

The Grapevine

If you have personally used a service that might be useful to share with other neighbors, please send your submissions to: fpnews@floral-park.com with the subject, GRAPEVINE. Include the company (or person) name, phone number, what you had done and why you liked it. Remember, no self-promotion or promotion of businesses you have not legitimately used and were pleased with. The companies listed in the Grapevine are recommended by neighbors and not the FPNA or its Board. Users of the services shared below are personally responsible for checking references and licenses of the companies listed.

Air Conditioning/Heating

Sol Mechanical - Don Crane
Referred By: Kathy & Steve Cooper
(888) 602-4822, solmechanical@cox.net
We

had forced heating air conditioning put in our 1929 home for the first time. Don and crew were professional, on time, and did what they said they would do. We had no surprises. They are customer service oriented to the max!

Brrrr Air Conditioning and Heating - Robert Humphrey
Referred By: Joel Miller and Mark Schroeffer
714-746-6515, brrrrair@hotmail.com

We hired Brrrr Air Conditioning and Heating to install a new air conditioner and furnace in our home on Bonnie Brae. Robert and staff were professional, dependable, and reasonable, and cleaned up thoroughly at the conclusion of each day.

Cool Air Technologies - Bill McIntosh
Referred By: Stacey and Leslie Kato
714-501-9300, trish@cool-air-tech.com

Bill and his staff are honest, reliable and professional. We have used them for both heating and ac services and have very pleased.

Mick's Heating, Air Conditioning, Plumbing, Inc.

Mick Colner
Referred By: Betsy Benton
714-550-9758

Mick replaced a heater and thermostat in just two hours. Three men--all performing the job in a very professional manner. Mick spoke plainly, gave me his best heater as advertised with no gimmicks, doing all the work on schedule. Great job, from a man who takes pride in his work.

Bee Removal

Adkins Bee Removal - Spencer Murphy & Javier
Referred By: Tom Pataca
949-254-6532, ADKINSOC@GMail.com

www.AdkinsBeeRemoval.com
10 years experience
We just had a bee hive removed that contained approximately 20,000 bees. Our concern was not to kill them. I called Adkins Bee Removal and all was a success. The bees were removed with the queen and taken to a beekeeper. We were able to keep the honey and it is the best I have tasted.

Cabinets & Countertops

C & M Kitchen Cabinets, Inc. - Jacques Boulanger
Referred By: Mr. & Mrs. Robert Chisholm
714-848-1010

Precise, professional, fair and a true pleasure to work with.

Cabinetry - Frank Biondi

Referred By: The Berkerys
562-424-8334
Interior workshop

Chair Caning

Chair Caning by Jerry
Referred By: Nancy St. Jacques & Bev Schauwecker
949-675-2559
Hand-weave, Pressed, Rush

Jean Van Couvering Chair Caning

Referred By: Herb and Judy Michel
714-546-5392
She is very reasonable and did a beautiful job on our antique dining room chair. She does not do the staining, but a refinisher did that step and we still saved money.

Child Care

After school care-Donna Oshaban
Referred by Michelle Donahue
714-558-1534

A Floral Park neighbor, Donna provides exceptional care; loving, encouraging and with a level of expectation for great and cooperative behavior-and she gets it! Her home is perfectly clean, she provides the best quality after school snacks and offers a wide variety of fun games and activities after homework is done. I pick up a happy 4th grader with homework done and a smile on her face. Picks up the kids at Santiago but would consider kids from other schools. 6 kids max-2 slots open. Part time optional.

Closet Design

Tailored Living - Scott Barnes
Referred By: Douglas Kraus
714-279-2402, Scott@TailoredLiving.com

Scott redesigned our closets to maximize space. He did a fantastic job installing lots of shelves, racks, drawers and rods and now our closets hold twice the items and are neatly organized. He provided a design (free with consult) and a quote that he stuck to. Very happy with the job and can recommend him highly.

Contractors

Valley Custom Finish - Mike Ruisiewski
Referred By: Patricia Lockhart
714-767-4903

A Master Craftsman with over 33 years of experience, Mike will make your restoration creations a reality with his imaginative and quality craftsmanship. He installed and re-sized a door to fit the door frame and also explained what hinges look best on vintage doors.

