

NEWSLETTER

MARCH 2024



Housing Department

In the Housing Department at Spence Neighbourhood Association there are 3 main workers. There is the Housing Coordinator who is responsible for working with residents to solve housing issues, administering and supervising all housing initiatives and staff within the Holistic Housing Department.

The Homelessness Outreach Mentor assists individuals that are homeless by offering continuous support in finding a place to live until they feel they are ready to do it alone. Connections and networks are made around participants' needs. They provide assistance with EIA, Accessing emergency shelters, Food Security, Systems Navigation help, referrals to other support and housing agencies and continued support for existing HOM participants.

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



The Rental Safety Coordinator assists community members who are having issues with their landlords – and landlords who are having issues with their tenants. This mediator position ensures that all parties understand their rights and responsibilities and provides support with the goal of eviction prevention.

For more information, please contact jasmyne@spenceneighbourhood.org or Row@spenceneighbourhood.org



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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
MAURA@SPENCENEIGHBOURHOOD.ORG







New Indigenous Cultural Support and Program Coordinator

Boozhoo, my name is Cheryl Starr, my traditional name is Blue Horse Woman. I am an Anishinaabe woman from Sagkeeng First Nations and have held a few roles here at Spence Neighbourhood Association but I am most excited to be in this role as the Indigenous Cultural Support and Program Coordinator for Spence Neighbourhood! I did not grow up connected to Culture, so this is a great way for me to connect and learn alongside the community. I hope to bring cultural programming that will meet the needs of all Indigenous peoples living in the Spence Community, including First Nations, Metis and Inuit. In order to achieve this I will need your help. I would like to hear from you, as to what kind of Cultural programming you would like to see offered in the Spence Community. Please take a few minutes and fill out the survey included in this month's newsletter and return it to our office located at 615 Ellice or scan the QR code below.

Please watch our Social media pages for programing updates!





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 430 Langside Street (Magnus Eliasion Recreation Centre-

Gang Action Interagency Network (GAIN) 350 Spence Street (Axworthy Health & RecPlex): Community Sports Program Email: liaison@spenceneighbourhood.org





DONATIONS NEEDED

SNA's Housing Team is asking for donations of hygiene products such as: pads, tampons, deodorant, soap, shampoo & conditioner



For drop off or pick up arrangements please contact Jasmyne at 204-998-5993 or email rentalsafety@spenceneighbourhood.org

Donations Needed! WE24

Brand new underwear, Socks, Shoes Toothbrushes, Tooth Paste, Deodorant, Soap, Razors, Summer Clothes, Pads & bottled water.

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

contact Chantel at donations@spenceneighbourhood.org Thank You!

RENTAL

Eviction Prevention

Spence Neighbourhood Association is partnered with Sleep Country and created a program to provide gently used mattresses & box springs to Spence community members to help people stay in their homes comfortably and prevent them from entering into homelessness.

Please contact Jasmyne at 204-219-5126 asmyne@spenceneighbourhood.org for any questions



SleepCountry

WE ALSO HELP WITH ...

SNA's Housing Team can assist participants community members with opening a FREE bank account at Assiniboine Credit Union. (need 1-2 pieces of I.D., the application & a voucher)

> For more info Contact Jasmyne 204-998-5993

Anita: 204 999-4485



Spence Neighbourhood



Spence Neighbourhood Association

Please Join us for our **Annual General Meeting**

March 19th, 2024 430 Langside Street

Starts at 5:30 with a meal.

Walking Wolf Singers will open the event.

AGM begins at 6 pm.



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Building Belonging

Our School Year 2023-2024 after-school 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 MacNamara schools and walk or drive home available. Kids can sign up for our Spring Break programming March 25-28 from 12-3pm with outings, lunch and pickup available from home.

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 dedicated for youths aged 12 - 18 years old who are residing around Spence neighbourhood. Our school-year hours run Monday to Friday from 6:30pm - 9pm with daily healthy meals and drive home. Youth program offers WMBA basketball league, DJ workshop, mental health workshops, online gaming and more

Get the registration forms or program calendar from MERC, 430 Langside. or email: apid@spenceneighbourhood.org.

Community Sports Program

Currently SNA Sport has a Free to Play Soccer Program during the week with 2 age groups.

Ages 9-11 (Minis) And 12-18 (Youth). Both of these programs are a perfect way to engage in

Up tempo, high level, training to polish your soccer skills and learn new ones.

Basketball 4 All has also began weekly programming. This is a basketball program for anyindividuals looking to learn and participate in organized basketball training.

If you have any questions about any of these programs please contact Ethan at

Sport@Spenceneighbourhood.org

Youth Employment Hub

The Spence Neighbourhood Association's Youth Employment Hub - for more information regarding the First Jobs 4 Youth Program, the Youth Crew program or the Young Parents Employment Program, please contact Leslie at 204 801 6740 or email firstjobs@spenceneighbourhood.org

Youth Crew

For Youth Crew Services including catering, flyer delivery and yard care, please contact Lesliei at 204 801 6740 or email :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 summer - WE24 manager at Email: <u>summer@spenceneighbourhood.org</u>

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Holistic Housing
615 Ellice
Contact: Housing Coordinator at
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housing@spenceneighbourhood.org

Executive Director
615 Ellice
Contact: Executive Director at 204 997-7558
or michele@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@speceneighbourhood.org

Environment and Open Spaces
615 Ellice
Contact: EOS Coordinator at
204-783-2834
greenhouse@spenceneighbourhood.org



