Hi Neighbors!

Jeff Baker, CPN President

With summer soon upon us and the weather heating up are you finding creative ways to spend your time and get in some more family time? This summer will look different, but hopefully that can be a positive thing and allow you to participate in activities that you may not have in the past.

Your Curtis Park Neighbors Board and various committees have continued to do their work throughout the neighborhood, and we will be hosting our June 4th General Meeting through video conference via Zoom. This is the link to the meeting: Click here or if you need to manually enter the following in your browser - https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84692079431?pwd=Q1pFN-no3K3prWlRhRkZSQkxJaFl2QT09.

We will hear from Theron Mackley with Resilient Denver. Resilient Denver is currently working with the City’s Sustainability office, now called the Denver Climate Action, Sustainability, and Resiliency Office (DenverCASR) and the Climate Action Task Force to reach some bold and urgent climate action solutions and find sustainable revenues to fund them.

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Please Support CPN

Please consider a donation to support the Curtis Park Neighbors and this newsletter. You can make your tax deductible contribution online by visiting squareup.com/store/CurtisParkNeighbors.

Curtis Park Neighbors Meet Thursday, June 4th 2020
This will be a virtual meeting. See Instructions on this page.

6:30 Police update and Briefing

CPN General Meeting, June 4th, 7:00-8:00
1. Resilient Denver-20 minutes
2. Deanne Gertner and Castle Searcy-PS you are here art project at Mestizo Curtis Park Pool-10 minutes
3. Denver Delivery Network-Robbie-10 minutes
4. Committee updates-10 minutes
5. Website release-5 minutes

CPN Meetings Go Virtual Until Further Notice

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Our CPN General Meetings will be virtual for a while! Please join us June 4th in Zoom at this website address:

https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84692079431?pwd=Q1pFN-no3K3prWlRhRkZSQkxJaFl2QT09 or Click Here or see the link at curtispark.org

Meeting ID: 846 9207 9431
Password: CPN2020*

Meeting protocol:
- Use your real first name as an attendee!
- Stay on mute unless you are speaking-
- Post questions in the chat
- Be kind and patient with others
Neighbors (cont.)

Deanne Gertner and Castle Searcy will give us a quick update in the new art installation at Mestizo-Curtis Park pool. Robbie Hobein and David Millis will give an update and share information about the Denver Delivery Network, website here: Denver Delivery Network. We will have a few committee updates and a short introduction to the new Curtis Park Neighbors website from Paul Davidson. Thanks Paul, for all your time and effort you put into this new go to resource for the neighborhood. This should be the place you turn to learn about what is going on in your neighborhood.

Curtis Park Meal Train

Don't forget about the Curtis Park Meal Train that delivers local food on Friday evenings to kick off your weekend. Thanks to Ben Reisler, Meredith and Joe Latson for starting the Curtis Park Meal Train, and the volunteers that are making the Meal Train deliveries happen!

Holiday Bunting

It's time to dust off and freshen up your Holiday Bunting Flags with the 4th of July right around the corner. Again, this year we are asking neighbors to participate in decorating of their homes with the bunting flags, as this lifts the energy of the neighborhood by adding a festive feeling in the air. These really fit into the historic character of the neighborhood, as they date way back to 17th century shipping flags and have been used ever since. If you do not have yours yet, a simple Google search will bring up many affordable options with a variety of styles. Please decorate your home to help create a fun, cohesive and festive vibe in Curtis Park this summer.

Curtis Park Neighbors Help Those in Need

Robbie Hobein & David Millis

We started Denver Delivery Network in early March, a ‘pop-up’ group of volunteers who shop for and deliver essential items to our neighbors affected by the COVID-19 pandemic. We are here to help anyone who is at risk of infection, already sick or symptomatic, or have been exposed to the virus. Clients cover the cost of purchased items, by reimbursement (through Venmo, Zelle, SNAP/EBT, cash or check), but the delivery is at no additional cost. We follow the CDC’s best practices for limiting exposure and spread of the virus.

Our group is made up of 22 volunteer “runners” and four “dispatchers” who staff the phone and website ordering system from 8am to 8pm each day, and we can normally fulfill orders in a day or two. Most of our volunteers live right here in Curtis Park and Five Points! There are three aspects of our mission

1) Allow affected neighbors to stay home by fetching supplies they need for them, often by bicycle! 2) Reduce/slow the spread of infection and “flatten the curve”. 3) Offer encouragement and human contact during a time of "social distancing" and isolation.

To request a delivery, click on “I need supplies” from the website: denverdeliverynetwork.org, or call 970-316-4036.

Curtis Park Residences at 27th and Arapahoe

Fourteen more affordable units are completed and for sale at 27th and Arapahoe. These units turned out really well, thanks to the input of the Community Advisory Committee. These beautiful rowhomes fit the character of historic Curtis Park with modern features and amenities inside. Walk by and take a look for yourself to see what a well done, neighborhood fitting affordable project looks like.

