




August 2022 Newsletter

MEETINGS	Committee Meetings <i>virtual until further notice</i>	Community Meetings <i>22 Orlin Ave SE, PPUMC</i>
<p><i>For the most up-to-date list of meetings please check the PPA Calendar. All committee meetings are taking place virtually unless otherwise noted.</i></p> <p>ABOUT PPA Prospect Park Association is the official neighborhood association for the Prospect Park Area of the city of Minneapolis.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Donate to PPA</p>  <p>Prospect Park Association is a 501(c)(3) charitable organization, and all donations are tax-deductible.</p>	<p>Community Building Committee Thursday August 4. 4:30pm</p> <p>Environment Committee Tuesday August 9. 6:30pm</p> <p>Finance & Administration Committee Thursday August 11. 6:00pm</p> <p>Land Use & Planning Committee Thursday August 11. 7:00pm</p> <p>Transportation & Safety Committee Wednesday, August 10, 7:30pm</p>	<p>PPA Board Meeting & Community Meeting --virtual meeting-- Monday August 22nd 6:30pm - 8:00pm <i>Note: access info on PP-elist</i></p> <p><i>All Community Members are welcome!</i></p> <p>Management Council <i>Sets Community & Board Meeting Agendas</i> Monday, August 15, 7pm</p>

GET INVOLVED!

[PPA Event Calendar for Updated Meeting Information](#)

Proposed New PPA Bylaws

PPA's Board of Directors will vote to adopt new bylaws on August 22nd 2022. [Click here to read the proposed new bylaws, including descriptions of major changes.](#) PPA's proposed bylaws were reviewed by Birken Law, a firm specializing in nonprofit law, and meet requirements established by Neighborhood Community Relations (NCR) for neighborhood organizations. [PPA's current bylaws are here.](#)
Email finance@prospectparkmpls.org if you have questions.

PPA Board/Community Meeting and Approved Minutes

Upcoming PPA Board/Community Meeting:

All community members welcome! **Monday, August 22, 2022, 6:30-8:30pm**
Virtual meeting access and the board agenda will be provided in PPA's upcoming newsletter and on the ppe-list.

PPA Meeting Minutes and Committee Reports approved at the June 27 Board meeting:

[Annual Meeting & Board Election, May 9, 2022](#)

[Transportation & Safety and Land Use, July 13, 2022](#)

[Board/Community Meeting, June 27, 2022](#)

Donate to Prospect Park Association

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[Please donate to PPA at GiveMN](#) or mail checks to PPA, P.O. Box 141095, Minneapolis 55414.



Block of E River Pkwy between SE Franklin Ave & SE Thornton St will be closed in August and September

One block of East River Parkway between SE Franklin Avenue and SE Thornton Street closes to motorized vehicles from Monday, August 1st through Friday, September 30th. The adjacent trails will remain open. The closure is necessary for a sewer cleaning and maintenance project by the Metropolitan Council. The Minneapolis Park and Recreation Board appreciates the public's patience while our infrastructure is repaired and maintained.

Join us for an “Electrifying” Bike Ride through Luxton Park / Glendale August 9th, during Luxton’s Summer Celebration!



BF50 Indigenous Health is heading back to Luxton Park to finally complete the Bike/Tree Tour. We had a lot of community members from Glendale who signed up for the bike tour and discounted Nice Ride Membership at Luxton’s Jazz Mobile Event.

In order for us to order the right amount of Electric Bikes & Helmets; everyone must purchase a FREE Ticket through [Eventbrite](https://www.eventbrite.com/e/385802334167) prior to the event. Upon purchasing a ticket they’ll receive a Nice Ride Waiver. Once the waiver is completed, they’ll be confirmed to ride the E-bikes. <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/385802334167>



Thank You, BF50 Wellness Team

BrittFit50 Indigenous Health 4th Street Festival!



