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### Our Mission

The Hawthorne Neighborhood Council seeks to improve the quality of life in the Hawthorne neighborhood through empowering the residents in order that they can address the physical, cultural, social, and economic needs of the community.

*On behalf of Hawthorne Neighborhood Council, we would like to thank each and everyone for their contributions this year. Your support helped us continue in our mission and to assist those in our community. The generous support of individuals like you makes it possible for our organization to exist and to make the community a great place to live.*

*Thank you again for your support!*

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# Hawthorne VIBE

## Neighborhoods 2020 Update: By David Rubedor



Dear neighborhood and community leaders,

We want to keep you informed and updated during these next steps following City Council's actions on May 17, which passed the Neighborhoods 2020 framework along with two staff directives. You can find City Council's final actions on the framework at [minneapolisismn.gov/ncr/2020](http://minneapolisismn.gov/ncr/2020).

In one staff directive, City staff were instructed to conduct an enterprise-wide evaluation of community engagement efforts and develop a work plan and timeline for adopting a citywide community engagement policy. In the other, staff were directed to work with a consultant or consultants to continue conversations with neighborhoods and the community on program guidelines and metrics for the Neighborhoods 2020 framework while continuing to ensure that racial equity remains at the core of the work.

Our immediate next step is to begin developing the scopes of work necessary to contract with a consultant or consultants. Staff in the Coordinator's Office will work with Procurement and the Target Market process so that any qualified candidate may submit a proposal as soon as scopes of work are ready. We will send that information out to you and our Target Market Program vendors and post it on the City's procurement webpage as well as NCR's homepage. Once qualified contractors have been selected, an updated project timeline will be posted on our website and shared publicly.

We will continue to send out updates and update the Neighborhoods 2020 webpage as we move through this process.

In the meantime, if you have any questions, please do not hesitate to reach out to your neighborhood specialist, Deputy Director Karen Moe or myself.

# Hawthorne Housing Update: Spring 2019



## 2019 HNC Spring Clean Up

Hawthorne Neighborhood Council, in conjunction with the City of Minneapolis, held the Neighborhood Spring Clean Up event on Saturday April 27th. Despite the poor weather forecast, many neighborhood residents turn out to collect trash and learn about resources to create a safe and healthy home. Nearly 20 bags of trash and recycling were collected by volunteers. The City of Minneapolis also provided blood lead testing, lead paint information services, and asthma services to the families in our neighborhood with 18 kids tested for lead. It was a wonderful event and we are already looking forward to the next one.

## Come See HNC at the 7th Annual Healthy Homes Resource Fair

On Thursday June 27th from 5pm-8pm, Hawthorne will join dozens of other vendors at the Healthy Homes Resource Fair. Presented by the Neighborhood Hub, the Healthy Homes Resource Fair provides resources and information promoting health initiatives in the community. There will also be food, Zumba demos, music, and other family friendly entertainment. Homeowners and Renters are encouraged to come and learn about the resources - many free - that are available to help with costs, legal problems, or hazardous home conditions. The event is located at 3120 Washburn Avenue North Minneapolis, 55411.



## Take Advantage of City Housing Programs

The City of Minneapolis BUY BUILD REHAB program is an excellent option for people looking to build or renovate a home or multi-unit building in Hawthorne. The purpose of Minneapolis Homes is to reduce property vacancy, create new housing units, and sustain homeownership in the City of Minneapolis. The program provides homeownership education, financing, and property opportunities to homebuyers, homeowners, and developers to create and sustain housing in the City of Minneapolis. City-owned vacant land is available to purchase at any time to develop a 1-4-unit home. Renovate a City-owned vacant structure; open houses are posted as they are available and communicated through the Minneapolis Homes e-mail listserv. Finally, you can purchase a move-in ready home that has been developed through City programs. For more information visit: <http://www.minneapolismn.gov/cped/housing/MinneapolisHomes>

## Get Involved: Housing Committee

The HNC Housing Committee expects 2019 to be a busy year. There are many new developments being planned for Hawthorne and you can have input on these projects. The committee is also working on expanding our loan programs to renters and ensuring affordable housing for all our residents. Housing Committee meetings are open to the public and attendees are welcome to join the committee. Meetings are the third Monday at 7:00 at Farview Park. If you are interest in joining contact Andrew Bornhoft at [abornhoft@hncmpls.org](mailto:abornhoft@hncmpls.org).



