



Environment & Open Spaces Department

Lots happening over in your Environment & Open Spaces Department! In our Northern climate, with such a short growing season, starting seeds when there's still 2 feet of snow & the temperature is 20 below is always an act of faith.

In early March, we flipped the switch on the boiler that heats your community greenhouse. First seeds planted shortly after. Now, weeks later, there are many trays full of sprouts, soon to move into pots of their own. If you would like to help with the trans/planting, or just want a sneak peek, come by during greenhouse open hours, on Tuesdays between 10am-1pm. 689 Maryland, keep an eye out for our brand new bright red signage (thanks, Co-op!)

One stop for these plant babies is the annual Seedling Sale & Giveaway, happening this year on 27 May. More about that later. But, as always, community gardeners will get first dibs. So...

If you are thinking of community gardening this year, please get in touch! We have 8 or 9 gardens to choose from, throughout the Spence Neighbourhood (and beyond!) If you email the address below we can send you an application form, or call to find a time to meet in person. We will also have paper forms available at the MERC and offices at 615 Ellice Ave.

SAVE THE DATE: WEST END SPRING CLEANUP SATURDAY 13 MAY (rain day: 27 May)

Groups throughout the West End will be coordinating community cleanups. SNA's will centre on the MERC parking lot, starting at 12.30pm. There will be food, prizes & music. Come on down!

Contact greenhouse@spenceneighbourhood.org call (204) 783-2834 for more information, or to volunteer.



We are looking for folks interested in joining a "Housing Steering Committee"



THE PURPOSE OF THE STEERING COMMITTEE IS TO GATHER INFORMATION AND INPUT REGARDING HOUSING IN THE SPENCE NEIGHBOURHOOD AND ASSIST IN DEVELOPING A STRATEGIC HOUSING PLAN FOR ITS RESIDENTS, BUSINESS OWNERS AND THOSE WITH VESTED INTEREST.



If interested please contact Cheryl

Phone: (204) 881-8556

Email:

housing@spenceneighbourhood.org

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

**Mail Pick Up &
430 Langside (MERC)
Monday - Friday
10 am - 2 pm**

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COMMUNITY COMMITTEE MEETING
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
MELVIN@SPENCENEIGHBOURHOOD.ORG

NEWS

WE24 HOUSING OUTREACH WORKER

For participants of WE24



Get help with:

- Housing applications & searches
- EIA/ RTB Supports
- Resource Supports
- Tenant/ Landlord Support
- Pest Control Supports
- Support in obtaining Identifications
- Advocating for child welfare systems regarding placements

JEFFERSON

Daytime Hours @ 615 Ellice:
Monday & Tuesday 9am-5pm

On-site: 430 Langside St
Thursday & Friday 8pm- 3am



Cell: 204-998-3235



jefferson@spenceneighbourhood.org



Jefferson Spencehousing



RENTAL SAFETY COORDINATOR



Get help with:

- Eviction Support
- Tenant- Landlord Mediation
- RTB Support
- Hydro Arrears
- Bed Bug Support

...And more!

Monday - Fridays
9:30am-4:30pm



615 Ellice Ave

JASMYNE



Cell: 204-998-5993



Jasmyne Spence Rentalsafety



rentalsafety@spenceneighbourhood.org



** Please call, fb or email to book an appointment**

**YOUTH
DJ
workshop**

2023

facilitated by
**WORLD DMC CHAMPION
DJ BRACE**

REGISTRATION FORMS AVAILABLE AT THE
MERC (430 LANGSIDE) OR MAIL
APID@SPENCENEIGHBOURHOOD.ORG

Immigration, Réfugiés
et Citoyenneté Canada / Immigration, Refugees
and Citizenship Canada

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Donations Needed!

WE24

Jackets, Brand new underwear, Socks,
Shoes/Boots, Toothbrushes, Tooth Paste,
Deodorant, Soap, Razors
& Bottled Water.

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

or

contact Chantel at
donations@spenceneighbourhood.org

Thank You!

