



Hi Neighbors!

Ryan Cox, CPN President

Happy New Year Curtis Park! As we say goodbye (and perhaps good riddance) to 2020, we look forward to the hope and promise that a new year brings.



Although 2020 was a most unusual and challenging year, our neighborhood should be proud of the work done to keep our neighbors healthy and thriving. As the pandemic struck, Robbie Hobein and David Millis started the Denver Delivery Network, a group of volunteers dedicated to helping vulnerable neighbors with common needs, such as delivering groceries, prescriptions and other necessities. A separate group of neighbors organized the Curtis Park Meal Train in an effort to support local businesses most impacted with restrictions. Curtis Park Neighbors also supported the concept and worked closely with the City and service providers in implementing Safe Outdoor Spaces for unhoused residents to improve safety and health conditions for everyone involved,

two of which recently opened in Capitol Hill and Uptown.

While we continue to face challenges as we enter 2021, particularly over the next few months, there is also much to be optimistic and hopeful about. The coming year will bring new projects to the neighborhood, such as the Platte Valley lots across Champa from Mestizo Curtis Park, planning for the Greyhound facilities, several developments

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Curtis Park Neighbors Meet Thursday, January 7th, 2021

CPN Annual Members Meeting, January 7th,
7:00pm via Zoom Click [here](#)

Or enter in your browser: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/3572396571?pwd=WWdWd-VZQsXR6bGo2TmZzckxuL0NGZz09>

Meeting ID: 357 239 6571

Password: CPN-2020

- 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

CPN Annual Members Meeting
January 7th, 7:00-8:30

- Agenda:

- Welcome & Introduction
- Timothy O'Brien - Denver Auditor's Office
- Neighbors Roundtable

Next CPN General Meeting February 4th, 2021

CPN Board Meeting
January 18th-6:00-7:00pm
Location and Format T.B.D.

Recycle Your

Christmas Tree

Hey Denver, don't trash your tree! Between January 4-15, Denver residents can recycle their Christmas trees through Denver's Treecycle program. Trees collected through the Treecycle program are turned into mulch that is made available to Denver residents, for free, at the annual Mulch Giveaway and Compost Sale event in May!

January 2021

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Tree Collection Day

Your tree must be set out by 7 a.m. on your scheduled trash collection day.

Neighbors (cont.)

along the neighborhood's eastern border of Downing, as well as the completion of the AVA Apartments at 26th and Arapahoe, among others. We hope to welcome new businesses too. A coffee shop is coming soon at 31st and Champa, new business opportunities in the office/retail space of Downing developments, an urgent care, Cassidy's Gelato Cafe on Champa Street, a market concept at S*Park and many others along the neighboring Larimer and Welton Corridors.

As vaccines are beginning to be administered, we are hopeful for a return to some semblance of normalcy in the not too distant future. In the meantime, let's all commit to supporting our local businesses and to take care of one another.

Lastly, please join us on Thursday, January 7th at 7:00 pm for the Curtis Park Neighbors General Meeting. We will have Timothy O'Brien with the Denver Auditor's Office join us to provide updates on recent audits and what's happening in the city. Having completed several audits in 2020 that are relevant to our community such as neighborhood sidewalk repair program, Caring for Denver, and Affordable Housing Programs, among many others, this promises to be an informative presentation you won't want to miss.

We will also welcome our new board members, Julie Rubsam and Ellie Benjamin, as well as have a Neighbors Roundtable. Please bring your ideas and suggestions as we will be soliciting feedback on the issues and topics that neighbors would like to see Curtis Park Neighbors prioritize.

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.

Denver Delivery Network -Helping Neighbors

Robbie Hobein & David Millis
denverdeliverynetwork.org

I'm writing to let you all know about Denver Delivery Network, 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 volunteer "runners" and "dispatchers" who staff our voicemail/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:

- Allow affected neighbors to stay home by fetching supplies they need for them, often by bicycle!
- Reduce/slow the spread of infection and "flatten the curve".
- 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.



Denver Delivery Network

WE NEED VOLUNTEERS! To volunteer as a delivery "Runner," you must have access to a smartphone and transportation to pick up and deliver items, possess a valid driver's license (if you will be driving for deliveries) and prove current auto-insurance. If at any time you are sick or exposed to COVID, you cannot deliver. Please note that runners are asked to purchase items out of pocket, in advance, then get reimbursed by clients (or us), or deliver for a food bank. We'd love your help! Please sign up by clicking "I want to volunteer" on the website.

We need your help getting the word out about our services to our neighbors who cannot or should not go out. If you're interested in joining our community and outreach team, or have other skills you would like to lend, sign up by filling out our volunteer form.

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

Thank you!

denverdeliverynetwork@gmail.com

Help Needed for 11th Annual Ice Festival

Ice Festival volunteers and donors needed: In March we will celebrate winter with the 11th Annual Curtis Park Ice Festival. This small neighborhood event gives neighbors a chance to get outside and enjoy a winter afternoon with neighbors at a safe social

distance. To make sure the event is safe and fun, we need help! If you'd like to volunteer to help organize, run or fund the event this year, please email or text John Hayden at 303-297-3994/haydenpryor@msn.com

Be a Great Neighbor!

Everyone enjoys safe, clear sidewalks – and it's everyone's responsibility to keep the sidewalks adjacent to their home or business clear and accessible. Shovel all sidewalks, wheelchair ramps, and bus stops around your home as soon as it's practical and safe. Businesses have 4 hours after the snow stops to shovel, and residents have 24 hours. (RTD only shovels bus stops that have a shelter. If it's just a sign with no shelter, the resident/business is responsible for this sidewalk.)