## Unison Comfort Technologies: Hiring from the Neighborhood

Unison Comfort Technologies is a company that designs and builds commercial air handling units. They are currently looking to hire new employees, located at 60 28th Ave N in Minneapolis

This family-like company is looking to hire new full time employees from the neighborhood. Described as a “positive work environment” and a place where all 350 employees “know everyone by their first name,” this company has community involvement and community enrichment as its core values.

The company is always looking for new ideas and opinions, which is why there are no automatic disqualifications on background checks. There is also no need for prior manufacturing experience as you are trained on the job.

To learn more about joining the Unison team and the benefits you could gain, call (612) 877-4800 or visit [www.unisoncomfort.com/Employment-opportunities](http://www.unisoncomfort.com/Employment-opportunities)



## Teen's Corner: Change to Chill

Everyone gets stressed out, it's unfortunately a part of life. The good news is Allina Health created a free resource to help young teens and adults learn more about stress, what causes stress, and stress management tips.



The website is filled with resources that teach you about healthy ways to chill like meditation, guided imagery, gratitude, and mindfulness. You can find different exercises to work through and help you chill whether you have 2 minutes or 10 minutes.

There is also a corner for people who want resources, like the Change to Chill Starter Pack or different workshops, to positively impact the mental health of someone they love.

For more info, visit [changetochill.org](http://changetochill.org)

## David Ellis: Turning Point's Client of the Year

This year at Turning Point's 7th Annual Honors Gala, David Ellis was awarded the Client of the Year. His contribution to the community since his graduation from the Turning Point program include founding Studio-4 and the High School of Recording Arts.



The construction of Studio-4 came after Ellis's career of studio recording with Prince. Through the studio, the creation of the High School of Recording Arts (HSRA) was born. This pilot program gained the interest of students in the community who were at a high risk of dropping out, and gave solution to a problem Ellis saw in his community. With approval from the Minnesota Board of Education, the HSRA became a Charter School through the St. Paul School District.

## Our Summer Interns



Sewit Eskinder is our college intern, a current student at North Dakota State University studying Vocal Music Education. She just completed her sophomore year where she was the NDSU Chapter Secretary of the National Association for Music Educators

(NAfME) and the NDSU Concert Choir undergraduate Librarian. She also performed in two operas, one of which was her debut in a professional chorus with Bizet's *Carmen*. She looks forward to her junior year where she will continue in her role as Librarian, and begin her new role as the Vice President for NAfME. Her plans after graduation include teaching secondary choirs and earning a Masters in Management.

Our Step-up intern this year is Shamaia Ross-

Hawkins. She just finished her freshman year at North Community High School and looks forward to working with HNC this summer. At school, she is involved in cheerleading and in softball, which happens to be her favorite sport to play.



She was formerly a part of the Lovely Divas for 4 years running and is currently a part of the popular TKO Drumline-Knockout Dance Team, and just completed her second year in the group. Her favorite class is African-American Studies, and she hopes to go straight to college after high school and attend a Historically Black College or University (HBCU).

## 5th African Mental Health Summit

In our culture, there is a stigma against Mental Health and Mental Health Awareness in the African America communities. We have been conditioned to not talk about our trauma, and this year's African Mental Health Summit is working to combat that. The event is on July 11th and 12th at the Minneapolis Institute of Arts with the event starting at 8am on the 11th and ending at 4:45pm on the 12th.

The theme of the summit this year is "Seeing the past but not captured by it: The Need for Cultural Healing." The summit will be focusing on the acknowledgement of cultural differences people of African Descent experience in mental health care. The summit will also focus on helping create assets that provide mental health care that is culturally-sensitive and appropriate for the people who need it. Keynote speakers are Dr. Linda James Myers from Ohio State University, and Dr. Oliver J. Williams from the University of Minnesota.



