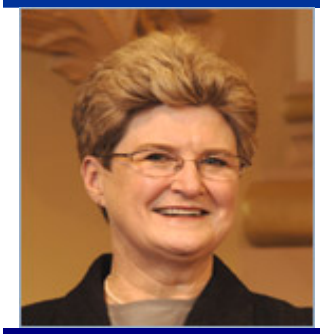

Fourth Ward Report

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Minneapolis 311
Dial 311 from any phone in the City limits. Outside of the City call: 612-673-3000

E-mail 311:
Minneapolis311@ci.minneapolis.mn.us

311 Online Services:
http://www.ci.minneapolis.mn.us/311/online-services.asp

4th Ward Neighborhood Group Links

Cleveland

Folwell

Lind Bohanon

Jordan

Shingle Creek

Victory

Webber Camden

Tornado Recovery & Property Values

Appraisers from the City Assessor's Office are out in north side neighborhoods assessing the tornado damage to homes and buildings. If there's damage to a property, the assessor will be recalculating that property's value for 2012 using the property's "as is" value with damage. This will result in a lower property tax for the 2012 tax year. In cases where properties have damage of more than 50 percent, property owners are eligible for a reduction on their 2011 property taxes, plus a credit towards their 2012 property taxes. If the property is homesteaded, the application for the reductions will be handled by the city. If the property is not homesteaded, it's up to the property owners to apply for the reductions. The application forms will be available on the city's website soon. Property owners who qualify will receive reimbursement if they've already paid their 2011 property taxes. If they have not yet paid their 2011 taxes, the county will send them the revised property tax amounts later this year.

For more information about the Minneapolis Tornado Recovery, please visit: http://www.ci.minneapolis.mn.us/tornado/

Curfew for Minneapolis Youth

It is important for both parents and children to know the curfew rules. Hennepin County Ordinance No. 16, Sub. A, B, or C, establishes the times youth are to be at home on weekdays and weekends. Curfews are set for youth ages 17 and under. The first ticket is $25.00, the second is $50.00, and a third ticket could result in a court date. Youth with a prior record are required to go to court when the first ticket is issued. For more information visit http://www.ci.minneapolis.mn.us/Police/forms/languages/Curfew.pdf

Under 12 years old
Sun. - Thurs. - Home by 9:00 PM
Fri. & Sat. - Home by 10:00 PM

12-14 years old
Sun. - Thurs. - Home by 10:00 PM
Fri. & Sat. - Home by 11:00 PM

15-17 years old
Sun. - Thurs. - Home by 11:00 PM
Fri. & Sat. - Home by 12:00 PM

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Additional Funding Approved for North Side Neighborhoods Impacted by Tornado

The Minneapolis City Council approved on Friday, July 1 an additional $600,000 in funding to support neighborhood organizations in the areas impacted by the tornado. The funds will help build capacity for community-led recovery and rebuilding efforts.

The "Rebuilding Our Communities Fund" is a two-year program and the $600,000 in funding will come from post-2009 interest earnings from the non-Tax Increment Financing portion of the Neighborhood Revitalization Program fund. The allocation of these funds for this program will not affect any existing neighborhood funding commitments. The program will specifically be for Folwell, Harrison, Jordan, McKinley, Webber-Camden, and Willard-Hay neighborhoods, which were those impacted by the tornado.

The Rebuilding Our Communities Fund will help build the capacity of neighborhood organizations so that they play a lead role in the effort to:

- engage existing community organizations and volunteers
- identify ongoing and evolving needs of the community
- advocate for continued resources for the community to federal, state and local authorities
- identify gaps in service delivery, and capture the momentum to reshape the future of their communities.

National Night Out

National Night Out 2011 is coming up! Look forward to the 27th Annual NNO to occur on Tuesday, August 2, 2011.

National Night Out is an annual nationwide event that encourages residents to get out in the community, holding block parties and getting to know their neighbors as a way to encourage crime prevention. It's a great way to promote community-police partnerships and enjoy a Minnesota summer evening surrounded by friends and family. For more information, see the Minneapolis NNO mission statement.

Whether it's your first time planning an event or you're continuing a tradition of years on your block, you can register your event through 311. Remember! If you want to block your street, you can do so for free through July 19. Not all streets can be blocked, depending on traffic flow. From July 20 through July 28, there is a $100 fee. After July 28 no applications for blocking off a street will be allowed.

Breakfast with Barb

Please join me on: **Tuesday, July 26**
7:30 – 8:30 a.m.
Lowry Café, 2207 Lowry Ave. N.

Minneapolis Public Works staff will be discussing 4th Ward Public Works projects: 49th Ave. resurfacing; 37th Ave. Greenway; Tornado Reconstruction; and Camden Bridge Painting. Most breakfasts are under $9.

Frequently Asked Question

Q. How do I report a problem barking dog on my block?

A. Barking dogs can be a nuisance. For detailed information about reporting barking violations and the complaint process, please visit http://www.ci.minneapolis.mn.us/animal-control/barkingdogs.asp

Top 5 Fourth Ward Service Requests to Minneapolis 311

Minneapolis 311 is a simple, three-digit number residents, businesses and visitors can call to reach the City to inquire about services, report problems, check the status of issues, or get information.

June, 2011

Rank	Department Name	Service Request Type	Number of Service Requests
1	Regulatory Services	Exterior Nuisance Complaint	193
2	PW Transportation Maintenance & Repair	Debris in the Street or Alley	131
3	Regulatory Services	Residential Conditions Complaint	54
4	Regulatory Services	Animal Complaint - Livability	52
5	Regulatory Services	Abandoned Vehicle	41