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 Cre

231 Isabel Street (Central Neighbourhoods):

Gang Action Interagency Network (GAIN)

350 Spence Street (Axworthy Health & RecPlex):

Community Sports Program

Email: liaison@spenceneighbourhood.org



RESOURCES

HOUSING DROP - IN WITH JASMINE

EVERY
WEDNESDAY
1:00PM-4:00PM
615 ELLICE AVE

DO YOU NEED HELP
WITH HOUSING
APPLICATIONS,
HELP WITH EIA,
IDENTIFICATION
REFERRALS
OR....
ANYTHING HOUSING
RELATED?

STOP BY AND CONNECT
WITH OUR
HOMELESSNESS
OUTREACH MENTOR
JASMINE



ARE YOU A WE24 PARTICIPANT
BETWEEN THE AGES OF 18-26?

NEED HOUSING HELP?



Stop in and see our Housing Outreach
Workers (HOW)
at 430 Langside
Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday
from 8-10 pm



Young Parents Employment Program

Are you a parent with a pre-school aged child?

Need paid training and experience for future employment?

Want to have your child nearby while working at no cost to you?

Start Date Tuesday, April 25th, 2023.

Every Tuesday and Thursday from 1 to 4 pm

Location: WestEnd Commons, 365 McGee Street

Age Requirement: 13 to 29 years old

EIA recipients welcome

Be prepared to Cook, Bake, and Clean in a kitchen.

Get training in Emergency First Aid & CPR, Food Handlers,
Workplace Safety & Health, WHMIS, professional identification,
and more.

Register by completing an application on our website

www.spenceneighbourhood.org

or by leaving your name and number at

204-219-5114



HOMELESSNESS OUTREACH MENTOR

Are you currently experiencing homelessness or
couch surfing?

Get help with:

- Housing Applications & Searches
- EIA Supports
- Identifications Supports
- Community Supports & Resources
- Health Services & Social Services Supports

Jasmine

Cell: 204-999-4485

Jasmine Spencehousing

row@spenceneighbourhood.org

Monday - Fridays
9am-4:30pm

615 Ellice Ave



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Programs

Building Belonging

Our School Year 2022-2023 program for ages 6-12 at the Magnus Eliason Recreation Centre (430 Langside St.) 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 or drive home available. Registration forms are available at the M.E.R.C or on the Spence Neighbourhood Association website. Contact us at buildingbelonging@spenceneighbourhood.org

Newcomer Youth/Youth Drop In Program

Newcomer Youth Program is in full swing! The program is dedicated for youths aged 12 - 18 years old who are residing around Spence neighbourhood. Join us for Basketball Clinic starting on April 3rd, which will be scheduled twice a week until the end of June. Arts and Cricut workshops are back in the program. We are also starting swimming lessons as well as girls night out every week. Culturally appropriate healthy meals will be available as well as drive home after the program. Get the registration forms or program calendar from MERC, 430 Langside. or email: apid@spenceneighbourhood.org.

Community Sports Program

Southside basketball academy is coming back monthly for clinics starting September 15, grade 7 and up, free to play soccer is still Tuesdays-Fridays ages 11-17 5-7 pm and under 11 Saturdays 12-1:30p.m.

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

We will be having a few different programs for Sport coming soon.

Youth Employment Hub

The **First Jobs 4 Youth** SNA's Youth Employment Hub's First Jobs 4 Youth is running our Winter 2022 Session starting in November. We will be taking 15 youths aged 18-29 who are not in school. Visit our website and fill out the application online or drop off at office room #102 West End Commons, 365 McGee Street or Email: FirstJobs4YouthCoordinator@spenceneighbourhood.org
Email: aaron@spenceneighbourhood.org

Youth Crew is open and is performing essential services at the West End 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

**RECEIVE UP TO
\$14,000
towards the purchase of
a home in Spence!**

Do you know a family with at least one dependent, who has not owned a home within the last five years?

They may be eligible for the new Spence Neighbourhood Homebuyer Assistance Program!

Help us find some new neighbors, and spread the word!

Conditions apply. For more information, visit the website below, or pick up an application form at 615 Ellice Ave (Mon/Wed/Fri, 12-5pm).

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 Coordinator at 204-801-6740 or firstjobs@spenceneighbourhood.org

Youth & Families

430 Langside

Contact: Youth Programs Manager at newcomer@spenceneighbourhood.org

Environment and Open Spaces

615 Ellice

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