To volunteer as a delivery “Runner,” you music have access to a smartphone and transportation to pick-up and deliver items, pass a background check, possess a valid driver’s license and prove current auto-insurance (if you own a car). Please note that runners are asked to purchase items out of pocket, in advance, then get reimbursed by clients. Sign up by clicking “I want to volunteer” on the website.

We need you help getting the word out about our services to our neighbors who cannot or should not go out, so please share this information to those who might need it, and keep this info handy in case YOU need us! If you’re interested in joining our outreach team, or have other skills you would like to lend, please sign up by filling out our volunteer form.

Denver Delivery Network is a Non-profit Corporation registered with the State of Colorado, EIN 85-0523608.

denverdeliverynetwork@gmail.com
denverdeliverynetwork.org

See ad on back page of newsletter
**Mestizo-Curtis Park & Stout Street Children’s Park Projects Moving Forward!**

*Jeff Baker*

**Mestizo-Curtis Park**

Parks and Recreation is getting ready to put this out to bid and planning to start construction in September 2020 and go through the winter and into the spring of 2021. There may be the potential that they may be able to start sooner depending on how long it takes for bidding if there is still a block on permitted events.

**Stout Street Children’s Park**

Parks and Recreation is getting ready to kick-off the construction document phase. They are planning for this one to go to construction in Q3 2021. They will need some additional community input on the play tower. There may also be the opportunity for community fundraising to buy additional elements or a fancier tower if that is desired. See design below.

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**Platte Valley Lots Coming up for Sale**

The DHA lots at 30th and Champa known as the Platte Valley site will be coming on the market soon. Two of the Platte Valley lots were donated to Habitat for Humanity to build affordable homes on those lots. DHA has finished remodeling the existing buildings on the site and the remaining lots will be sold with funds used for DHA to build more affordable housing. DHA also recently completed another affordable senior housing facility at 34th and Arapahoe. They gained one housing unit with this addition and with the remaining units at Platte Valley.

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**Altius Farms**

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**Make a Difference! Volunteer With Us**

The Housing Options Team (HOT) is a group of neighbors who are “on call” to engage in a safe and appropriate way with our unhoused neighbors. While visiting encampments in the neighborhood, we reach out to campers to share what services are available to them and to connect them with better housing options than camping in the public right of way.

This group works closely with area service providers, the police and other residents as part of this process.

Additionally this group meets each Wednesday at 10:30 AM tending the planters, picking up trash and planting flowers in parks and public spaces throughout the neighborhood. If this is interesting to you, please contact Ryan Cox by email at ryancurtispark@gmail.com
Resources
Denver City Government
www.DenverGov.org, or call 3-1-1

Blair-Caldwell Library
2401 Welton Street, (720) 865-2401
Mon./Wed.: Noon – 8 p.m.
Tue./Thu./Fri.: 10 a.m. – 6 p.m.
Sat.: 9 a.m. – 5 p.m.

Denver City Council
District 9
Candi CdeBaca, (720) 337-7709
candi.cdebaca@denvergov.org
Elbra M. Wedgeworth Municipal Building
2855 Tremont Place, Suite 201

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Councilwoman Robin Kniech
Robin.Kniech@denvergov.org
(720) 337-7712

Councilwoman Debbie Ortega
Deborah.ortega@denvergov.org
(720) 337-7713

Denver Public Schools
(720) 423-3200, www.DPSK12.org

Homeless Outreach
Police non-emergency: (720) 913-2000

Mayor’s Neighborhood Liaison
Shawn Johnson,(720) 913-1311

Police
Emergencies: Dial 911
Non-Emergency: (720) 913-2000
Dist. 2 (north 25th Street) RSO:
Hana Ruiz (720) 913-1089
hulan.ruiz@denvergov.org
Dist. 6 (south 25th Street) RSO:
Teresa Gillian (720) 913-2908
teresa.gillian@denvergov.org
Austen Munson (720) 913-2906
austen.munson@denvergov.org

Elected RTD Representative
Shontel Lewis, (720) 935-8284
shontel.lewis@rtd-denver.com

Trash Pickup - Overflow Pickup
The next Large Item pickup is
Wednesday, June 17th
For free appliance collection, call
800-479-4159.

Xcel Energy
Electric Emergency/Power Outage
(800) 895-1999
Gas Emergency / Gas Odor
(800) 895-2999

To report non-permitted exterior work
to Landmark email: abigail.christman@denver.gov.org or call
(720) 865-2908.

Short Term Rental Enforcement
Brian Snow (720) 865-2750

Curtis Park Neighbors is an officially incorporated non-profit neighborhood organization bringing our neighborhood together to share in preserving the past and future of Curtis Park. We welcome all neighbors in Curtis Park and encourage participation in Curtis Park Neighbors and in the life of the community. Please pass along this newsletter and bring a neighbor to the meetings!

The spirit of the Curtis Park Times is to communicate information about topics and concerns of our neighborhood. The opinions expressed do not necessarily reflect the views or policies of Curtis Park Neighbors. To provide newsletter articles or place advertising, contact us at cpn-newsletter@googlegroups.com or (720)273–0623. The next newsletter deadlines are June 17th for ads, and June 20th for articles.

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