**General Meeting: Wednesday, March 20th, 2019 at 7pm at 690 13th Ave Logan Park**

**Childcare Provided**

**Agenda: LPNA Priorities Plan Vote, Guest Speaker from Spark-Y**

Over 30 project ideas were presented at the LPNA General meeting on 11/28. The Priorities Committee assembled a priority package, incorporating feedback and ideas from the community.

The community will vote on the plan at the March General Meeting. See the Priority Plan in its entirety on the last page of the newsletter.

**Upcoming Meetings:**
- Monroe Street Resurfacing Project, Wednesday March 13th, 6:30pm @ Logan Park, hosted by City of Minneapolis
- LPNA General Meeting, Wednesday March 20th, 7pm @ Logan Park

**Monroe Street Resurfacing Project**

The Minneapolis City Council is considering a street resurfacing project on Monroe Street NE. The construction is expected to begin during the summer of 2019. The project is in the Holland and Logan Park neighborhoods.

The proposed work is part of the Public Works ongoing street improvement program. The purpose of the project is to extend the life of this street in this area by overlaying it with a new layer of asphalt. Doing this will delay more time consuming and expensive fixes to this street in future years.

The Department of Public Works will hold an informational meeting in your neighborhood to address any questions that you may have about this project.

The meeting will be held on Wednesday, March 13 6:30 PM @ Logan Community Center.

If you have any questions about assessments on this project, please contact the Special Assessments Office at 612-673-2401. If you have any questions about construction on this project, please email Chris.Trembath@minneapolismn.gov.

**Ward One Community Forum: Transportation Action Plan**

Minneapolis Public Works is in the process of developing the Minneapolis Transportation Action Plan, a 10-year plan to guide future planning, design and implementation of transportation projects in our city. Transportation Planning staff will share information about the plan, the development process and timeline and hear your input.

Wednesday, April 3, 6 – 7:30 p.m., Northeast Library, 2200 Central Avenue NE
Register for pasta-making class at Northeast Recreation Center

The Northeast Recreation Center is offering a fun, family-friendly, hands-on cooking class for adults and their children during Minneapolis Public Schools Spring Break.

Family Pasta-Making Class will teach kids and their parents or guardians how to knead, roll and form fresh pasta and make a homemade tomato sauce. Learn a new skill and enjoy a handmade meal in Northeast Recreation Center's new learning kitchen.

When: Thursday, April 4, 2019, 6-8 pm
Where: Northeast Recreation Center, 1530 Johnson St. NE
Cost: $35 for one Adult and one Child.
Additional children $15 each.
Register Online: Family Pasta-Making Class Registration

Call 612-230-4920 or email northeast@minneapolisparks.org with any questions.

Public Comment Open Until March 31st on Neighborhoods 2020 Framework Recommendations

Since 2016, NCR has been meeting with community leaders, neighborhood organizations and elected officials about the role that the neighborhood organization system and NCR should play in meeting the needs of our growing city in 2020 and moving forward. This project is called Neighborhoods 2020.

The Neighborhoods 2020 Framework Recommendations is a policy document that outlines the recommendations from these meetings, with input from three work groups, and is now open for public comment through March 31, 2019.

How to comment

- Text message or voicemail: (612) 440-5762
- Español: (612) 404-2978
- Soomaaliga: (612) 440-8317
- Hmoob: (612) 440-6489

Email: neighborhoods2020@minneapolismn.gov

Postal mail addressed to: Neighborhood and Community Relations, 105 5th Ave South, Suite 425 Minneapolis, MN 55401
Spark-Y
Spark-Y's mission is to empower youth through hands-on education rooted in sustainability and entrepreneurship. Their dedicated staff operate three interconnected branches of their mission: school programs, an annual summer internship, and the Urban Agriculture Lab (UAL). Spark-Y’s unique approach to education instills leadership skills in students as they construct and maintain real-world sustainable farming systems such as aquaponics, gardens, and greenhouses. Of their 12 active school partners throughout the Twin Cities, they currently operate three daily programs at Edison High School. They are proud to support one of the first garden-to-cafeteria programs in Minneapolis Public Schools.

There are plenty of ways to get involved. There is a free monthly Volunteer Training and they offer interactive tours of our facility in the Casket Arts Building, Suite 101.

To RSVP for the Volunteer Training, please contact Lynn.H@spark-y.org.
To schedule a tour, please contact Caitlin@spark-y.org.

Logan Park Home Improvement
Loans, Emergency Loans, and Home Energy Audits

The Logan Park Neighborhood Association has made Neighborhood Revitalization Program (NRP) funds available to provide low interest and emergency loans to homeowners in the Logan Park neighborhood.

We also offer reduced cost Home Energy Audits.

Please call 612-335-5884 or visit www.mncee.org for complete details.

