



April 2023 Mid-Month Newsletter

Virtual PPA Annual Neighborhood Meeting and Board of Directors Election

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All are welcome!

Monday, May 15, 2023, 6:30-8pm

Meeting access starts at 6:20pm.

Zoom meeting access will be available in the May PPA Newsletter and via the PPElist. Assistance? please email staff@prospectparkmpls.org

[Learn about the Board Candidates Here](#)

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Join the PPA Board of Directors!

Candidate Profile submission deadline extended to Wednesday, May 3

Get engaged in the city and neighborhood discussions about Equity, Environmentalism, Safety, Community Building, Transportation, Land Use and more. BIPOC, LGBTQ+, students and renters are urged to apply to bring diverse perspectives to the PPA board.

There are seven board seats up for election. In addition, there is one student seat and one business representative seat available.

Community Board training and orientation provided; All Are Welcome!

[SUBMIT CANDIDATE PROFILE HERE](#)

JEFF
BARNHART



IAN
GORODISHER



SUSAN
LARSON-
FLEMING



GABRIELLE
METZGER



WILLIAM
MORRIS



LYNN VON
KORFF



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Earth Day Clean Up!

Saturday, April 22, 9:30am - 11:30am

Please join Prospect Park neighbors during our Earth Day clean up project. , come grab a bag, some gloves, and get out to enjoy the neighborhood while picking up anything that doesn't belong on the ground.

Earth Day Prospect Park Meeting Locations:

- [River Gorge Park](#) (Along East River Parkway, south of the Franklin Avenue Bridge)
- [Tower Hill Park](#) Gloves and bags will be available for pick up at both locations.

On Saturday, April 22, 2023 from 9:30 - 11:30 am

Participants will be taking care of the earth and watershed around the Mississippi River. If you can't make it down to pick up supplies, get out on your own and choose a location to clean. The earth and the Environment Committee thank you for your participation.

<https://www.prospectparkmpls.org/events/earth-day.html>

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April is Earth Month ... and the theme this year is "Invest in Our Planet"

According to [Earthday.org](#), the theme for this year's Earth Month is "Invest in Our Planet". This fits in so well with the PPA Environment Committee's "25% by '25" initiative that I knew I had to include an article in the newsletter. Prospect Park has beautiful old houses, but our 100-year-old homes come at a high price to the environment. Did you know that natural gas accounts for 41% of the CO2 emissions in Minneapolis?

Please invest in your home. It's not just the planet and your neighbors who will benefit. Your finances will, too.

No and Low Cost

- Get an energy audit - [Home Energy Squad | Center for Energy and Environment \(mncee.org\)](#) - free for most households. * Note: If you have purchased your home since January of 2020, you can download an energy report on your home at: [Energy Disclosure | Center for Energy and Environment \(mncee.org\)](#)
- Seal doors and window frames. Put plastic wrap over windows in the winter. Insulate between joists in the basement.
- Plant a tree - in years to come, it will cool down your house naturally.

Upfront costs, but incredible Return on Investment:

- See [ROI for Home Energy Improvements: Part of our 25% by '25 Initiative - YouTube](#) for details on how long it takes to start earning money

- Insulate and air seal your attic
- Insulate your walls. 1 in 5 houses in Prospect Park have little to no wall insulation.

Break even upgrades:

- Replacing your gas powered Hot Water Heater with an electric model
- Replacing your central AC unit with a Heat Pump or Mini Split.

If you have questions about anything mentioned, or would like to hear about our next coffee klatsch about energy upgrades, please email environment@prospectparkmpls.org.

Mary Britton,
Environment Committee

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