



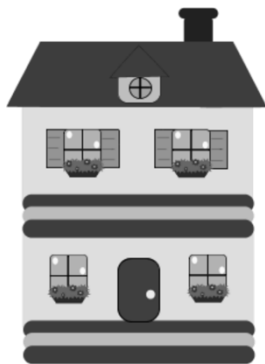
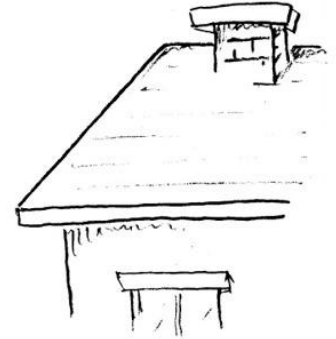
The Centennial Community Improvement Association's Neighbourhood Newsletter

The Exterior Fix-Up Grants are Coming!

This year the CCIA is happy to offer **TEN** Homeowners and **THREE** Landlords grants to repair and improve the outside of houses. Condos and Apartment buildings are not included. If you aren't sure, check out the application information at the back of the Newsletter. You can also contact the CCIA Office, 204.806.5939 and either Deborah or Tanya will get back to you.

Just fill out application form and drop it off at the CCIA Community Office, 427 Alexander Avenue. The Deadline for applications is April 8, 2016.

To make it easier for homeowners and landlords, we will be offering a workshop to everyone who sends in an application. The workshop will help everyone with resources, information and choices to improve the exterior of their homes.



Last fall, Tanya and Deborah did a Safety Audit of the neighbourhood and found that many homes have steps and stairs that need to be repaired or replaced; missing or damaged railings; and homes that needed painting or their roofs replaced. All these things can qualify for a **CCIA EXTERIOR FIX-UP GRANT!**

HOMEOWNERS: Apply and receive up to \$2500 toward the costs of the work.

TENANTS: Give the application to your Landlord when you pay your rent! You know what needs to be repaired, and this might help get your landlord to do it!

The **CCIA EXTERIOR FIX-UP GRANT INFORMATION and APPLICATION** are on **Pages 7 & 8** of this issue of the Community Press.

Just in time for the Grants, Habitat for Humanity has launched their Habitat Handyman, one of the resources we will discuss at the Grant Workshop, and highlighted on Page 2.

The Centennial Neighbourhood is Popping this Spring

There are so many great things happening in the neighbourhood and we are so excited to tell you all about them. We are working with the other groups in the area to many Centennial and North Logan greener, safer, cleaner and brighter.

You can read about the great people in the neighbourhood and about the wonderful things they do. There is something for every age and most interests. There are workshops and trainings and more.

We want to hear from you too! Check out Page 6 to contact Deborah or Tanya, the CCIA Housing Coordinators.

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THE HABITAT HANDYMAN

Habitat for Humanity Manitoba launched its newest venture, The Habitat Handyman in December of 2015.

By working in the community, it became apparent that there is a lack of services available for those small home repair jobs that most people aren't able to do by themselves and most repair services don't want to be bothered with. Hence the creation of "The Habitat Handyman", a new social enterprise to serve the community while continuing to support the mission of Habitat for Humanity Manitoba.



Under the direction of Jim Gnidziejko, a Red Seal Carpenter with more than 30 years of experience in residential construction. The Habitat Handyman program will operate on a fee for service basis. We will keep the costs in line by tapping into our bank of skilled volunteers to do some of the work and licensed trades people when required. Consequently the Habitat Handyman will be able to successfully complete a wide range of projects at or below market rates, with the quality of the work assured.

Start-up capital for this enterprise was provided by Jim and Leney Richardson; the Pollard Family Foundation and the Winnipeg Foundation.

Equipment sponsorship was provided by ComFree, a proud community partner.

"We're thrilled to be supporting this exciting new endeavor to help build vibrant, local communities," said Kim Ewchuk, Licensed Sales Representative and General Manager of Manitoba's ComFree Commonsense Network broker.

