

# District 1 News

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*Eastview, Conway, Battle Creek & Highwood Neighborhood News*

## City Wide Clean Up Event – Success!

**District 1 does it again!** The City Wide Clean Up Event (Saturday, June 23, 8 am – 1 pm at Harding High School parking lot) was a huge success! A big “Thank You!” to the 80 volunteers that came out in the heat and sun to help, including boys from Boys Totem Town and kids from the District 1 Youth Mentor Group. We couldn’t have done it without you!

We had over **590 cars come through in 5 hours** to drop of their “stuff”. There was a report that cars were stretched back on 3<sup>rd</sup> Street to White Bear Avenue. The wait in line was anywhere from 30 – 75 minutes, depending on what time of day people came. For having so many cars we moved them through pretty quickly – getting cars through on average 1 car every minute! That includes calculating their load, getting them a receipt, having them pay and getting them into the unloading area.

We did have a police officer conducting traffic at the entrance this year and people were allowed in only from one direction. Although it didn’t completely eliminate people cutting inline it did reduce it to a minimum. Almost all of the folks coming through the line were patient, friendly and in good moods. And that of course makes it so much more enjoyable for the volunteers who are out helping for 5 hours in the heat and sun.

A lot of work goes into organizing the East Side City Wide Clean Up ahead of time and our new Executive Director Betsy Mowry-Voss did a great job her first

time with this event. Thank You! to Betsy Leach, our former Executive Director, who guided Betsy Mowry-Voss, gave assistance and even volunteered at the event. Of course there is always room for improvement – if you would like to help next year or have suggestions on how to make this event better contact Betsy at the district office. 651-578-7600 or [district1council@gmail.com](mailto:district1council@gmail.com)

We don’t have info on how much of what was dropped off but we did get this report from the Bike Team: Sixty+ bikes were scrapped (in metal recycling), tires and tubes recycled and parts culled for future use. Fifteen bikes went to CVT (three will have to be scrapped), six bikes went to Express Bike Shop and 4 bikes went out that day to some folks who needed them.

If you still have stuff to drop off – the remaining City Wide Drop Off Events are:

1. **September 15, 8 am – 1 pm**  
*Washington Tech High School, 1495 Rice Street*
2. **September 29, 8 am – 1 pm**  
*Shepard Road – between Davern and Alton*

To learn more about these Citywide Drop-Off Events search online for “*st paul drop off events*”.

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## New Carpet at the District 1 Office & Short Term Relocation

The landlords are replacing the carpet in the District 1 Office – Yay! We've started moving stuff out of our office in preparation for new carpeting. We are relocating things from our space **to the vacant storefront across the walkway**. We have more to move – on **Tuesday, July 3 from 12:00-5:00 p.m. and Tuesday, July 10 from 12:00-5:00 p.m.** **If you can help** any of that time please call the office and let us know – we have heavier furniture that needs to be moved, as well as tons of small/lightweight things. The office will be re-carpeted on Thursday and Friday July 12 & 13.

## 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual EastSide Community of Peace Celebration

Join us for our 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual EastSide Community of Peace Celebration! An event with family games, entertainment and fun! Come make friends, peace and solidarity!

**Saturday, July 21, 12 Noon – 2:00 pm**  
**Battle Creek Rec Center**  
**75 Winthrop St S, St. Paul, MN 55119**

This event will continue as a grassroots tradition of uniting community around the common goal of peace and solidarity.

Come for: Blow up games, Bocce Ball, Bounce House, Climbing Wall, Arts & Crafts, Face Painting, Live Performances, Bike Giveaway, Free Food! Event is weather permitting.

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### Open House/Community Meeting

District 1 is hosting an **open house and community meeting with Councilmember Jane Prince.**

**Wednesday, July 25 from 5:30-7:00 p.m.**  
**District 1 Council Office, 2105 ½ Old Hudson Rd**

We'll be discussing the proposed **minimum wage increase.** Residents are invited to stop by to speak with the Councilmember and get questions answered and learn about the process.

### Popsicle Pop Up Truck

Learn about the City and County's planning process regarding decision-making on land use. Answer a couple questions...get a FREE Popsicle! Bring the kids!

- **Thurs, July 19, 5:30 – 7:30 pm**  
Afton View Apts, Winthrop Street
- **Thurs, July 26, 5:30 – 7:30 pm**  
Shamrock Court Apts, 2236 Lower Afton

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### Upcoming Events (See Calendar on our web page for more info)

- **Land Use Committee**  
July 2 & August 6, 6:30-8:30 pm
- **Exec/Finance Committee**  
July 11 & August 8, 5:30 – 7:00 pm
- **Communications/Outreach/Safety Comm**  
July 15 & August X, 6:00 – 7:30 pm
- **District 1 Comm Council Board Meeting**  
July 30 (no Aug), 6:30 – 8:30 pm, Battle Ck Rec
- **Young Mentor's Group**  
Thursdays, 6:00 – 8:00 pm, Sunray Library
- **East Side Pride Open Mic**  
On Summer Break
- **Meet with Jane Prince (our council person)**  
July 10, 9:00 – 11:00 am, Starbucks (Target)  
July 25, 5:30 – 7:30 pm, Dist 1 Office  
August 21, 3 – 5 pm, Sunray Library
- **Gold Line-Metro Transit Comm Mtgs**  
July 10, 5 - 7 pm, Harding/Eastside Comm Ctr  
July 24, 5 – 7 pm, Culver's on Old Hudson
- **Popsicle Pop Up Truck**  
July 19, 5:30 – 7:30 pm, Afton View Apts  
July 26, 5:30-7:30 pm, Shamrock Ct Apts
- **St Paulitics Ice Cream Social**  
July 5, 5:30 - 7:00pm, Sunray Library
- **Safe Summer Nights**  
Aug 9, 5 - 7:00pm, Conway Rec
- **International Youth Day, Aug 12**
- **Accessory Dwelling Public Hearing, Aug 15**

*Submit ideas and articles by the 10<sup>th</sup> of each month.*

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