

NEWCOMER YOUTH/YOUTH DROP IN PROGRAM

Food Around the World & More

by Carolina Meneses

SNA Youth Program is open to anyone ages 12 - 18. New youth are welcome anytime! The Youth Program runs out of the Magnus Eliason Recreation Centre (MERC) located at 430 Langside Street.

Our Newcomer Youth/ Youth Drop In Program has been working hard to provide youth and their families with supports needed during these challenging times. In the last year we transitioned most of our program to house deliveries and virtual programming.

During April we will keep delivering our "Food Around the World" packages. Every week, youth participants receive the ingredients to complete a recipe from different countries. By learning more about different flavours and cultures, we celebrate and honour our neighbourhood's cultural diversity! So far, we have delivered 476 packages and have tried 19 different recipes.

This month we will also start our "Meeting in the Circle, Stories of Home and Community" digital storytelling project. This project will be conducted virtually and will provide youth and their families with the opportunity to create a story and learn how to use video editing software from their homes.

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Our youth photo project, "The Pandemic Through My Eyes" will also start this month. Youth will have the opportunity to reflect through photographs the ways in which COVID has changed their lives. Disposable cameras will be available for those who want to join us!

Contact us at newcomer@spenceneighbourhood.org or on Facebook @spencemerc if you have questions or if you would like to register in any of our current programming.

We are looking forward to seeing you soon!

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Community Clean Up

April 17* from 1 to 4 pm
430 Langside (MERC)



We invite all community members to join us in helping to keep our community debris free and show our West End Spence neighbourhood pride!

If needed we will be supplying garbage pick up tools, garbage bags, t-shirts and gloves.

Social distancing and mask wearing will be in place in order to keep everyone safe! We look forward to seeing you there!

Contact:
greenimage@spenceneighbourhood.org

*rain date April 24

COMMITTEE MEETINGS - MODIFIED
FOR MORE INFORMATION VISIT OUR WEBSITE AT
WWW.SPENCENEIGHBOURHOOD.ORG
OR EMAIL THE COMMITTEE CONTACT PERSON
LISTED ON PAGE 4

Violence Prevention Program

10 week program
Begins April 6th
Tuesdays 6:00 - 7:30 pm
Open to youth age 14 - 19
\$100 honorarium!

Join us for workshops on:
Mental Health
Consent
Safer Sex
Healthy Relationships
Media Awareness
Oppression & Anti-Racism
Community Building
And more!

To register email:
aine@spenceneighbourhood.org



Conditions apply
Eligible income:
\$35,000-\$75,592

4th Intake Deadline:
May 17, 2021 - 4 PM

See
spenceneighbourhood.org/snhap
for details!

The Spence Neighbourhood Homebuyer Assistance Program (SNHAP) puts the rising cost of homeownership within reach of qualifying families who may be able to afford the monthly costs associated with owning a home, but who may have difficulty saving for a down payment.

Receive up to
\$14,000
toward the purchase
of a home in Spence!



HOMELESSNESS OUTREACH MENTOR

Are you currently experiencing homelessness or couch surfing?

Jasmine
Cell: 204-999-4485

615 Ellice Ave
Corner of
Ellice & Maryland

row@spenceneighbourhood.org



Spence
Neighbourhood
Association



PLEASE CALL OR DROP IN TO BOOK AN APPOINTMENT

RENTAL SAFETY COORDINATOR

Eviction Support
Tenant-Landlord Mediation
RTB Support
Hydro Arrears
Bedbug Support
...And more!

Cheryl

NEW



204-979-9169



Cheryl Spencehousing



rentalsafety@spenceneighbourhood.org



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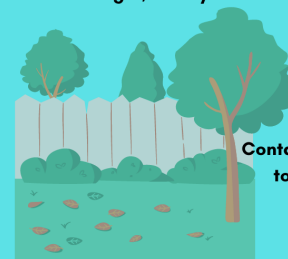


Youth Crew All Season Yard Care Services



Are you a senior living in Spence who needs their yard raked and leaves bagged or your lawn mowed?

Call Youth Crew. This program offers casual, hands on, paid work for youth ages 11-16 years. Friendly, eager, local youth trained and ready to go!



No charge for seniors.

Contact Leslie at 204 801 6740
to arrange your work order.

DONATIONS NEEDED THANK YOU!

WE24 - Jackets, Socks, Shoes/Boots, Toothbrushes. Tooth Paste, Deodorant, Soap, Razors, Bottled Water, Back Packs, Granola Bars, Individual Snack Items, Mitts and Hats

All donations can be dropped off at 430 Langside (MERC)

Mail Pick Up

430 Langside (MERC)

Monday - Friday

10 am - 2 pm



Spence Neighbourhood Association (SNA):

Website: www.spenceneighbourhood.org

615 Ellice Avenue (Head Office):

Community Connecting, Environment & Open Spaces, Finance, Homeless Outreach, & Housing.

430 Langside Street (Magnus Eliason Recreation Centre - MERC):

Building Belonging, Children, Newcomer Youth Outreach, West End 24 Hour Safe Space, & Youth Drop-In.

