General Meeting: Wednesday, June 19th 2019 at 7pm at 690 13th Ave Logan Park
Childcare Provided

Agenda:  Homeowner Navigation Program, Senator Dziedzic –Session Updates, Priorities Plan Updates

The Homeowner Navigation Program
Since 2013, the City of Minneapolis Homeowner Navigator Program (HNP) has assisted low-income seniors, veterans, and disabled homeowners in addressing open housing orders, deferred property maintenance and in-home safety hazards using a variety of community resources. To do this, the City partners with community groups, government, non-profit organizations, and homeowners to remedy housing violations and safety issues. Some of partners include:

- City of Minneapolis department of Community Planning and Economic Development (CPED)
- Neighborhood organizations
- TC Habitat for Humanity (A Brush With Kindness program)
- City of Lakes Community Land Trust (CLCLT)
- Rebuilding Together
- Hearts & Hammers
- Tree Trust
- Hennepin County
- Center for Energy and Environment (CEE)

Homeowner Navigation Grant Fund Pilot Program
After identifying some clients have needs that can’t be fully addressed by existing community resources, HNP navigators came up with the idea to launch a one-time grant that HNP clients could apply for to replace a non-working appliance or address another emergency City violation that may cause the homeowner to lose their home. These grants would be only used when all other existing resources have been exhausted.

The Homeowner Navigation Grant Fund will be administered by partner organization Twin Cities Habitat for Humanity. In addition to managing the grant fund, Habitat will help the homeowner complete the repair which is often the most difficult part of the job for the homeowner. The fund will provide grants up to $3,000 to seniors, veterans, and disabled homeowners for emergency mechanical systems, gap funding in larger projects where nonprofits are willing to help but require a match or contribution and the homeowner does not resources to contribute or other emergency situations. Qualified Minneapolis HNP homeowners will only be able to apply once every 12 months. With neighborhood organizations help, this pilot fund will help up to 25 vulnerable Minneapolis residents stay safely in their communities and in their most affordable housing option – their current home.

The Homeowner Navigation Program and Habitat are currently in the process of reaching out to neighborhood associations to talk about the need and to raise $50,000.00 in funds to support the pilot program. The program has already received commitments from other neighborhoods that have allowed it to move forward with the launch, which is expected in June just in time for high season of needed repairs/maintenance of homes, but it has not yet met its goal.
Logan Park History Project
The Logan Park History Project seeks to engage history buffs and curious neighbors to create "Logan Park Neighborhood: The Living Museum". Our goal is to create a visual timeline history of the neighborhood with a multi media outreach.

If interested in working in this project, please email loganparkna@aol.com

Logan Park Home Loans
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.

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.

Paula Allan Honored by the City of Minneapolis
Long time Board Member, Paula Allan, received an award from the City of Minneapolis for her many years of service to Logan Park Neighborhood Association and her cheerful and tireless dedication to her neighbors, her community, and her city.

Apply to serve on the Parks for All Community Advisory Committee
The Minneapolis Park and Recreation Board (MPRB) just launched “Parks for All,” a new comprehensive planning process that will set its priorities and policy direction for the next decade.

Parks for All will engage Minneapolis residents and park users, along with MPRB staff and commissioners, over the next two years to shape the future direction of Minneapolis’ park and recreation system. www.minneapolisparks.org

Logan Park Bylaws Approved
LPNA passed a new set of bylaws at the May 15th Annual Meeting. The new bylaws can be found on our website, loganparkneighborhood.org.
LPNA Outreach Committee
Logan Park Neighborhood Association is seeking neighbors interested to join a newly formed Outreach Committee.

The goal of the committee is to develop and implement strategies to expand community input and decision-making to benefit the neighborhood. This could mean the development of innovative practices to gather community input affecting future initiatives in the neighborhood and city. It could mean supporting recruitment practices which would expand diversity of board membership.

Both those looking for some longer term involvement with their neighborhood and those who wish to limit their commitment to the initial strategy development are encouraged to join.

Community members with questions and those interested in making a difference in the neighborhood and ensuring Logan Park’s voice at the city represents the unique and diverse perspectives of our neighborhood should email admin@loganparkneighborhood.com.

Hazardous waste collection events in Minneapolis and St. Louis Park
Hennepin County is holding two hazardous waste collection events in June. Events are held Friday and Saturday from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. at the following locations:

- June 14 & 15 at St. Louis Park Middle School
- June 21 & 22 at Pillsbury Elementary School in Minneapolis

Hennepin County holds collection events across the county throughout the spring, summer, and fall to provide residents with a convenient option to get rid of household hazardous waste. A variety of items are accepted at collection events including paint, aerosols, cleaners, mercury thermostats, and more.

See the full list of hazardous waste collection events scheduled for this year and the materials accepted.
https://www.hennepin.us/collectionevents

Share the River Nordeast 2019: Wed, June 26
Join Mississippi Watershed Management Organization for an evening of community, canoeing and cookies on Wednesday, June 26! Stop by anytime between 5 p.m. and 8 p.m. for a free introductory canoe ride on the Mississippi River, then grab a free cookie from Cookie Cart and enjoy a variety of fun and educational activities at Stormwater Park and Learning Center.

In addition to learning to paddle on the river, participants will also have opportunities to learn about the Mississippi River’s history, water quality, plants, animals and more. Canoe rides will be led by guides from Wilderness Inquiry, with support from National Park Service rangers from the Mississippi National River and Recreation Area and Mississippi Park Connection staff.
www.mwmo.org

Call for Artists: Minneapolis Art Wraps
The City of Minneapolis is seeking 20 artists to create the next generation of Art Wraps! The selected designs will be available to communities at the end of this summer through the public art permit application process.

Artists of all experience levels from Minnesota are encouraged to apply! Artists whose designs are selected will be awarded $1,100-$2,500. To learn more about this opportunity and how to apply, please visit the Call for Artists website.

THANK YOU TO OUR CLEAN SWEEP VOLUNTEERS!

We appreciate you!
Logan Park Pool Updates
The pool is complete! Logan Park Neighborhood Association contributed $27,600 to fund the water feature, shade structures, and benches.

Logan Park Sidewalk Upgrades
Thanks to efforts from the Logan Park Street Safety Committee, the City of Minneapolis funded ADA ramp upgrades along Monroe St NE at the intersections of 13th Ave and 15th Ave NE this year. Thank you to the committee for all their hard work!

LPNA Priorities Plan Update - Priorities Projects: Action Plans
LPNA is now working on turning The Big Ideas that became Priority Projects into Action Plans! We will be asking the people and organizations that submitted the projects to be Project Leads in turning the Ideas into Reality. The full Priority Plan is available on the LPNA website.

The funds available to LPNA cannot cover 100% of all the projects. **LPNA and the Project Leads will be looking for partners and volunteers.**

LPNA has formed an Implementation Committee to review the Action Plans and Budgets. Please email if you are interested in joining this committee. The first meeting is July 10th, 6pm @ Logan Park.

Upcoming Meetings and Events:
- LPNA Board Meeting, June 12th, 6pm @ Logan Park
- LPNA General Meeting, June 19th, 7pm @ Logan Park
- LPNA Priorities Implementation Committee Meeting, July 10th, 6pm @ Logan Park
- LPNA @ the NE Farmer’s Market, Saturday July 27th, 9am-1pm
- Logan Park Ice Cream Social, Thursday August 15th, 3-6pm @ Logan Park
- LPNA Indeed We Can Fundraiser, Wednesday September 18th, 3-11pm @ Indeed Brewery