

ENVIRONMENT AND OPEN SPACES PROGRAM

by Mandalyn Unger

The Spring Cleanup has been postponed until Saturday May 15 due to snow (third winter snuck up on us!) Cleanup is still from 1-3pm. Start at your nearest location: The MERC (430 Langside), WCWRC (640 Ellice), or DMSMCA (823 Ellice). Takeaway lunch and entry for the raffle prize back at The MERC from 3-4pm. Rain or shine!

New Staff Member

Please welcome Stephen Kirk to SNA! Stephen is the Greenhouse Coordinator and will be taking care of the exciting new all-season greenhouse being built at 689 Maryland! Construction begins this Spring and we're excited to hear from you about what greenhouse programs you would like to see; what food you would like to grow; and what volunteer and job opportunities you think we can create. If you're interested in this project, email greenhouse@spenceneighbourhood.org with your questions and ideas! Stay tuned for more updates and ways to get involved.

Community Garden registration is OPEN!

All new and returning gardeners must register for garden space, please and thanks!

To register: email greenimage@spenceneighbourhood.org
SUBJECT: "Garden Application" for an online application you can submit via email or pickup and drop off paper applications at the MERC (430 Langside) Mon-Fri from 9:00 - 3:30pm. **Due May 10.**

This year, we have garden space in:

683 Agnes
637 Maryland
607 Langside
559 Langside
547 Furby
485 Young
446 Langside
350 Agnes (cared for by IJustCity)
*448 McGee (cared for by WCWRC) has a new group-style community gardening program. Email jill@wcwrc.ca to learn more.



Gardener Raffle Prize!

Fill out our Spence Community Greenhouse Survey to enter to win eight brand new seed starting trays, seeds, and soil! See the flyer you received with this newsletter for details.

Happy garden season, everyone!

Your Environment and Open Spaces Coordinator, Mandalyn, can be reached at greenimage@spenceneighbourhood.org (email preferred) or 204 783 5000 ext 102.

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COMMUNITY COMMITTEE MEETING ONLINE

TUESDAY, MAY 11 • 6:00 – 8:00 PM
FOR MORE INFORMATION VISIT OUR WEBSITE AT
WWW.SPENCENEIGHBOURHOOD.ORG
OR EMAIL THE COMMITTEE CONTACT PERSON
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West End Spring Clean Up

SATURDAY MAY 15
NEW DATE!



1-3pm cleanup
3-4 takeaway lunch @ MERC

START AT YOUR CLOSEST SPOT:
The MERC 430 Langside
DMSMCA 823 Ellice
WCWRC 640 Ellice

ALL SUPPLIES PROVIDED
T-SHIRT WITH ART BY ILDIKO NOVA
FOR ALL WHILE SUPPLIES LAST!




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.

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

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

See
spenceneighbourhood.org/snhap
for details!

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



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

Spence Neighbourhood Association



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Go to
spenceneighbourhood.org/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.



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
Liaison: Socks, hygiene, bottled water/juice, individual snack items
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 |

Environment & Open Spaces has a Greenhouse Coordinator for our New Community Greenhouse Project

Hi! I'm Stephen Kirk, your new community greenhouse coordinator. I'm very happy to be working in the neighbourhood.

I've lived in the West End for more than 15 years now. Most of that time, I worked at the Organic Planet Co-op over in Wolesley, so I have lots of experience with getting good food to people. Among other things, I enjoy composting, gardening, camping and tai chi.

This year, a new community greenhouse will be built at 689 Maryland, near Wellington Avenue. We are hoping to grow lots of good food there, as well as provide jobs and volunteer opportunities in the neighbourhood. It should be in operation year-round, except for the coldest weeks of winter. Perhaps most importantly, we want to show and share good gardening practices: it is easy to grow some of your own food, even without money or access to a yard.

To help encourage you to get started this season, the community greenhouse project is giving away 8 seed starting kits, complete with potting mix & seeds. Just add water! You should find an entry form included with this newsletter. If not, or for any other gardening questions or concerns, please feel free to contact me at:

greenhouse@spenceneighbourhood.org
or call **204-783-5000 x102**.

Happy Spring!



Basketball and Soccer

registration forms are available
for all genders
at 430 Langside
or we can be emailed one to you
if you reach out to:

sport@spenceneighbourhood.org

Or

amina@spenceneighbourhood.org

Central Neighbourhoods Community Cleanup

Saturday, May 15, 2021

12 pm - 3 pm

Meet at Central Hub @ 231 Isabel

Show your love for central Winnipeg and join the community cleanup of Centennial, West Alexander, and Central Park neighbourhoods.

All supplies provided. Free lunch and tshirt for volunteers.

For more information, visit cnwpg.org.



(M)other's Day Cupcake Fundraiser!



Send a cupcake package with a hand painted card to a special person in your life on May 6th or 7th!

\$25 includes

- ½ dozen fancy cupcakes made by our Youth Crew
 - Strawberry Ambrosia and Chocolate Decadence
 - Order all one flavour or half and half
 - Gluten Free and Vegan option for Strawberry available
- A hand painted card with a message addressed to your special person
- Youth Crew delivery right to their door

All proceeds support our youth crew programming.
Thank you for your support in employing local youth!

Check our website and social media pages for ordering information.

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

Registration forms are now available at 430 Langside for ages 8 - 18. Basketball begins May 3rd and Soccer begins June 5th for all genders. Shooting competitions EVERY Friday with monthly prizes and co-hosting another 100 soccer balls event this August! Come join us for a fun-filled registration day at 430 Langside on May 1st for both programs, snacks and refreshments will be available from 12-2 pm along with some big laughs, great music & yoga games for families and kids.

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 - May 15 - 1 - 3 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 aine@spenceneighbourhood.org for more information or to register.

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

PLEASE CALL OR DROP IN TO BOOK AN APPOINTMENT



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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
mungala@spenceneighbourhood.org