BrittFit50 Indigenous Health
Presents National Night Out 2022!
4th Street Community Festival

Tuesday, August 2nd at 5:30PM

Agenda - MC: Lupe

- 5:30: Opening - Aztec Danza, Honoring Indigenous Lands, Aztec Danza
- 5:40: Welcome & Introductions - Lupe
- 5:45: Spoken Word Presentations
- 5:53: Introduce Lupe & CM Wansley - Britt
- 5:55: Council Member Robin Wansley
- 6:05: Standup Comedian Jennifer
- 6:10: The Market at Malcolm Yards, Moly
- 6:15: Jazz Artist - Sophie Javie
- 6:20: Biking Basics & Bike Tour - Tami T.
- 6:30: HeartSpeaks Pop-up Poetry - Lupe
- 6:30: Garden Presentation- Rebecca
- 6:45: Community Bingo - Jay/The Pillars
- 7:00: Bingo Winners Prize Announcements
- 7:10: Hula-Fit Contest - J'Quan/BF50
- 7:30: Dancing in The Streets - Community
- 7:45: Closing/ Street Breakdown - Volunteer

- Taco Bar 🌮🍷
- Fun for Everyone!
- MP3B Pop-Up Park
- Community Bingo
- Kids Play Area
- Bike Safety/Bike Tour
- Fire Safety 🚒
- Hula-Fit Contest
- Dancing in The Street 🕺🕴🕶🕶

Contact: UrbanFarmDirect@gmail.com

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HeartSpeaks

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Local Resource Tables!

Rethink I-94!

E-Bikes & Scooters!

Good Eats & Treats!

Aztec Danza!

Jazz Vocalist!

Spoken Word Artists!

BF50 Wellness Team!

MC: DJ MaTrisBeats!



our
streets

MPLS

#BikingWithAPurpose 🚲 Wednesday, August 17th
BF50 Indigenous Health is partnering with Our Streets MPLS!

RETHINK I-94 Community Engagement Bike Tour
Starting at Towerside Park - 2905 4th Street SE, MPLS!
Presentation by Our Streets MPLS plus
Community Conversations with Community Members
& CM Robin Wonsley at Chergosky Park
201 Seymour Ave, SE, MPLS

Save The Date: August 17th @ 3:30PM

If you need a Bike or Helmet
Contact BF50 Wellness Team:
UrbanFarmDirect@gmail.com

BF50 Indigenous Health is having their 2nd Annual 4th Street Festival during National Night Out, August 2, 2022!

Where: 2909 4th Street SE Minneapolis, MN 55414

Time: 5:30 - 8:00PM

Pop-Up Park & Garden Presentation: 2905 4th St. SE Minneapolis, MN 55414 at Towerside Park

<https://www.eventbrite.com/e/346992743637>

Stop by & meet 4th Street Community Members, chat with CM Robin Wonsley & Staff, check out the Local Resource Tables & learn more about the Rethink I-94 Project from our friends at Our Streets Mpls! We've added a Bike Basics/Adult Learn to bike session, plus a Community Bike Ride. Bring your bikes! If you'd like to try out an Electric bike or Scooter; Contact BF50 Wellness Team: UrbanFarmDirect@gmail.com

More National Night Out Gatherings in Prospect Park

Our neighborhood joins Minneapolis and other cities across the country in get-togethers of residents with their neighbors for this social event to meet and greet newcomers, catch up with the news of other neighbors, and share food and beverages.

Block organizers are planning their events. You may already have heard from them or seen notices about events on your block. Most of our neighborhood's block groups meet on August 2, the date when National Night Out is observed across the U.S. A few blocks choose to gather at other dates.

Corner of Melbourne and Seymour

Tuesday, August 2nd, 6:00pm - 9:00pm

The block between Seymour and Barton will be closed off for this annual event. We will primarily be located on the corner of Melbourne and Seymour. We will have some light refreshments and beverages. Please feel free to bring what you'd like for yourself and others. If you'd like to sit while here feel free to bring a chair as seats will be limited. If you have any questions please feel free to email Marco/Block Captain at mcscreativesolutions@gmail.com or call/text (612) 840-3258

Mid-Arthur Avenue

Tuesday August 2nd, 5:30pm - 8:30pm at 102-106 SE Arthur Ave

1. Enjoy shelter in Doug V.'s party tent.
2. Meet each other — our neighbors!
3. Snack on light food (pot luck); (optional)
4. "Refresh" on iced tea or organic Lemonade (provided)
5. Pick up revised block club phone list + new nhood info
6. Bring a folding chair if you can.