Tyler Burns (TBCC) General Contractor

Referred By: Darlene Glenn-Wolff
714-270-6555
Tyler and his crew did quite a bit of building work for us. He was on-time, professional, courteous, kept within budget limits, and reasonably priced. His work product was outstanding.

Driveways

Systems Paving - David Hess
Referred By: Allan & Nancy St. Jacques
949-433-8353

Removed old cement and installed new Castle Cobble stone driveway in two days.

Electrician

MacFarlane Electric
Referred By: Betsy Benton
714-5439265

In Santa Ana since 1933. Jerry came out on emergency for me, and performed very professional service to the main electrical panel which was no longer to code. He has more than 30 yrs. in the profession, and many years working for MacFarlane. Jerry completed this task in two hours; a job that I had previously been quoted requiring a day's work costing hundreds more. I highly recommend this company to my neighbors.

C & D Electric

- Corey Gonyez
Referred By: Susan Giampietro
714-240-4430
Certified journeyman electrician who helped w/lighting, etc.

Advanced Electrical & Lighting, Inc.

- Hugo Rodriguez
Referred By: Mary Coleman
714-285-1700, 94-219-0909; fax 714-285-1702
Has done excellent work both at our restaurant and home. He is very good at troubleshooting ... He is reasonable, licensed and bonded, member of the BBB and an all around nice guy. So easy to work with.

Lovell Electric

Referred By: Judy Michel
951-817-1637, CA Lic# 899295
Ron Lovell checked all our home wiring and installed two chandeliers. He is knowledgeable, prompt and his work is reasonably priced.

Fireplace & Chimney

Far West Construction - Russell Lutman, owner

Referred By: Herb and Judy Michel
714-776-1397, 714-803-1604
Russell specializes in fireplace and chimney repair. He repaired our 1926 firebox bricks and capped the chimney. Honest and easy to work with. Showed expertise with old masonry and fireplaces.

Flooring / Tile

Robert Tusko Tiling
Referred By: David Seigle
714-527-3167

Greg Galbraith (Tile Restoration)

Referred By: Herb and Judy Michel
714-926-3587
We were impressed with the careful, clean job he did restoring our Batchelder fireplace tile and front entrance tile. Very reasonable. He stays busy. Call well before you need him.

Sandra Terwilliger (Sam)

Referred By: Sandy DeAngelis
949-581-8088
Hardwood floor maintenance

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Jim Schwanke Hardwood Flooring

Referred By: Mel & Kate Ladd / Mike and Cheryl Conradson
714-638-3300

Did a great job at repairing and refinishing our hardwood floors. (Ladd) Repaired and refinished all our hardwood floors. Very reasonable and honest. Finished floors are beautiful. (Conradson)

Bill Markle

Referred By: Melanie Choi
949-422-1513

His tile and marble are great!

Bob's Shade & Linoleum

Referred By: Mr. & Mrs. Robert Chisholm
714-538-5322

Retro linoleum floor complete with new thresholds and baseboards. They are professional experts in their field.

Empire Carpets (Barbara Stowers)

Referred By: Patricia Lockhart
949-412-0918

I recently had my carpets replaced by Empire Carpets. The sales rep was professional, extremely helpful and very educated in the field of interior design. I would gladly recommend her.

Anaheim Hills Tile Supply

Referred By: Joel Miller and Mark Schroeffer
714-283-8522, Joe Ribble, Owner

We've purchased tile from Anaheim Hills Tile Supply on several separate occasions. His is a locally owned and operated business. We've always been impressed with his professionalism and reasonable prices and we couldn't recommend him more highly!

Rick Moore, Moore's Floors

Referred By: Joseph Gerda
714-622-4476

Rick Moore was the primary worker for Schwanke Flooring that I and many of our neighbors have used multiple times for both refinishing and installation of hardwood floors. His work was always excellent with reasonable prices and now he has his own business.

Golden Oaks Hardwood Flooring - Amir Makmatchi

Referred By: Anne Etheridge
949-394-7881

Great wood floor guy!

