

## BUILDING BELONGING PROGRAM

by Allison Besel

During a difficult year with program closures, Building Belonging's after school program for kids ages 6-12 in our community has stayed in weekly contact with families and delivered activity kits, emergency food packages, PPE and basic needs thanks to our partners and generous community donations.

Our partners Art City Outreach packed art activity kits and the University of Winnipeg's Wii Chiiwaakanak Learning Centre made Science Explorers experiment kits, the Winnipeg Public Library, Bookmates Inc. and community donors gave books to promote family literacy, the U of W RecPlex provided Safe at Home Sport Kits, the Islamic Social Services Association shared board games donated by Across the Board Cafe and Kristie Pearson's networks of donors and Harvest Manitoba helped us meet families' need for supplies such as pet food, cleaning supplies, and hygiene products.

When schools closed in May, the University of Winnipeg's Wii Chiiwaakanak Learning Centre wanted to support families with remote learning and with funding from the Klngfisher Foundation gifted each registered BB family with kids taking part in Science Explorers with a new Chromebook! We are incredibly grateful to everyone who contributed.

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Thanks to funding from the Winnipeg Foundation's Summer Program and Camp Grant our Summer Program will run Monday to Friday 1-3pm in July and August when group size restrictions allow.

We offer structured programming in a safe and friendly environment with healthy meals and snacks. Safe walk pickup from home is available and we encourage kids to bike to the MERC. Summer Program registration forms are available at the M.E.R.C (430 Langside St.) or online.

Contact us at:

[buildingbelonging@spenceneighbourhood.org](mailto:buildingbelonging@spenceneighbourhood.org).



**COMMUNITY COMMITTEE MEETING**  
**ONLINE**

**KEEP YOUR EYE ON SOCIAL MEDIA FOR NEXT DATE!**  
**FOR MORE INFORMATION VISIT OUR WEBSITE AT**  
**WWW.SPENCENEIGHBOURHOOD.ORG**  
**OR EMAIL THE COMMITTEE CONTACT PERSON**  
**LISTED ON PAGE 4**



SNA is seeking enthusiastic, passionate, and reliable youth (ages 16-24) to be a part of our First Jobs 4 Youth Program this June 2021.

Applications for 2021 are now available!

Contact:  
aaron@spenceneighbourhood.org  
204-995-1119



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

5th Intake Deadline:  
June 30, 2021 - 4 PM

See  
spenceneighbourhood.org/  
announcements/snhap  
for details!

Receive up to

**\$14,000**  
toward the purchase  
of a home in Spence!

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.

For more information and to apply:  
www.spenceneighbourhood.org/program/fj4y-yeo

## RENTAL SAFETY COORDINATOR

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

**Cheryl**

204-979-9169

Cheryl Spencehousing

rentalsafety@spenceneighbourhood.org



**DONATIONS NEEDED  
THANK YOU!**

Want to advertise in our newsletter?  
Go to spenceneighbourhood.org/  
get-involved/newsletter  
for more information.

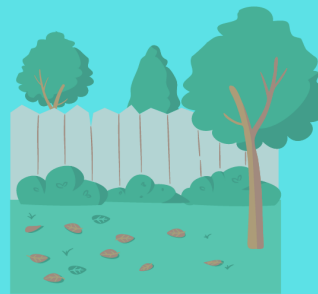


## Youth Crew All Season Yard Care Services



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.

## Mail Pick Up & Door Service

430 Langside (MERC)  
Monday - Friday  
10 am - 3 pm



**WE24** - Jackets, Socks, Shoes/Boots, Toothbrushes, Tooth Paste, Deodorant, Soap, Razors, Bottled Water, Back Packs, Granola Bars, Individual Snack Items, Mitts and Hats  
**Liaison:** Socks, hygiene, bottled water/juice, individual snack items  
All donations can be dropped off at 430 Langside (MERC)

## 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 |



## West End 24 Hour Safe Space Celebrating 5th Anniversary

Winnipeg's West End, a low-income neighbourhood with higher crime rates and more active streets than most, had no 24-hour safe space for youth until the summer of 2016.

This year West End 24 Hour Safe Space is celebrating it's 5th Anniversary! It has moved from a weekend and holidays available program to being every night all year long!

SNA's West End 24 Hour Safe Space for Youth (also known as WE24) operates out of 430 Langside Street (in Winnipeg, MB) and provides an overnight space for youth ages 13-26 to rest, relax, access food, resources, and basic needs, in a supportive, kind, and warm environment.

Happy Anniversary WE24! We are so proud of everything you do!

