




March 2024 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> <div style="text-align: center;">  </div> <p>Prospect Park Association is a 501(c)(3) charitable organization, and all donations are tax-deductible.</p>	<p>Jackson Family Project Tuesday, April 4, 4:30pm</p> <p>Environment Committee Thursday April 9. 6:30pm * Hybrid & Meets at Luxton Park</p> <p>Finance & Administration Committee (no meeting in March or April)</p> <p>Land Use & Planning Committee Thursday April 11. 7:00pm *Hybrid & Meets at Luxton Park</p> <p>Transportation & Safety Committee Wednesday, April 10, 7:30pm</p>	<p>PPA Board Meeting & Community Meeting</p> <p>--HYBRID meeting-- Monday March 25th 6:30pm - 8:00pm at PPUMC and on Zoom</p> <p><i>Note: Zoom access info Meeting Agenda</i></p> <p><i>All Community Members are welcome!</i></p> <p>Management Council <i>Sets Community & Board Meeting Agendas</i> Monday, March 18, 7pm</p>

GET INVOLVED!

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



PPA's March 25, 2024 Board/Community HYBRID meeting!

PPA will meet
Monday, March 25, at 6:30pm at

Prospect Park United Methodist Church (PPUMC)
22 SE Orlin Ave, Minneapolis, MN 55414

[Click Here for Meeting Agenda](#)

[If you prefer to attend the meeting virtually, please
register here for Zoom info.](#)

All are welcome!

please contact staff@prospectparkmpls.org with questions.

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**PPA Meeting Minutes and Committee Reports approved at the January  
22, 2024 Board/Community meeting**

[Community Building\(Jackson Family Project\): January 4, 2024](#)

[Board Meeting: December 4, 2023](#)

[Community Meeting Minutes \(comments on merger\): December 4, 2023](#)

[Environment Committee: December 12, 2023](#)

[Finance and Administration: December 14, 2023](#)

**Run for the PPA Board!**  
**Elections will be held at the**  
**Annual Meeting on Monday, May 13.**

**GET ENGAGED IN THE CITY AND**  
**NEIGHBORHOOD DISCUSSIONS ABOUT**  
**EQUITY, ENVIRONMENTALISM, SAFETY,**  
**COMMUNITY BUILDING,**  
**TRANSPORTATION, LAND USE, AND MORE!**

**Community Board training and orientation provided;**  
**ALL ARE WELCOME!**



**There are eight board seats up for election including one student seat. Board terms are two-years beginning June 24th, 2024.**

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All board members must be at least 18 years old and either: a resident in the neighborhood, or an owner or business lessee of real property in the neighborhood, or the designated representative of a nonprofit, educational organization or governmental organization in the neighborhood.

**CANDIDATE PROFILES DUE FRIDAY, APRIL 12**



For questions,  
contact staff@  
prospectparkmpls.org

**[SUBMIT BOARD CANDIDATE PROFILE HERE](#)**

**Learn more about the PPA [Board of Directors](#)**

If you have any questions, please email [staff@prospectparkmpls.org](mailto:staff@prospectparkmpls.org) for assistance.  
Thank you and we look forward to seeing you at the meeting!

# EARTH DAY 2024

Saturday, April 20, 2024, 9am - 12pm



The theme for Earth Day 2024, Planet vs. Plastics, calls to advocate for widespread awareness on the health risk of plastics, rapidly phase out all single use plastics, urgently push for a strong UN Treaty on Plastic Pollution, and demand an end to fast fashion.

**Please join neighbors and friends to celebrate Earth Day on Saturday, April 20, 2024.** Each person helps keep pollution from getting into the Mississippi River and our environment. All ages welcome! From 9 to noon, we'll offer several places to pick up supplies. We'll have gloves, bags for both recycling and trash, and information about the Environment Committee.

- \* **Tower Hill**, in the grassy area north of the Tower, facing University Avenue. We would love to get enough people to extend the cleanup beyond Tower Hill - along University Avenue, around Pratt School, in the vacant lot next to Speedway and along the Transitway.
- \* **Luxton Park** - around the park and Glendale
- \* **Along East River Parkway**, just east of the bridge - for clean up along the parkway, Chergosky Park and environs

Please join us!!

Prospect Park Association is a 501(c)(3) charitable organization. All donations are tax-deductible.

[Please donate to PPA at GiveMN](#)

Simply click for online GiveMN or mail checks to:  
PPA, P.O. Box 141095, Minneapolis 55414.



***WINTER 2024 Edition***

**The Prospect Park Neighborhood Guide**



- Upcoming things to do or see in Prospect Park
- Ways to stay connected
- Business and Nonprofit Directory
- Renter Resources
- Local Government Resources
- How to Get Around
- Ways to volunteer on behalf of our neighborhood and more!