"The Habitat Handyman program is a natural fit for us, as it echoes our company's values of providing exceptional service to local residents. We're eager to roll-up our sleeves and work alongside Habitat for Humanity to help Manitoba families in need."

Do you have repairs around the house that need doing? Not sure how to do them? Did you qualify for a "Fix-Up Grant" and cannot get anyone to come and provide quotes? Give Jim a call and have him come out and give you an estimate on the job.

For more information please call 204-233-5160 ext. 261 or email Jim at jgidziejko@habitat.mb.ca

Did you know?

- That Habitat for Humanity has been serving families in Manitoba, by providing affordable housing for almost 30 years? *To date, we have helped 346 low income families achieve homeownership through our program of no down payment, no interest and mortgage geared to income program.*
- That the ReStore is part of Habitat for Humanity and has been operating in Manitoba for 25 years? *The concept of a ReStore was developed right here in Winnipeg as a venue to recycle new and gently used items for your home for sale at a discounted rate. The profits from the ReStore go directly into the homebuilding program of Habitat for Humanity. This program is so successful and has expanded to the point where there are now 92 ReStores across Canada and over 900 throughout the United States, and the program is continuing to expand around the world, wherever there are Habitat Affiliates. The ReStore is open 7 days a week, for more information please go to www.habitat.mb.ca*
- That Habitat for Humanity ReStore now accepts donations of clothing. They will be sold at the ReStore. After four weeks, unsold clothes will be donated to charities. Bring your clean, gently used clothing to a ReStore now.

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Around the Neighbourhood

Miracle Store and More ...Winnipeg Inner City Missions

The Miracle Store at the Anishinabe Fellowship Center has been in operation for at least 15 years. "It's community helping community," says ED Reverend Margret Mullin. What started out as a thrift store now also has a work experience program built in where volunteers can amp up their resume and build job skills. Often called the "25 Cent Store" the Miracle Store is only one of many programs run by Inner City Missions. Donations of clothing, books, games, toys, and household goods are accepted Monday – Thursday 9am - 3pm. People interested in the volunteer program are encouraged to apply in person to the store at 287 Laura Street.



In the same building at 287 Laura Street, the Anishinabe Fellowship Center hosts the "Learning to Play Program" on Tuesdays at 1pm - 3pm. Open to the public, children ages 1-5 and their caregivers are encouraged to come by and have a fun and educational time of learning concepts and early literacy.

You may have wondered what is happening at the apartment block on the corner of Ellen and 415 Logan. This is another project of Winnipeg Inner City Missions called "Place of Hope." They provide subsidized housing and professional support for people ages 30 – 50 who are underemployed or have been on long term unemployment. They have a full time social worker on staff to assist tenants to develop an employment and career plan. There is a total sobriety policy in the nineteen suite building with a maximum stay of three years. If you would like more information about living in "Place of Hope" contact Crystal McKeen at 204-942-8683 Ext.223.

Last but not least the Winnipeg Inner City Missions offers up a Sunday Church Service at 3:30pm at the "Place of Hope Presbyterian Church" with a fellowship hour afterward with hot soup to top it off.



The Seniors Spring Fling is Back!



The Health Sciences Centre in partnership with the Centennial Community Improvement Association Is hosting a Spring Tea for seniors

On Wednesday, April 13, 2016 from 2:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m. at St. Andrews Place, 2nd Floor, 425 Elgin Avenue.

We will be having lots of entertainment, great food and fun – so please mark this date on your calendar and join us! If you require transportation to and from 425 Elgin Avenue, please contact Tanya, the CCIA Coordinator at **204-806-5939**.

We're Making it GREEN!!

The CCIA is looking to GREEN Up the neighbourhood and add some raised garden beds to the neighbourhood. Place of Hope is hoping to have some raised beds for residents to access fresh, home-grown food that they tended themselves.

We have some beds on Ross and are looking for new places to put some community garden beds. We will be offering gardening workshops, with our partners—IRCOM, Jim Beckta, Dufferin School, to bring more fresh, local food to the neighbourhood.



If you are interested in having a bed, taking a workshop or just volunteering in the gardens, please let Tanya know at 204.809.5939. She is always happy to talk about gardening, the neighbourhood and workshops.