Free Tax Prep

Prepare + Prosper is a community-based nonprofit organization that has more than 41 years of experience providing free tax and financial services to low and moderate-income taxpayers in the Twin Cities’ area.

Prepare + Prosper is dedicated to providing high quality tax preparation and related financial services to individuals and families of limited means by leveraging volunteer resources and advising and assisting others to provide similar services in their communities.

Taxes are prepared by IRS-certified volunteers who are passionate about taxes and will get you the maximum refund.

Contact Prepare+Prosper to see if you qualify! Call 651-287-0187 or visit prepareandprosper.org/.

LPNA Seeks Fundraising Committee Members

LPNA is looking for dedicated individuals to help manage our annual Indeed Fundraising Event. The fundraising committee would help promote the event, organize the bingo component, and seek prize donations.

If interested, please contact loganparkna@aol.com.

Northeast Winter Market

Support local food vendors and artisans throughout the Winter months at the Northeast Winter Market!

The last winter market is:
Sunday, March 17th, 10am-2pm
Solar Arts by Chowgirls (third floor)
711 15th Ave NE, Minneapolis, MN 55413

Conversation with Council Member Kevin Reich

Meet up with Kevin to offer input, share a concern or just say hello. No appointment necessary.

Tuesday, March 12, 8:30 - 9:30 a.m., Diamonds Coffee, 1618 Central Ave NE

Monday, March 25, 5:30 – 6:30 p.m., Insight Brewing, 2821 East Hennepin Avenue
Logan Park Neighborhood Association Priorities Plan
Draft approved by the LPNA priorities committee 02/05/2019
Draft passed by the LPNA board 02/06/2019

Projects and programs may include, but are not limited to:

INFRASTRUCTURE/ARTS $80,000
The #1 priority from our neighborhood survey was Infrastructure. Specifically, we identified the need for pedestrian, street and park safety. We would like to see traffic calming, crosswalk safety and increased lighting in a few specific areas. Being at the heart of the Arts District, we propose to combine these needed infrastructure projects with an artistic touch to create and celebrate a unique sense of community.

- Work with the city and railroad to install an artistic lighting/mural art project under train bridges to improve the pedestrian experience
- Partner with our vibrant arts community to install murals and other artistic components that can help calm traffic and support place making goals.
- Partner with the park board and arts community to create an artistic lighting project in the park.
- Use a community event to install artful crosswalks and community pavement painting to improve pedestrian street safety.
- Leverage our Logan Legacy Taskforce to ensure the Quincy Street reconstruction includes our goals of safety, placemaking, and usability.
- Work with the city and the Broadway Street Taskforce to improve safety on Broadway.
- Work with city and residents to expand historic-style street lighting within the neighborhood to increase street and pedestrian safety.
- Work with the city of Minneapolis to replace crumbling sidewalks.

PARK RELATED PROJECTS $55,000
Logan Park is the hub of our neighborhood, used by most residents. Our goal is to ensure the success of our park and improve its usability.

- Partner with local youth organizations to build a timber framed pavilion.
- Add additional shade structures to the new wading pool.
- Add an artistic and educational element to the park to mark the 45th parallel.
- Partner with MPRB staff to identify and fund park equipment and programs.
- Stay actively involved with the park redesign and the use of dedicated park funds.

ENVIRONMENT $15,000
Environmental issues were the second priority from our survey. LPNA is dedicated to doing our part to protect our environment.

- Increase pollinators by partnering with local groups to create a rooftop apiary.
- Reduce water pollution with a rain garden program and explore a boulevard reseeding program.
- Reduce energy consumption with our Home Energy Audit program.
- Investigate energy efficient options for lighting improvements.
- Install air quality monitors at various points around the neighborhood.

HOUSING $10,000 + Existing CEE funds
Housing was the third priority from our survey. We have a home improvement revolving loan and grant program through CEE started with NRP funds. We will be reviewing the current activity and program status and consider moving funding from the Program Income to current proposals.

- Improve neighborhood appearance with a grant program for front of home improvements.
- Review alternatives to our home loan and grant programs to find programs with best impact.
- Connect with home improvement and renters’ programs offered by the city and non-profit organizations.

PARTNERSHIPS, OUTREACH, AND PROJECT MANAGEMENT $35,000
Community members proposed several community building and community service projects that would provide opportunities for neighbors to gather together, learn skills, increase knowledge, and for LPNA to develop partnerships with local neighborhood resources and organizations.

- Develop a community event for the Logan Park Neighborhood in order to engage and connect with the community.
- Develop senior programs to help with lawn raking, shoveling and support for aging in place.
- Host a series of livability classes to improve quality of life.
- Partner with the NE Tool Library to host home improvement classes.
- Improve our neighborhood engagement with staff community outreach.
- Promote LPNA by welcoming new neighbors.
- Contract a project manager / administrator to help facilitate successful projects in all categories.