SE Malcolm Ave - Lower SE Arthur Ave - SE Williams Ave

Tuesday, August 2nd, 6-8 pm on the lawn at 150 SE Malcolm Ave

We will host a potluck. Please bring your own plates, cutlery and chairs or a picnic blanket. Cups, beverages and napkins will be provided. We hope to see you there. Rain date/Heat index date: August 3rd. Block contact: beth.ljungstrom@gmail.com

Corner of SE Bedford and SE Orlin

Tuesday, August 2, starting at 6pm at the Corner of SE Bedford and SE Orlin.

The street will be closed off from the triangle at Orlin and Melbourne to the corner of Bedford and Orlin for a potluck dinner. Great opportunity to see old friends and to meet

new ones! Please bring a potluck contribution, serving utensils (if needed), your own plate/eating utensils, drink, and lawn chair. If you'd like to grill something, we are happy to start up our gas grill for you. If you would like to make a contribution to the Glendale Food Shelf, you can bring your non-perishable items, and we will get them to the Food Shelf. Traditionally, this has been a gathering for those who live on Bedford between University and Franklin, on Orlin from Emerald up to Seymour, on Melbourne from Orlin to Seymour, and on Clarence, but anyone can join in the fun. We know that a few of our neighbors have moved to the Pillars and other locales, and we'd love to have you back! Looking forward to another great turn out. Block club leader is Brooke at magidhart@gmail.com

Block party at 'The Oval' (NW corner of SE Bedford St and SE Franklin Ave)

***Date: August 16, 6pm - 9pm**

Potluck, Kids talent show, fun. Planning committee would like some help. Please contact: Seth (612-670-4906) or werne062@umn.edu

Glendale Food Shelf



If you have an overabundance of vegetables from your garden or CSA, please consider running them over to the Glendale Food Shelf. For their hours and location, see <https://www.esns.org/foodprograms>

Eastside Meals on Wheels Volunteer Search

Eastside Meals on Wheels has grown 75% since the start of the pandemic. It's always a challenge to



find enough delivery drivers, but especially in summers and with this amount of growth!

Relying on volunteers helps us serve older adults low to no-cost meals and helps them remain in their own homes longer. Delivering is a great feel-good activity. <https://www.volunteermatch.org/search/opp3372794.jsp> Call 612-277-2529 Email Bradley@eastsidemeals.org.



Building a Resilient Community

Community Safety Through Community Building

Upcoming Connecting Como - Building a Resilient Community event dates with free produce distributions:

- Thursday, August 25th, 5-7pm, Van Cleve Park:** August's event topic is still relatively open, and will be adapted to focus on the needs and interests of the community. + Free produce distribution! *What do you want to learn about? Share your ideas with julian@secomo.org.*
- Wednesday, September 14th, 4-6pm, Location TBD:** September's Event will focus on Mental Health and resiliency. The date will be chosen to coincide with the arrival of new student residents into our neighborhood. + Free produce distribution!



For more information or to get involved, contact julian@secomo.org or jessica@secomo.org.

<p>Serie "Construyendo una comunidad resiliente" con distribución gratuita de alimentos</p> <p>¡Será un restaurante en nuestro barrio! Lunes, 25 agosto • 5-7pm • Van Cleve Park</p> <p>¿Qué tema quiere ver USTED? Lunes, 25 agosto • 5-7pm • Van Cleve Park</p> <p>¿Qué otros temas de seguridad y bienestar de la comunidad quieren escuchar? ¡Por favor, saber en secomo@secomo.org!</p> <p>Salud mental y reducción de daños Miércoles, 14 septiembre • 4-6pm • Lugar por determinar</p> <p>Reserva actividades con anticipación al través de SECA.</p>	<p>Taxarvaha "Dhinda Bulcho Aday" oo leh qaybta wax soo saar bilaash ah</p> <p>Caalimada San Celera Xaafadaha min. Lunes, 25 • 5-7pm • Van Cleve Park</p> <p>muuqaalka ayaa rakhira inaad aragto? Khamiis, Sebte 21 • 5-7pm • Van Cleve Park</p> <p>Waa maay muuqaalka kale ah oo badanista iyo howrarka bulshada ee ad rakhira inaad hadda? Haga qaybta secomo@secomo.org</p> <p>Caalimada Markaha Iyo Dhawaaqa Woxaynta</p> <p>Jirbaa, Tokmabar 18 • 4-6 galabnimo • Caalimada</p> <p>Hil waal caad ah ee adka oo ka dhacaynta waxarvaha SECA</p>	<p>مجلسة "بناء مجتمع مرين" مع توزيع مجاني للمنتجات</p> <p>العدالة التضامنية في أحيانا</p> <p>الخميس 25 يونيو - 5-7 مساءً - Van Cleve Park</p> <p>ما الموضوع الذي تريد مناقشته؟</p> <p>الخميس 21 أغسطس - 5-7 مساءً - Van Cleve Park</p> <p>يا في موضوعات السلامة والطاقة المجتمعية التي التي تريد أن نسمع عنها المجتمع؟ ان شاء الله secomo@secomo.org</p> <p>الصحة العقلية وتقليل الضرر</p> <p>الأربعاء 14 سبتمبر - 4-6 مساءً - الموقع يتحدد</p> <p>احفظ على الأحداث من خلال الاشتراك في صفحة الـfacebook لـ SECA</p>
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Do you have a financial goal you want to reach? Getting started can feel overwhelming, but you don't have to walk your financial journey alone.