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More Workshops!

Budgeting: A Workshop

When: Wednesday,
April 13, 2016

Where: 400-B Logan Avenue
[Between Laura and Ellen]

Time: 6:30-9:00 pm

[Come for dinner at 5:30]

Childcare is available

Open to ALL

The CCIA, With New Journeys Housing, is holding workshops for Tenants and interested individuals. The April Workshop is on Budgeting and the May Workshop is on how to be a better tenant.

Both workshops are being provided by New Journeys Housing.

IRCOM is hosting the workshops in their EAL Classroom.

Rental Certification

When: Wednesday,
May 11, 2016

Where: 400-B Logan Avenue
[Between Laura and Ellen]

Time: 6:30-9:00 pm

[Come for dinner at 5:30]

Childcare is available

Open to ALL

The CCIA has more workshops planned for this spring. We will be announcing a First Aid/CPR workshop and a Food Handlers certification workshop once the dates and locations have been confirmed. Watch our website and Facebook and look for our flyers in the neighbourhood for more details.



If you really can't wait, or you want your name on the list to guarantee your spot, please contact Tanya at 204.806.5939 and she will get you name and contact information for the workshops.

We would also like to thank the Assiniboine Credit Union for their assistance on making these workshops possible.

Are you Interested in Learning more about how an Organization Works?

Think you might like to get more involved in the Community or CCIA?

The Centennial Community Improvement Association is looking for Board members. We are offering community members the opportunity to have a say in what happens in the Neighbourhood and how we can make things better.

Still not sure, but want to know about how a Board works? The CCIA will be holding workshops on how a board works and the responsibilities of Board members. These workshops will be open to community individuals and organizations who want to learn more about Boards and the work they do.

Watch for the notices of the workshops on our website, Facebook and in the community.

Don't want to miss out? Contact Deborah at 204.229.7416 to learn more or to register to the workshops.

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Community Happenings

Dufferin School will be holding its Community Yard Sale this spring. Rick is hoping to raise money for Family Room and Community Programs. The date will be published in the Dufferin School Newsletter and posted on the Family Room bulletin board. Drop by the family and check it out.

The Central Neighbourhood Development Corporation has new Feet on the Street in the Centennial/North Logan neighbourhoods. Rhianna and Alecia are busy doing the Walking School Bus and helping with crossing guard duties among many other things. They are bundled up in their purple jackets and always ready and willing to help out.

IRCOM is busy getting IRCOM Isabel ready for its first tenant sometime in May. Once tenants are settled in, IRCOM is hoping that a Street Fest will encourage neighbours and friends to come and see what the new building looks like and meet their newest neighbours. More details in the next issue.

We have started a Network for Organizations and Agencies who have programs in the Neighbourhood. We are just starting out but are very excited to coordinate our resources and work together to bring energy and imagination to the community. We are also hoping to be able to give our friends and neighbours a clearer picture of all the great things there are to do and be part of in the neighbourhood.

Please let us know what you think of the Newsletter and of things you would like to have included.

The newsletter is hand delivered to every home and drop off at convenient locations throughout the community.



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Last Words

Great Resources

Who to Call:

Shopping Cart Pick-Up

➤ 204.786.8600

Winnipeg 311 –For:

- Potholes
- Trash
- Large Garbage
- Burnt Out Traffic Signals

Burnt Out Streetlights

➤ **204.480.5900**

Spay your Pet—For lower income owners

➤ **204.888.SNAP**



After all the hard work,
stay for BBQ and some refreshments and family friendly entertainment.

CCIA Information:

The Centennial Community Improvement Association Board of Directors is made up of people just like you.

Come and see for yourself. We meet the 2nd Monday of every month at 6 PM in the basement of 60 Frances Street [the Winnipeg Housing Rehabilitation Building] between Notre Dame Avenue and McDermot Street.

Our Safety Meetings, held at 3pm on the 4th Saturday of the month at 427 Alexander Avenue are open to all interested residents. Upcoming meetings are:

- March 26
 - April 23
 - June 25
- NO May Meeting—
Community Clean-Up Day!