Show kindness and offer to help your neighbors if they aren't able to shovel! Neighbors helping neighbors is one of the things that makes Denver great. You can volunteer to be an official "snow angel" at denvergov.org/snowangels or just do a #NeighborCheck. There are all sorts of reasons why people may need assistance, or they may just not know what the city's rules are for keeping sidewalks clear. A simple conversation with a neighbor or just lending that helping hand will almost always resolve a snowy sidewalk faster than the city can, and it will preserve city resources for the rest of Denver's 3,000 miles of sidewalks.

Tips:

- Use the shovel to push the snow; don't lift it.
- Shovel early! When snow isn't shoveled, it gets packed down and becomes ice. Shoveling all the way to the pavement will also prevent ice from forming.
- Shovel into your yard, so the snow plow doesn't push it back onto your sidewalk.
- Shovel away from roadways and bike lanes, so plows don't push the snow back onto your sidewalks.
- Salt can be damaging when it runs off into your lawn or the storm sewer with the snowmelt. Look for eco-friendly and pet-safe deicers.
- Be proactive and come up with a plan for addressing sidewalks now, before it's snowing.

Learn more at www.denvergov.org/Snow.



Spring Trees

Lynne Brown

Denver Digs Trees will be distributing trees this year though a bit more limited. January 11-15th they will be contacting all the people who were awarded a tree last year to see if they still want one this year. Those people will be first in line for trees this spring. (Last year's distribution was cancelled because of COVID-19.)

January 18th outreach begins for everyone else. Denver Digs will have 500 trees to distribute. The Curtis Park Tree Committee will be again leaving door hangers on neighbors' doors who would benefit from having a tree. Let's make Curtis Park green!

Jazz in the Park

John Hayden

First Friday Jazz in the Park- February 5th from 5:30 pm to 7:00 pm. While we can't yet enjoy music inside due to the pandemic, we can go for a stroll in the park and enjoy some outdoor Jazz on Cousins Plaza at historic Sonny Lawson Park. On Friday, February 5th from 5:30 pm to 7:00 pm there will be a jazz trio performing on the plaza. Walk on over and remember to wear your masks and keep at least 6 feet from people not in your household. If it snows or it's below 30 degrees we will postpone till the first Friday in March.

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Support Local Small Businesses

With the holidays over please continue supporting the many small businesses in our neighborhood. 2020 has been an extremely difficult year for everyone and many of our local businesses are suffering. Many of these have become staples in our daily lives and we want them to stay in the neighborhood.

Thank you to all the neighborhood volunteers! We couldn't do this without you!



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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(720) 337-7712

Councilwoman Debbie Ortega

Deborah.Ortega@denvergov.org

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Denver Public Schools

(720) 423-3200, www.DPSK12.org

Homeless Outreach

Police non-emergency: (720) 913-2000

Mayor's Neighborhood Liaison

Shawn Johanson, (720) 913-1311

Police

Emergencies: Dial 911

Non-Emergency: (720) 913-2000

Dist. 2 (north 25th Street) RSO:

Hana Ruiz (720) 913.1089

hana.ruiz@denvergov.org

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Teresa Gillian (720) 913-2908

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Austen Munson (720) 913-2906

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Elected RTD Representative

Shontel Lewis, (720) 935-8284

shontel.lewis@rtd-denver.com

Trash Pickup - Overflow Pickup

The next Large Item pickup is

Jan 25th to 29th

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.Christ-

man@denver.gov or call

(720) 865-2908.

Short Term Rental Enforcement

Brian Snow (720) 865-2750



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Neighborhood Internet Resources

CurtisPark.org

Provides a wealth of information: History of CP, info in Curtis Park Neighbors, info for ALL homeowners in the historic district, home alterations, ADUs, home styles, tax credits, and a very comprehensive resource list of special products, services, links, and so much more!

Curtis Park Neighbors on Facebook

[www.facebook.com/groups/curtisparke/](http://www.facebook.com/groups/curtisparke)

Curtis Park Neighbors "Announce" Group

Just the basics! We encourage everyone to join this e-mail group. Receive the Curtis Park Times & special announcements. To join, send an email to: Curtis-Park-Neighbors-Announce+subscribe@googlegroups.com

Curtis Park Neighbors "Notices" Group

Super-detailed! Receive all of the notices that the City and other organizations send to Curtis Park Neighbors. Zoning notices, liquor license applications, etc. all come through here. To join, send an email to: CurtisParkNeighbors+subscribe@googlegroups.com

Curtis Park Design Review Committee

Receive updates on new development and building modifications under review by the Denver Landmark Commission. To join, send an email to: cpn-drc-announcements+subscribe@googlegroups.com. Questions about projects, email Keith Pryor: KPRyor13@gmail.com.

DHA / Curtis Park Community Advisory Committee

Provide feedback and guide the Denver Housing Authority's plans for their property holdings in the Curtis Park area. Write to: CPN-DHA-CAC+subscribe@googlegroups.com

Curtis Park Safety and Security Group

Collaborate on finding solutions to current and long-term safety and security topics in the neighborhood. Write to: cpn-security+subscribe@googlegroups.com

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 Jan. 20th for ads, and Jan. 23rd for articles.

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CPN Board of Directors

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