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Are you unbanked or unhappily banked? Have you been turned away from other banks? Check out our FAIR Financial Solution!

In our increasingly cashless economy, digital banking tools are more important than ever. We can work with you to open a low-cost, safe bank account. All enrollment appointments are conducted over Zoom video conferencing (a computer, tablet, or smartphone with video capability is required). FAIR Banking (Financial Access in Reach) offers checking, savings, and credit builder accounts that are designed to work for you **no matter your banking history***, income, and/or how often you get paid. FAIR was developed hand-in-hand with consumers and nonprofits; each product has predictable fees and no overdraft penalties, so you can manage your money and build your credit. **If you've been turned away from other banks, FAIR might be a fit for you!** Learn more and apply [here](#).

*Prior bank fraud activity excluded.

Questions? Contact: David Langley, Engagement Manager
david@prepareandprosper.org, 651-262-2158

This August- Join the Hennepin County Stop Food Waste Challenge

The online Stop Food Waste Challenge, hennepinfoodwaste.ecochallenge.org, will take place August 1-31. This challenge will help participants learn more about why food goes to waste in their household and improve skills in cooking, planning, shopping, and storage. With more than 40 actions to choose from in five categories, participants can commit to taking actions that will have the biggest impact for them. Participants get email updates with resources and tips for taking action and opportunities to connect and share with others. Participants can create or join a team to take the challenge along with their family, friends, or neighbors.

Be part of the solution – join the Stop Food Waste Challenge



Do you want to learn easy, practical skills that will help you stop wasting food, put more money in your pocket, and combat climate change? Join the Stop Food Waste Challenge this August!

How to join:

1. Visit hennepinfoodwaste.ecochallenge.org and sign up
2. Join or start a team
3. Choose your actions
4. Encourage others to join!



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HomeHelpMN Application Period Closes August 17



If you are behind on your mortgage or worried about foreclosure due to the pandemic, HomeHelpMN from Minnesota Housing may be able to help. Visit [HomeHelpMN.org](https://www.HomeHelpMN.org) or call 1-800-388-3226 to learn how you can get ready to apply.

¿Se encuentra atrasado con los pagos del préstamo de vivienda debido a la pandemia? HomeHelpMN de Minnesota Housing puede tener asistencia financiera para usted. Visite [HomeHelpMN.org](https://www.HomeHelpMN.org) o llame al 1-800-388-3226.

Ma ka welweleysaa in guriga lagaala wareego? HomeHelpMN oo ka socota Minnesota Housing ayaa kugu caawin karta lacagta amaahda guriga. Booqo [HomeHelpMN.org](https://www.HomeHelpMN.org) ama soo garaac 1-800- 388-3226.

Tom qab ntawm nqi vaj tsev? Lub HomeHelpMN hauv Minnesota Housing nyob ntawm no txhawm rau yuav los pab koj them nqi vaj tsev los sis txhawj xeeb txog kev raug kaw vim muaj kab mob sib kis. Mus saib tau rau ntawm [HomeHelpMN.org](https://www.HomeHelpMN.org) los sis hu rau 1-800-388-3226.

Drivers needed in our neighborhood!

To provide the needed services for older adults in our neighborhood, we rely on support from people like you! Currently, we are seeking volunteers to provide rides to medical appointments and for essential errands. For more information, please call us at 612-331-2302 or email Ann Carter, Volunteer Coordinator, at

ann@seseniors.org.