CCIA is here for You!

Our Community Office Hours Are:
Monday-Friday: 10:00am-1:00pm
At 427 Alexander Avenue

Just Knock and Walk In.
Tanya or Deborah will be happy to help. Can't make it then?

Call the Office: 204.806.5939
Or Deborah: ccia.housing@mail.com
Or Tanya:
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2016/2017 Centennial and North Logan Neighbourhoods External Fix-Up Grants

Centennial Neighborhood Housing Plan (2014-2019): A Neighborhood Housing Plan is a way for residents to come together to create a vision for housing in their Neighborhood, and then agree on the goals and action steps to move towards the vision of the Residents of Centennial and North Logan **"A safe, walkable, socially active community with affordable, diverse, and well-maintained housing"**

Centennial Community Improvement Association (CCIA): We are a group of residents and stakeholders committed to making our community a better place for our families and community since 2003. In that time, we have strived to create partnerships with all levels of government and various agencies that will benefit Centennial and North Logan Neighbourhoods. Actually, CCIA is administering the **External Fix-up Grants** with funding of the City of Winnipeg- Housing Development Division, 2014.

External Fix-Up Grant Applications: Program oriented to homeowners and landlords to "Improve safety in Centennial and North Logan. This Program is available with funding from the government to solve some need identified by the residents to improve their housing conditions. **Activities considered for the Grant are Upgrade infrastructure and housing exteriors** and it is only for **houses** occupied by a homeowner or a tenant. **Apartment Building and Condos are NOT eligible.** The property (house) must be located in **CENTENNIAL or NORTH LOGAN Neighbourhoods.**

Resident- Homeowner Category: Is a primary resident-owner of the address on the application. Under this category, the property cannot be used for commercial purposes (rental or registered home business). **The maximum grant is up to \$2,500.** Based on the project cost the homeowner must contribute with at least the 10%.

Landlord Category: A Landlord' is a person who operates a self-contained rental unit on their property. Landlords must match the amount of the grant allocated to them dollar-per-dollar. **The maximum grant awarded to this category is up to \$5000.** Landlords can enter more than one property in the draw, but will only receive one non-transferable grant allocation (Ex: if two properties of the same landlord are drawn; only one of them will be allocated a grant.

For more information, please contact:

Deborah Clark or Tanya Blatz

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2016/2017 Exterior Fix-Up Grant Application for Centennial & North Logan Neighbourhoods

Application Deadline: **Friday, April 8, 2016 by 5:00 pm**

Drop off to CCIA mailbox or mail to:

CCIA
427 Alexander Avenue
Winnipeg, Manitoba
R3A 0N4

Applicants Category: *Resident Homeowners* and *Landlords* who have not won an External Fix-Up Grant within the last 3 years (2013, 2014, 2015)

Are you a (check one): **HOMEOWNER** **LANDLORD**

Name: _____ /

(Please give the name of a resident or landlord)

Address (fix-up site): _____ /

Landlords Address: _____ /

Postal Code: _____ / Phone: _____ /

Email: _____ /

Is the applicant English-speaking? **YES** **NO**

If "no", is a translator required? (Specify Language): _____ /

CHECK THE ACTIVITIES OF YOUR PROJECT:

ESTIMATED COST OF PROJECT \$ / _____ /

Exterior Painting/Foundation /___/	Exterior Doors /___/	Veranda Repair /___/	Windows Siding /___/
Exterior lighting Fences /___/	Driveway repair/replace /___/	Eavestroughs /Fascia /___/	Stucco Repair /___/
Exterior/Outside Stairs /___/	Balcony/Porch Railing /___/	Roof /___/ Porch /___/	Garage /___/
Other (Briefly description): 			

Applicant's Signature / _____ / Date: /___/___/___/

(Please submit this page only and maintain the program details for your reference) / day / month / year /

Draw date for 2016/2017 allocations: 6 PM, April 22, 2016

Location: Dufferin School Foyer, 545 Alexander Ave.

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