Under Foot, Surface Restoration

Referred By: Krista and Frank Arellano
877-644-7688, www.underfootinc.com

Used a high-pressure steam cleaning process to clean and reseal our bathroom tile floors, steam-clean our back patio, front and back driveway, brick walk-way and the top of our slate bbq. I was so impressed by their professionalism and willingness to go the extra mile. They re-grouted parts of our bathroom floor, repaired a piece of loose slate in the back-yard and even cleaned and resealed our bathroom countertops. This was all done in a half day and at an extremely reasonable price!

Furniture Restoration

Castelazo Cabinets - Roberto Castelazo

Referred By: Toni & Dick Kimball
714-557-4854

Mr. Castelazo repaired two tables for us (both 75-100 years old). His work is fantastic. The oldest table had a leg sheared off and his replacement is undetectable. The other table had been refinished poorly by several people. Mr. Castelazo restored it to original condition!

ZEFERINO ANTIQUE RESTORATION & REFINISHING

Referred By: Mark & Janelle McLoughlin
714-401-5833

A master artisan, highest quality workmanship, knowledgeable of antiques and period correct repairs. Great attention to detail, fair and reasonable prices, and an excellent communicator. Zeferino refinished all our kitchen cabinets including building our center island and dishwasher front. Once we saw the quality of work we had him restore our dining room and bedroom furniture.

Handyman / Carpenter

Bill Miller

Referred By: Anne Etheridge
714-832-9402

Extremely gifted carpenter and fabulous handyman.

First Rate Remodeling, Inc. (Robert Cline)

Referred By: Ken and Linda Mesesan
714-225-2458

We have worked with Robert since 2006. He has substantial experience that includes roofing, carpentry, finish carpentry, window repair, door hanging, architectural molding, concrete, plumbing and electrical. He's great to work with on any project scale. We highly recommend him!

Mr. Ramin Faiz (Floral Park Resident)

Referred By: Toni & Dick Kimball & Christine Switzer
949-302-3249, www.inhousearchitecture.com

Everyone is always looking for a wonderful, honest, dependable, reasonably priced, and a talented handyman. Mr. Ramin Faiz is the answer we have all been waiting for.

Home Theatre / Audio Visual

Video Sonics

Referred by Ron and Cindy Wilsie
714-281-0641, Wayne Nicklin

Housekeeping

Floral Park House Keeping

Referred by: Heather Morin
Cell: (714) 721-6510

Wonderful housekeeper available. Excellent, reliable, hard-working. English Speaking/bilingual. Juana is a very dear lady, she takes care (and walks) our dogs too along with cleaning our home for many years. Any business her way would be much appreciated.

Housekeeping - Cathy Mendez

Referred By: Leslie Kato
(714) 929-9436

Reliable and thorough. While she does speak English, it is best to talk with her husband on the phone.

Marcella & Edwin

Referred By: Douglas Kraus
562-469-8189

Been cleaning our house for 14 years. Very nice and totally trustworthy. Speak English, hard working, cleans under rugs, windows and will work to your satisfaction. Recommend highly.

Landscaping / Sprinklers / Trees

Greg McCollum Landscaping

Referred By: Boe Boezinger
714-647-0174

Designed and implemented front garden landscaping. Great ideas, easy to work with.

Ladd Modern Irrigation

Referred By: Robin Romain
714-542-9733

Takes care of our whole water system.

VT Tree Service

Referred by: Guy and Lisa Elston
714-997-0903

Have done a beautiful job trimming our cedar tree twice. Certified arborists, professional crew.

Ron Nichka, Emerald Landscape Design

Referred By: Lynda Yana
626-824-1008

Completed redesign of Sara May Downie Park.

Vargas Tree Service

Referred by Leah Schmidt
714-630-5337

I have had excellent service from them twice, along with Carolyn Urtel, my neighbor

Barbara Deed Garden Design

Referred By: Chuck & Julie Lake
949-786-4055, www.barbaradeedgardendesign.com

Barbara did a great job designing and rebuilding the landscaping for both our back and front yards. Her masonry and landscape contractors were excellent. She managed all the contractors and completed the project quickly.

Nick Dean Landscape Design

Referred By: Douglas Kraus
323-828-3858, nickdean@sbcglobal.net,

www.nickdeangardens.com

Designed our front and back yard. Very, very creative, easy to work with. Extremely pleased with the result and whole process. Nick's a great guy.