Southeast Seniors is seeking volunteers for occasional yard work – trimming bushes, weeding, and other light yard chores. If you enjoy working outside and want to make a difference in your community, please consider this opportunity. Volunteer whenever you are available. For more information, contact Ann Carter at ann@seseniors.org or 612-331-2302.



SE Seniors/Arvonne Fraser Library Book Club Discussion Tuesday, August 30 1–2 pm, Held virtually via Zoom *The Dutch House* by Ann Patchett



There's still plenty of time to sign up if you're interested, and no cost to participate! The library provides copies of each book title for participants to borrow.

REGISTER or GET information

- call Southeast Seniors at 612-331-2302
- email info@seseniors.org

When you contact us, please provide us with your name, phone number, and email address and please let us know whether you'd like to borrow a book, and we can arrange home delivery.



Article #4 in a series of articles about the 2022 Midterm Elections, brought to you by the League of Women Voters (LWV) Minneapolis.

The primary election is **Tuesday, August 9** and the general election is **Tuesday, November 8**. You can find important 2022 election information, including key dates and races, at <https://lwvmpls.org/for-voters/>.

LWV offers a variety of resources and services including

- Voter registration – support with getting people registered and/or verifying registration
- Voter education (vote411.org) – information about how & where to vote
- Voter guide – in-depth information about voter registration and who is running for office

WE’VE CAST OUR BALLOTS, THEN WHAT?

We’ve thought hard about the candidates and slipped our ballots into the voting machine onelection day. We’ve done our part. Now it’s up to others to make sure our votes are safe.

The first persons we encounter at the polls are the election judges, there to help us through the voting process – from registering and verifying eligibility to actually depositing the ballots. They are usually citizens from the neighborhood, chosen based on their experience and sometimes language skills. Judges are affiliated with a variety of major parties, or they may be unaffiliated. Certain tasks at the polls need to be performed by two people of different parties. All judges receive specific training to do their jobs and are sworn in to be impartial.

When voting at the polls ends at 8 pm on election night, the election judges at each of Minneapolis’ 137 precincts bring materials to the city clerk staff at two receiving sites. It’s a meticulous process, as election judges there check and re-check that the precinct judges have signed off on every item returned, such as envelopes containing election day registrations, number of spoiled ballots, and ballots themselves. Also included are tapes containing numerical results and a memory stick, a kind of thumb drive, which registers the number of votes in each category. Absentee ballots are entered into a high-speed tabulator starting seven days before election day.

Memory sticks from all the machines are sent to Hennepin County where certified staff handle the ballot information on them and submit unofficial vote totals to the Secretary of State's office. These unofficial results are posted on election night or shortly thereafter by the State and also on the Minneapolis elections website. Results are official only after they are approved by a canvassing board, officials who review and approve results. This usually occurs in the weeks following an election

So, what happens to our ballots while this process is going on? They, along with other materials collected from the precincts, are organized by ward and precinct and locked safely in a vault at Minneapolis elections headquarters. Should there be a question about voting results, or if a vote is so close that Minnesota law demands a recount, the paper ballots provide a necessary backup. The memory sticks are securely stored at Hennepin County Elections offices.

Much work goes into the election before actual voting day. Ballots for early voting must be prepared and sent to verified recipients. Ballots and voting machines must be tested and sent to the precincts. State law demands a public test of voting machines 14 days prior to election. At least two election judges from different parties certify the accuracy of the tabulators.

After every state general election, the county performs a post-election review of results returned by the optical scan ballot counters. The review is a hand count of the ballots in randomly selected precincts compared with the results from the voting system used. For local elections, city officials perform a similar random audit.

Everyone's vote matters. Our election officials are dedicated to ensuring every vote is safe, secure, and counted.

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- [Click to subscribe to MN Representative Mohamud Noor's 60B newsletter](#)
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Helpful COVID-19 Resources

Governor Walz' Response and Preparation

[Click here for updated Covid-19 news from Governor Walz](#)

Free Covid-19 Testing Hennepin County

[Click here](#) for information on FREE testing open to those with or without symptoms

Additional Resources

[City of Minneapolis](#)

[MN Department of Health](#)

[Center for Disease Control \(CDC\)](#)

[World Health Organization \(WHO\)](#)

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