[Please share this guide with neighbors—and check it out yourself.](#)

Do you have a suggestion or correction? PPA will update the guide several times per year. Community members to help keep this guide up to date.

[Please suggest a resource for the guide here.](#) Thank you!



# 2024 Good Neighbor Fund Kick-Off Community Event!



## 2024 Good Neighbor Fund Community Meeting

The Good Neighbor Fund was created in 2007 by the University of Minnesota through consultation with representatives from local governments and neighborhood and business associations adjacent to the Twin Cities campus. Formed with the purpose of enhancing and protecting the beauty, serenity, and security of the community.

Grant recipients have used the Good Neighbor Fund to implement projects that range from crime prevention and neighborhood building to beautification of public spaces and the arts.

## Community Meeting

Please join the University of Minnesota Government Relations team and the Board of the Good Neighbor Fund for kick off meeting for the 2024 Season! Hear about past successes, what makes a good application, what the Board is looking for in project ideas, the amount we will be providing for projects and the 2024 theme.

**When:** Thursday, March 21st 6:30-8:00 with a presentation at 7:00

**Location:** Van Cleve Park, 901 15th Ave. SE

Dessert and Coffee will be provided. We are looking forward to seeing you!

Van Cleve Park (901 15th Ave. SE)

**Thursday, March 21st, 2024**

**6:30-8:00**

Presentation at 7:00

Dessert and Coffee will be provided

Or

[JOIN ONLINE](#)

[LEARN MORE ABOUT THE GOOD NEIGHBORHOOD FUND HERE](#)



**FamilyWise First Step Early Childhood Education Center** (childcare) now has openings for infants, toddlers, and preschoolers. If neighborhood residents would like to learn more, they can visit:

<https://familywiseservices.org/find-parenting-support/childcare/>  
or call Bea at 612-877-7821.

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Save the Date: Join us for a day of unity, collaboration and action!

Join the UMN - IonE Institute on the Environment, BF50 Indigenous Health & Project Sweetie Pie for the 2nd UMN Environmental Justice Summit, Thursday, April 4th at the UMN Mississippi Room.

Students, community members, and passionate organizations will unite to break down silos and address Minnesota's environmental challenges. Learn from diverse perspectives, and build a powerful movement to tackle environmental, food justice and climate issues in the Twin Cities and beyond.



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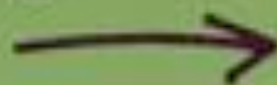
BREAKING DOWN THE SILOS AND BUILDING A GREENER FUTURE FOR ENVIRONMENTAL AND FOOD JUSTICE

APRIL 4TH, 2024 10-2PM

COFFMAN MEMORIAL UNION, MISSISSIPPI ROOM (EAST BANK)

JOIN US!

LOOKING TO SHOWCASE YOUR
WORK/ART
OR VOLUNTEER?



SHARE WITH YOUR NETWORKS!!



Loaves & fishes



FREE COMMUNITY MEALS

WHERE: Prospect Park United Methodist Church
22 Orlin Ave SE, Mpls, MN 55414

WHEN: Third Wednesday of each month
5:30 - 6:30 pm

DATES: January 17, February 21, March 20
April 17, May 15, June 19

Food served will be a nutritious, healthy
and balanced meal with no pork.

ALL ARE WELCOME!



**Prospect Park
United Methodist Church**

For more information, contact Prospect Park UMC at
(612) 378-2380 or office@prospectparkchurch.org



EASTER EGG PARTY

Saturday, March 30

10:00 - 11:00 am

Join us as for our annual Easter Egg Party! Featuring an Easter egg hunt, egg dyeing, donuts on a string (yum!), cookie decorating, face painting, microwaving peeps and more.

There will also be group spring mural painting.



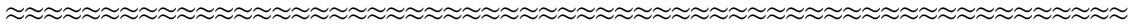
**Prospect Park
United Methodist Church**

22 Orlin Ave SE, Minneapolis, MN 55414

(612) 378-2380 | prospectparkchurch.org

This event is
FREE and open
to **ALL AGES!**





Council Member Wonsley:

Contact or Share Your Opinion or Address an Issue Any Time

E-mail Council Member Wonsley and her staff at ward2@minneapolismn.gov

Or contact staff directly:

[Policy Aide Celeste Robinson](#)

[Policy Aide Qannani Omar](#)

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[Follow the Off-Campus Living Facebook Page](#) and [sign up here](#) for their newsletter to receive updates on safety, business, and more in the University of Minnesota Campus area. Non-students are also encouraged to participate!



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