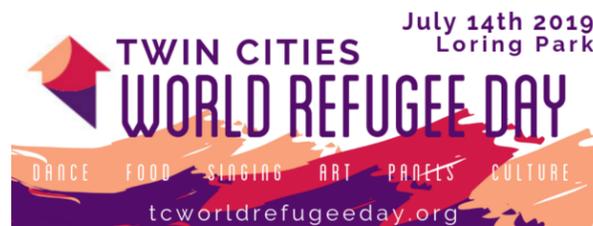
For more info about registration, visit [Eventbrite.com](http://Eventbrite.com). There is a registration fee but group incentives and scholarships are available.

## Twin Cities World Refugee Day

Since 1979, Minnesota has become a new home for more than 100,000 refugees hailing from different groups of people including Somalian, Hmong, Vietnamese, Former Soviet Union, Burmese, Ethiopian, Cambodian, Laotian, Liberian, and so many more. Minnesota takes pride in the cultural diversity that so many of these refugees have brought to our beautiful state.

This year's World Refugee Day in the Twin Cities will be highlighting many of the organizations that are dedicated to improving the quality of life for the immigrant and refugee families along with providing endless opportunities for their people. These organizations not only help their communities but they enrich the environment and all of Minnesota's communities.

Twin Cities World Refugee Day will take place on July 14th, 2019 from 2pm-7pm at Loring Park. This festival aims to celebrate the diversity of experiences and cultures that the thousands of refugees in Minnesota bring to our community, to build a cultural bridge between our newest members of the community and our longtime residents of Minnesota, and to raise awareness of the conflicts and violence that cause and create refugee crises. Through the festival, the people at TC World Refugee Day hope to raise awareness about problems that the refugee community faces, and the resettlement process for individuals and families here and abroad.



To learn more info about Twin Cities World Refugee Day, visit [tcworldrefugeeday.org](http://tcworldrefugeeday.org)

Join us for our **30th Annual Family Day Celebration!**

*Family Day is a celebration held each year by the Minneapolis Urban League, and this year has a Plymouth-Penn Corridor partnership.*

*This celebration is a time for us to remember our roots, to give us a chance to reflect on how far we've come and how far we can go. To give us Dignity, a sense of Pride, and Unity in our communities.*



*The event will be held on Saturday, Aug. 24th from 12:00-8:00 p.m.*

*Parade begins at 11:00 a.m. at the intersection of N Penn Ave and N Plymouth Ave.*

*There will be a Food Court with a Free Hotdog Stand, Kids Zone, Local Bands, Family Day Parade and more!*

*For more info, visit [www.mul.org](http://www.mul.org)*

## Communities Talk: Town Hall Meetings to Prevent Underage Drinking

Come join Hawthorne Neighborhood Council and the Northside Urban Coalition for our Communities Talk Town Hall meeting to discuss the prevention of underage drinking, specifically for children between the ages 9-12. With the slogan "It's not hip to take a sip," our goal is to inform our community of the dangers of underage drinking. The meeting will be held at the back of the Hawthorne Neighborhood Council office on August 6th from 6pm-8pm in conjunction with National Night Out.

Our invited guest is Dr. Rhonda Jones-Webb PH from the University of Minnesota. Dr. Jones-Webb received her doctorate in 1989 from University of California Berkley, and her main research focuses on the alcohol consumption and related problems of African Americans: factors of the environment that are associated with alcohol related problems in African American and low income communities, and environmental policies to help prevent problems related to alcohol abuse.

TOWN HALL MEETING  
**IT'S NOT HIP TO TAKE A SIP**

TUES | AUG 6 | 6PM  
2944 Emerson Ave N Minneapolis



FEATURING GUEST SPEAKER  
**RHONDA JONES-WEBB, Dr. PH**  
PROFESSOR, DIVISION OF  
EPIDEMIOLOGY AND COMMUNITY HEALTH



## Northside Urban Coalition

On May 24th at our monthly Coalition meeting, guest speakers LaDonna Redmond and Sam Simmons talked about their personal experiences with the opioid crisis. Come join us for next months meeting on June 28th at the North Regional Library 1315 Lowry Ave N, Minneapolis from 11am-1pm. Judson (Kim) Bemis – Chair of Smart Approaches to Marijuana – Minnesota Action Committee will be talking about the "Myths and Realities of Marijuana." The meeting will take place in the South Meeting Room.