Greenland Landscaping (Victor Quinones)

Referred By: Sharon Evans

(626) 209-7661 or (866) 610-1531

Highly recommend. Put in large new beautiful lawn, fixed my old sprinkler system and did other planting and design. Reliable, finished on time. I shall use him again.

Lighting

Kona Lighting

Referred By: Judy Michel
714-828-0910

I was pleased with the service I received at Kona Lighting. They completely rewired one chandelier and did an excellent job of repairing two breaks on a second crystal chandelier.

Locksmith

Murray Willis

Referred By: Mr. & Mrs. Robert Chisholm
714-394-2022

Locksmith with many years experience with doors. He is quick, fair and reasonably priced.

Orange County Locksmith Service

Referred By: Patricia Lockhart
714-634-2222 or 949-250-1234 (ask for Dave or Phil)

Dave was more knowledgeable than any other locksmiths I called in the yellow pages. When he came out he was a true pro. He accessed my needs as a Landlord and made everything just right for me.

Masonry

DMC Masonry

Referred By: Ron and Cindy Wilsie
949-454-8386, Contact: Dave "Snowy" Collins

McCleary Masonry

Referred By: Megan Whitford
562-714-2324

Mark McCleary is a wonderful and talented masonry guy. He can basically do anything with stone: walls, facade, driveways, pathways, etc.

Painting/Plaster

Y Kim's Painting

Referred By: John & Linda Schulte, Mel & Kate Ladd
714-821-1014

Painted inside our home. He's meticulous and dependable!

Old Towne Painting - Rick Litchie

Referred By: The Berkerys, Mike & Cheryl Conradson, Jim & Karyn Cripps
714-285-1920

Exterior Painting and Color Consult.. (Berkery)

Not just house painters "house artistry"! Meticulous in all details, prep and color consultation. Fantastic job! (Conradson) Very responsible and reliable. GREAT JOB. Stained our new Kitchen Cabinets a Rustic Black-BEAUTIFUL. (Cripps)

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Joe Maturino Plastering/Stuccoing

Referred By: David Seigle
714-883-7244
Plastering/stuccoing

Hillside Plastering

Referred By: Boe & Cathe Boezinger
714-569-0655

Ray Smith is a true artist. Wonderful work specializing in the unique challenges of vintage homes.

Patchwork's Plastering Company

Referred by: Karla & Rob Octavio
714-530-5119

Aston Hill is a true professional--reliable and honest, and a good communicator. Great attention to protect the vintage details in our home.

All Star Plastering

Referred By: Mel & Kate Ladd
714-618-2018

They really went the extra mile to get us the color and texture we wanted for our exterior stucco

www.historichousecolors.com

Recommended By: Anne Etheridge

For those who want assistance choosing historically and architecturally accurate house colors

Kevin's Painting

Referred By: Joseph Gerda
714-572-2360

Chose them based on their references (top rated company on Angies List) and very reasonable price. They were professional in all manner, were on time, and returned phone calls promptly.

Gogh Van Vincent Painting

Referred By: Mark Millman
Ty, 714-350-5807

I have used Ty on the inside and soon outside of my home. His attention to detail and quality of work are second to none!

Nick Field

Referred By: Sara Chesters and Frank Barbaro
nickfield5@yahoo.com or cell: 714-743-1689

We used Nick Field, a local Santa Ana resident, for a complete inside and outside paint job when we moved into our new home. He did an awesome job and is especially good at decorative and detailed work and wallpapering, he was trained in England - a true pro.

Carlos Painting - Carlos Jacobo

Referred By: Anne Etheridge
714 492-3336

Carlos has painted numerous rooms inside my house. He also did exterior venetian plaster on the entire house (and it looks fabulous if I do say so myself). He is meticulous, honest, fairly priced and hardworking. I really can't say enough good things about him.

Plumbing

Dave Lambie, George Brazil Plumbing and Heating

Referred By: Joe Magaddino
1-800-Call-GEO

Major gravity furnace overhaul. Knowledgeable and did a great job. Tried several plumbing companies before but I found no one willing to do the job.

