31st, 2024, where staff engaged in local events, tabling opportunities, and community groups meetings to gain involvement and garnered 67 submissions.

These submissions were reviewed by two panels of judges including community members, council members, housing, accessibility, and engineering professionals.

Special thanks to our judges:

- Amy Puckett
- Bill Peck
- Councilmember Ronni Cade
- Councilmember William Meredith
- Jacob Moses
- Kelly Presley
- And our Senior Volunteers

The Lewisville City Council would like to commend the following awardees as being selected as the best Backyard Cottage Design submitted for their age category or for special consideration in locally recognized categories.

The following 10 community members were selected for being the best designs submitted. Each awardee will receive a financial prize for their respective design category.

- Youth Category (10 years old and younger): Windy McBreen awarded \$250
- Student Category (11–18 years old): Shane Duggan awarded \$500
- Adult Category (19–54 years old): Cheryl Vaca awarded \$1,000
- Older Adult Category (55+ years old): Lynn Lucier awarded \$1,000

- Design Student Category (for students in Architecture/Design programs): Shane Pellerin awarded \$750
- Design Professional Category (for professionals in Architecture): David Lawson awarded \$1,000
- Most Creative Category: COOPERATIVE works awarded \$500
- Most Accessible Category: Randy Saffle awarded \$500
- Most Sustainable Category: Robert Miller awarded \$500
- People's Choice Category (publicly selected favorite): Peyton Perkins awarded \$500
- I, TJ Gilmore, Mayor of Lewisville, on behalf of the City Council extend a congratulations to each of you on this well-deserved honor.