

NEWSLETTER

APRIL 2022

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Every year, Spence Neighbourhood Association (SNA) holds an Annual General Meeting (AGM).

While generally it is hosted in January of each year, this year's unusual circumstances has resulted in SNA hosting it later in the year so more individuals within the community could attend.

At our AGMs, we share our previous year's highlights, release our annual report, and elect our Board of Directors.

Spence Neighbourhood Association
Annual General Meeting

Tuesday, April 26, 2021

For more information
visit our Community Hub at
www.spenceneighbourhood.org

or any of our social media

SPENCE Neighbliffsd Association

We look forward to seeing you there!

All are welcome to attend our AGM..

In our Annual Report, we describe and account for our activities, initiatives, programs, and financial performance from the previous year.

Our Annual Report is shared with our community, stakeholders, and those interested in our organization. To view previous years' reports visit:

spenceneighbourhood.org/publication_categories/annual-reports/



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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
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SNA's Housing Team



Rental Safety Coordinator

204-998-5993 (9am-5pm, Monday - Friday)

Vanessa Spencehousing

Jasmine

rentalsafety@spenceneighbourhood.org

204-999-4485 (9am-4:30pm, Monday - Friday)

Jasmine Spencehousing

Homelessness Outreach Mentor

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row@spencenighbourhood.org

Indigenous Input in Local Housing Project Coordinator

204-979-9169 (9am-4:30pm, Monday-Friday)

Cheryl Spencehousing

cheryl@spenceneighbourhood.org

Receive up to

\$14,000

toward the purchase of a home in Spence!



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

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.









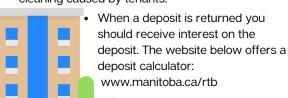


spenceneighbourhood.org/announcements/snhap for details!

Rental Safety Tip

Security Deposits Quick Facts

- Cannot be more than 1/2 of the month's rent
- Always get a receipt or proof of payment
- At the end of a tenancy the deposit can be used to cover any unpaid rent, damage, or extraordinary cleaning caused by tenants.



Want to advertise in our newsletter? get-involved/newsletter

Go to spenceneighbourhood.org/ for more information, Closed

WE24 will be closed **April 3rd-April 16th**

> **Reopening and** back to regular programming **April 17th 11 pm - 7 am**





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) or contact Chantel at donations@spenceneighbourhood.org



Door Service 430 Langside (MERC) **Monday - Friday**

Mail Pick Up &

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



Applications are due May 2, 2022.

New and returning gardeners are welcome.

Get free seedlings, learn gardening skills at workshops, and build community outdoors!

For an application please visit spenceneighbourhood.org/program/ green-spaces-gardening/ or pick up one from the MERC (430 Langside).

Applications can be dropped off through the mail slot at our 615 Ellice Ave. office or emailed to greenimage@spenceneighbourhood.org.



Community Clean Up 2022

Hi Folks! Just a heads up that our Community Clean Up in 2022 will be taking place in May!

Keep an eye out for it in our May newsletter, Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram)

and our website!



Website and Social Media

Website: www.spenceneighourhood.org

 $Face book: \ Spence Neighbourhood Association$

Twitter: SNAcommunity
Instagram: SNAcommunity



CHILDREN & YOUTH PROGRAMS

Building Belonging

Our School Year 2021-2022 program for ages 6-12 runs Monday to Friday 3:30-5:30pm, with a daily meal, structured activities and pickup from John M King and Sister Mac schools and walk home available. Programming will follow social distancing guidelines and spaces may be limited. During any program closures due to restrictions families in the Spence neighbourhood can register to receive weekly activity packages delivered until we are able to reopen. Registration forms are available at the M.E.R.C (430 Langside St.) or on the SNA website. Contact us at buildingbelonging@spenceneighbourhood.org.

Newcomer Youth/Youth Drop In Program

Our Youth - Newcomer Youth Drop In program is resuming in person programming! Youth ages 12-17 are welcome to come visit us from Monday to Friday from 6:30 pm until 9. Sports, arts and crafts, transportation, and a meal are provided every night.

We are also delivering Foods Around the World packages every two weeks. Have questions or want to register contact us at newcomer@spenceneighbourhood.org

Community Sports Program

We have Soccer at 5-7pm Tuesdays and Thursdays, and on Saturday from 12-1:30pm. We also have basketball at MERC for drop in every night 6:30-9 pm. We will be having a few different programs for sport coming soon.

Reach out to sport@spenceneighbourhood.org for additional information.

Youth Employment Hub

The **First Jobs 4 Youth** program is providing remote services. Applications are closed. 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 Contact Mel - WE24 manager at Email: mel@spenceneighbourhood.org

MORE WAYS TO ENGAGE WITH YOUR COMMUNITY Holistic Housing

SNA Homebuyer Assistance Program

For more information:

www.spenceneighbourhood.org/announcements/snhap All other programs are working remotely.

See advertisements for contact information for Homelessness Mentor, Rental Safety Coordinator, and Indigenous Input into Housing Coordinator

housing@spenceneighbourhood.org

204-783-5000 Ext. 105

Environment and Open Spaces

Repairs & Maintenance to Garden Spaces is ongoing. Our community greenhouse at 689 Maryland Ave is up and running! Open hours are from 4-6pm, every Thursday. If you wish to visit outside these hours, please contact greenhouse@spenceneighbourhood.org. Office hours are still limited. Please email greenimage@spenceneighbourhood.org for general inquiries or leave messages at: 204-783-5000 ext. 102

Community Advisors Wanted!

The Greenhouse project can only succeed if it is meeting the needs of the neighbourhood. We are seeking local residents to sit on an advisory council to help guide the direction of work at and around the greenhouse site. This will be a small group representing different elements such as youth, elders, gardeners & neighbours. The council will meet at least 4 times a year and a modest honorarium will be offered.

*If you identify as a youth or elder, we especially want to hear from you.

Email greenhouse@spenceneighbourhood.org if you are interested.

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

Community Connecting 615 Ellice Contact: Community Connector at 204-783-5000 ext.106 or safety@spenceneighbourhood.org Community Economic Development
365 McGee
Contact: Youth Employment Hub

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

Youth & Families
430 Langside
Contact: Youth Programs Manager at
mungala@spenceneighbourhood.org

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