West Coast Plumbing and Solar

Referred By: Robin Romain
714-761-8512

Had our whole house re-piped with copper pipes. Charged a lot less than other bids we had gotten.

Bass & Sons Plumbing

Referred By: Beverley Schauwecker
714-534-5403

Very knowledgeable about "old" plumbing. I highly recommend them.

Coast Construction (Rob Loofbourrow, Lic #876043)

Referred By: John & Linda Schulte
909-938-7284, 909-880-8627,

coastconstruction5@yahoo.com

Rob is an excellent, dependable, responsive general contractor and plumber. We highly recommend him.

Southwest Plumbing (Steve Herold).

Referred By: Darlene Glenn-Wolff
714-288-9991 or cel 714-540-0090

I would highly recommend Steve! I have used his plumbing services, and he helped us out tremendously and professionally (fixing other plumber's work). He was also one of the team lead volunteers on the Fisher Park Build Day project.

Roofing

Weatherline Roofing (Ken LaRue)

Referred By: Sandy DeAngelis
714-748-9707

American Home Insulation

Referred By: Ron Striewig
949-413-2371, Contact: Michael, Owner

Attic insulated - fast, courteous, clean and efficient.

Solar

Heritage Solar, Inc.

Referred By: Kevin Barber and Stacey Clinesmith
949-677-9470, dennis@heritagesolar.com

www.heritagesolar.com

Dennis did a complete solar installation on our house about two years ago and now our average electric bill is \$75 a YEAR! We were so please with the service and their professionalism!

Swimming Pool

Perfection Pool - Brad Young

Referred By: Sandy DeAngelis
714-904-3230

Pool maintenance

Allmark Pools - Mark

Referred By: Rob & Judy Johnson
562-587-1418

Did a fabulous job on our pool!

Jonathon Pools

Referred By: Chuck & Julie Lake
714-396-1091

Jonathon refurbished our 50-yr old pool to look like new. He replaced old equipment, installed new plumbing, improved overall circulation in the pool which has eliminated persistent algae problems, patched plaster, and acid washed our tile. He was on schedule, courteous, and a pleasure to work with.

Windows / Window Washing

Awning By Russ, Owner Russ Rinner

Referred By: Jessica Carr & Joy Ridout
714.525.RUSS

Fast service, great pricing. Highly recommend.

Window Restoration & Repair

Referred by: Karla & Rob Octavio
562-493-1590

Scott and his team did a great job of repairing some original windows, and replacing others with exact replicas (but better glass!). Excellent attention to vintage details and restoration. Very professional, on time, great communication.

Home Craftsman Inc.

Jim Crawford, Owner/Installer
Referred by: Chuck and Julie Lake
714-404-2518, windows4@gmail.com

Jim did a great job for us, replacing aluminum sliders with wood casement windows on our entire second story. The entire house looks much better and more in tune with the style and its original construction period. Jim also hung several interior and exterior doors, including a difficult Dutch door.

Sure-fit Mobile Screen Shop

Referred by: Wanda & Gil Marrero
800-737-2733 or 714-953-4401

Installed normal screens and the "disappearing screens" to our home. Family owned and operated since 1986.

Eddy's Window Washing

Referred by: Judy Johnson
714-321-4801

West Coast Screen & Glass

Referred By: Allan St. Jacques
714-633-6232

Called one day, arrived the next; and did a quick and efficient job of replacing four small windows

Rembrandt Windows - Blair O'Callaghan, owner

Referred by: Wally McCloud & Denny Patterson
<http://www.rembrandtwindows.com/index.html>

714-968-6538 office

In an attempt to clean our windows, Denny promptly dropped our custom made, 1924, arched/hinged window from the second story. Blair and his skilled team of craftsmen repaired the window to its original state in a most timely and expert manner. It was a pleasure keeping business "in the neighborhood" with Rembrandt Windows and we highly recommend them.

A Clear Choice

Referred By: Darlene Glenn-Wolff
1-877-33-CLEAR

Our neighbors have been using this company for years and that is how we started using them. We have used them for four years and been very happy with both the windows and the carpet cleaning services.

BJ's Window Cleaning

Referred By: Anne Etheridge
714-730-9200

I have been using Joanie at BJ's for years. She's fabulous...very thorough, good clean up.