365 McGee Street (West End Commons):

Youth Employment Hub, First Jobs 4 Youth, & Youth Crew

231 Isabel Street (Central Neighbourhoods):

Gang Action Interagency Network (GAIN)

350 Spence Street (Axworthy Health & RecPlex):

Community Sports Program

Email: liaison@spenceneighbourhood.org |

Building Belonging has a New Co-Coordinator

Hello everyone! I am Apid Gurung, newly appointed Building Belonging Co-Coordinator. I am a newcomer in Canada, who came to pursue a university degree from Nepal. I am an enthusiastic and passionate individual who is driven by authenticity, integrity and excellence. I am highly interested in sports, music, arts and literature. I have completed my postgraduate diploma degree in Project Management from The University of Winnipeg and Bachelor's in Business Administration degree from Tribhuvan University, Nepal. I have over four years of experience in coordinating project activities and planning for a nonprofit organization based in Nepal.

As someone who is interested in community development services, I am highly passionate to be part of the Spence Neighbourhood Association. I am looking forward to working and collaborating tirelessly to achieve the SNA's goal and vision.



Keep an eye on our social media accounts and next month's newsletter for our Youth Crew Catering Fundraisers. We have some wonderful sweet treats planned for Mother's Day!

Website and Social Media

Website: www.spenceneighbourhood.org

Facebook: [SpenceNeighbourhoodAssociation](https://www.facebook.com/SpenceNeighbourhoodAssociation)

Twitter: [SNAcommunity](https://twitter.com/SNAcommunity)

Instagram: [SNAcommunity](https://www.instagram.com/SNAcommunity)



CHILDREN & YOUTH PROGRAMS

Building Belonging

Our School Year 2020-2021 after school program for ages 6-12 runs Monday to Friday 3:30-5:30 pm when restrictions allow, with a daily meal, structured activities and pickup from John M King and Sister Mac schools and walk home available. Programming will be primarily outside, follow social distancing guidelines and groups may be limited. During program closures families in the Spence neighbourhood can register to receive weekly activity packages delivered until programming starts up again. Contact us at buildingbelonging@spenceneighbourhood.org

Newcomer Youth/Youth Drop In Program

Our Newcomer Youth/Youth Drop In Program delivers cultural recipe packages every Friday. If you are a youth between 12-17 years old and want to get a package you can contact newcomer@spenceneighbourhood.org or through Facebook: @spencemerc. We are here to support you!

Community Sports Program

We will be having a virtual sport program on our social media pages. We are going to take a more holistic approach and incorporate yoga and mental health, nutrition workshops and access to alternative therapies. Contact us at sport@spenceneighbourhood.org

Youth Employment Hub

The First Jobs 4 Youth program is providing remote services. The Coordinator can be reached at aaron@spenceneighbourhood.org

Youth Crew is open and is performing essential services at the WestEnd Commons.

Contact Leslie at firstjobs@spenceneighbourhood.org or call 204-801-6740 for all other inquiries.

WE24 Overnight Safe Space

Monday - Sunday
11:00 pm - 7:00 am
430 Langside - MERC
Cell #: 204-333-9681



MORE WAYS TO ENGAGE WITH YOUR COMMUNITY

Holistic Housing

SNA Homebuyer Assistance Program
Fourth Intake Deadline: May 17, 2021 - 4:00 pm
For more information:
www.spenceneighbourhood.org/snhap
All other programs are working remotely.
See advertisements for contact information for Homelessness Mentor and Rental Safety Coordinator.
housing@spenceneighbourhood.org
204-783-5000 Ext. 105

Environment and Open Spaces

Community Clean Up - April 17 - 1 - 4 pm
Contact: greenimage@spenceneighbourhood.org

Violence Prevention Program

The Violence Prevention Program examines different forms of gender based violence impacting youth, and explores how we can come together to address them as a community. Open to youth aged 14-19. We prioritize the registration of Two Spirit, Trans, Non-binary youth and girls but all are welcome.
Email aime@spenceneighbourhood.org for more information or to register.

Free Basketball Program

REGISTRATION OPEN NOW!

Registration for the Spring/Summer Season with SNA is open to youth ages 8-17 that live in the Spence neighbourhood.

Practice skills through drills during the spring/summer. All skill levels welcome! Players will be divided into cohorts and each player MUST remain within the same cohort for the entire program.

Season runs April 2021 to June 2021 at 430 Langside (MERC).
Transportation will NOT be provided. Staff will ensure everyone gets home safely, by walking kids home and/or ensuring kids have a safe ride.

Registration forms are available at 430 Langside (MERC)

For more information, please contact:

Towela Mkanda | 204-296-2211 | sport@spenceneighbourhood.org
www.spenceneighbourhood.org/sports

COMMITTEE MEETINGS - MODIFIED

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Holistic Housing Committee

615 Ellice
Contact: Housing Coordinator at
204-783-5000 ext.105
housing@spenceneighbourhood.org

CED Committee

365 McGee
Contact: Youth Employment Hub
Coordinator at 204-801-6740 or
firstjobs@spenceneighbourhood.org

Environment and Open Spaces Committee

615 Ellice
Contact: EOS Coordinator at
204-783-5000 ext. 102 or
greenimage@spenceneighbourhood.org

Community Connecting Committee

615 Ellice
Contact: Community Connector at
204-783-5000 ext.106 or
safety@spenceneighbourhood.org

Youth & Families Committee

430 Langside
Contact: Youth Programs Manager at
204-783-5000 ext. 111 or
mungala@spenceneighbourhood.org