Sam Simmons

The Northside Urban Coalition's goal is to educate the community of the opioid crisis we are currently experiencing and to continue educating ourselves in ways to help each other.

## Summertime tips: by Bill Magnuson

As summer is upon us, please take these tips into consideration so that you and your family can have a fun and safe summer!

### Beat the Heat:

- Drink more liquid than you think you need and avoid alcohol.
- Wear loose, lightweight clothing and a hat.
- Replace salt lost from sweating by drinking fruit juice or sports drinks.
- Avoid spending time outdoors during the hottest part of the day, from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m.
- Wear sunscreen; sunburn affects the body's ability to cool itself.

### Pool Safety:

- Please use the buddy system when entering the water.
- Try to Swim where there will be a life guard on duty.
- If you are not an expert swimmer, please wear a life jacket.
- Avoid swimming in creeks, lakes, or ponds where you are not familiar with the water or water hazards.

### Playground Safety:

- Familiarize yourself with the risks on playgrounds to see how you can prevent injuries.



LaDonna Redmond

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7	8	9 Crime & Safety 7:00 p.m.	10	11 HNC Board 6:45 p.m.	12	13	4	5	6 National Night Out 6:00pm	7	8 HNC Board 6:45 p.m.	9	10	8	9	10 Crime & Safety 7:00 p.m.	11	12 HNC Board 6:45 p.m.	13	14
14	15 Housing 7:00 p.m.	16	17 C&C 6:30 p.m.	18	19	20	11	12	13 Crime & Safety 7:00 p.m.	14	15	16	17	15	16 Housing 7:00 p.m.	17	18 C&C 6:30 p.m.	19	20	21
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All Meetings are open to the public.

**Up-Coming Community Events!**

*HNC has made a spotlight corner for our neighbors to highlight their businesses or organization.*

*If you are interested in advertising in the VIBE please call the office at 612-529-6033 or dhawkins @hawthorneneighborhoodcouncil.org*

*We now have an electronic monthly newsletter. Look for it via email, website, FaceBook or Nextdoor Hawthorne and Instagram.*



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**FLOW Northside Arts Crawl**

FLOW is an event that showcases the art being made every day in the North Minneapolis area. This year the event is held on July 27th on the West Broadway corridor at both indoor and outdoor venues.

The event theme this year is the celebration of brilliance and beauty in the community. Come to the arts crawl for a self-guided tour of the different arts spaces.



For more info about different events, visit [northmpls.org/flow](http://northmpls.org/flow).

**Minnesota State Fair**

More commonly known as “The Great Minnesota Get-Together,” the Minnesota State Fair has gained nationwide attention for boasting the largest yearly attendance record of any state fair.



This family-friendly event has animals, amusement rides, and food from your wildest dreams. The fair dates this year are August 22 through September 2nd. Join us at the fair for a fun event for the whole family.

For more info, visit [mnstatefair.org](http://mnstatefair.org).

**Minneapolis Monarch Festival**



On September 7th from 10am-4pm on Lake Nokomis join us for a festival celebrating the 2,300 mile journey monarch butterflies take to migrate from Mexico to Minnesota. The Minneapolis Monarch Festival is a beautiful event you won't want to miss.

With events like the costume parade, a mariachi band, salsa dancing, traditional Hispanic foods, making piñata's and more, it's an event fun for the whole family. For more info, be sure to visit [monarchfestival.org](http://monarchfestival.org).

**Open Streets Minneapolis - West Broadway**

Are you a regular biker, walker, rollerblader, or skateboarder? Then the Open Streets of Minneapolis on West Broadway is made for you!

On September 14th from 11am-5pm, West Broadway from Penn Ave N to Lyndale Ave N will be open to pedestrians of all kinds. Be sure to check out the local artists and community groups on the streets.



Presented by: **our streets MPLS** and **Minneapolis City of Lakes**