For more information:

[www.spenceneighbourhood.org/program/we24/](http://www.spenceneighbourhood.org/program/we24/)

Check out our New Website  
Same website address:  
[www.spenceneighbourhood.org](http://www.spenceneighbourhood.org)

## SNA Welcomes Moji Mohammed as our New Bookkeeper!

Moji is the new bookkeeper at 615 Ellice office. She will be administering the SNA staff cash and cheque requests weekly and also support partner organizations in their bookkeeping needs. In addition, she will be in charge of the bi-weekly payroll for all SNA staff. Please feel free to reach her at [finance@spenceneighbourhood.org](mailto:finance@spenceneighbourhood.org) for all SNA finance related issues and she'd be happy to help.



## SNA Welcomes Gibo Shim as our New Assistant Garden Coordinator!

Hello! My name is Gibo and I will be an Assistant Garden Coordinator this summer. I am relatively new to Winnipeg and I am looking forward to my time in Winnipeg. I moved to Winnipeg in September for school and this will be my first summer in Winnipeg. I am excited to be spending time in the Spence neighbourhood gardens this summer.

My appreciation for gardening continues to grow as I learn more about gardening and I am hoping to learn some new techniques from gardeners in the community. One reason I appreciate gardening is because I enjoy eating good food, and I think gardening can be an important source for good food. Gardening is also a great activity that can be outdoors, hands-on, and active.

If you see me working in one of the gardens, feel free to drop by to chat about sports, food, gardening, or something of interest to you!



## Environment and Open Spaces Garden Update

We've closed applications for community garden plots - thank you to everyone who applied! Gardeners, if there's anything you need, please call or email [greenimage@spenceneighbourhood.org](mailto:greenimage@spenceneighbourhood.org)

Thank you to everyone who attended the Community Consultation on the greenhouse; we loved hearing from you. Happy summer everyone! - by Mandalyn Unger

### Website and Social Media

Website: [www.spenceneighbourhood.org](http://www.spenceneighbourhood.org)  
Facebook: [SpenceNeighbourhoodAssociation](https://www.facebook.com/SpenceNeighbourhoodAssociation)  
Twitter: [SNAcommunity](https://twitter.com/SNAcommunity)  
Instagram: [SNAcommunity](https://www.instagram.com/SNAcommunity)





# PROGRAMS

## 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](mailto: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](mailto:newcomer@spenceneighbourhood.org) or through Facebook: @spencemerc. We are here to support you!

### Community Sports Program

Registration forms are now available at 430 Langside for ages 8 - 18. Look for SNA's Yoga, mindfulness and meditation series Instagram through IGTV! Contact [sport@spenceneighbourhood.org](mailto:sport@spenceneighbourhood.org) for more information.

### Youth Employment Hub

The First Jobs 4 Youth program is providing remote services. Applications deadline is June 30th - 4:00 pm.

The Coordinator can be reached at

[aaron@spenceneighbourhood.org](mailto:aaron@spenceneighbourhood.org)

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

Contact Leslie at [firstjobs@spenceneighbourhood.org](mailto: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

Fifth Intake Deadline: June 30, 2021 - 4:00 pm

For more information:

[www.spenceneighbourhood.org/snhap](http://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](mailto:housing@spenceneighbourhood.org)

204-783-5000 Ext. 105

### Environment and Open Spaces

Stay tuned to social media in June to see if EOS is giving away more seedlings.

Contact: [greenimage@spenceneighbourhood.org](mailto:greenimage@spenceneighbourhood.org)

Community Sports Program will be piloting a Mindful Movement program over 8 weeks with a maximum of 20 participants, ages 12- 18, all genders. Each participant will receive a pack with program supplies. Registration forms can be emailed or picked up at 430 Langside and are to be emailed back or returned to 430 Langside. A big thank you to Modo Yoga Winnipeg for helping us create the program and for sponsoring us!

## HOMELESSNESS OUTREACH MENTOR



Are you currently experiencing homelessness or couch surfing?

Jasmine



204-999-4485



Jasmine Spencehousing



[row@spenceneighbourhood.org](mailto:row@spenceneighbourhood.org)

**\*\*Please call, Facebook message or email to make an appointment**



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### Holistic Housing Committee

615 Ellice

Contact: Housing Coordinator at

204-783-5000 ext.105

[housing@spenceneighbourhood.org](mailto:housing@spenceneighbourhood.org)

### Community Connecting Committee

615 Ellice

Contact: Community Connector at

204-783-5000 ext.106 or

[safety@spenceneighbourhood.org](mailto:safety@spenceneighbourhood.org)

### CED Committee

365 McGee

Contact: Youth Employment Hub

Coordinator at 204-801-6740 or

[firstjobs@spenceneighbourhood.org](mailto:firstjobs@spenceneighbourhood.org)

### Youth & Families Committee

430 Langside

Contact: Youth Programs Manager at

[mungala@spenceneighbourhood.org](mailto:mungala@spenceneighbourhood.org)

### Environment and Open Spaces Committee

615 Ellice

Contact: EOS Coordinator at

204-783-5000 ext. 102 or

[greenimage@spenceneighbourhood.org](mailto:greenimage@spenceneighbourhood.org)

