



# Fourth Ward Report

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### Minneapolis 311

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E-mail 311:

[Minneapolis311@ci.minneapolis.mn.us](mailto:Minneapolis311@ci.minneapolis.mn.us)

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### 4<sup>th</sup> Ward Neighborhood Group Links

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Folwell

Lind Bohanon

Jordan

Shingle Creek

Victory

Webber Camden

### Contact Us

**Phone:** 612-673-2204



## Grants Available to Community Groups for Environmental Education

Hennepin County is looking to partner with neighborhood and community groups to use a recently developed toolkit to educate and actively engage their community in reducing waste, recycling, disposing properly of hazardous items, conserving energy and protecting water resources. The toolkit includes background on environmental issues and activity ideas that are appropriate for adults, teens and youth. Selected community groups will receive training, technical assistance and up to \$5,000 for implementing a sustainable, environmental education project. Applications are due Nov. 15. Learn more about the project and talk with project managers at a pre-proposal information meeting on **Oct. 20 at Sumner Library from 5 - 6 p.m.** The toolkit, proposal guidelines and information about the information meeting can be found at [www.hennepin.us/communityPOWER](http://www.hennepin.us/communityPOWER).

## Absentee voting

Election Day is just a few weeks away. If you know you won't be able to vote in person on Tuesday Nov. 2, you can arrange to vote by absentee ballot. Absentee voting can be done in person or by mail. If you're an eligible voter in Minneapolis, you can vote by absentee ballot for any of the following reasons:

You'll be away from your precinct on Election Day.

You have an illness or disability.

You're observing a religious discipline or holiday.

You're serving as an election judge in another precinct.

There's been an emergency declared by governor or quarantine declared by federal or state government.

Absentee ballot applications are available on our website. To apply for an absentee ballot, go to [www.ci.minneapolis.mn.us/elections](http://www.ci.minneapolis.mn.us/elections) and click on "absentee voting."



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## North Minneapolis Bike Walk Center

As a result of ongoing conversations with North Minneapolis residents and outreach into the community, City of Minneapolis Bike Walk Ambassadors have identified numerous barriers to biking and walking throughout the city. In north Minneapolis, one of the most critical barriers is the lack of a place to purchase affordable biking and walking products and services. The Minneapolis Department of Health and Family Support (MDHFS) is responding to these concerns by funding the start-up of a Bike Walk Center that will open in North Minneapolis by Fall of 2011. MDHFS issued a request for proposals to identify an operator for the Bike Walk Center (available at <http://www.ci.minneapolis.mn.us/dhfs/rfp.asp>). Proposals are due October 27, 2010. The goal with this project is to have a successful, sustainable business in place that will be an asset to the community for years to come. The North Minneapolis Bike Walk Center will be a retail business that will offer bicycle and walking products and services and encourage residents in their efforts to bike and walk for transportation and recreation. If you have any comments, ideas or suggestions about the Bike Walk Center, please contact Kristen Klingler, CPPW Coordinator, at (612) 673-2910 or [Kristen.klingler@ci.minneapolis.mn.us](mailto:Kristen.klingler@ci.minneapolis.mn.us).

## Top 5 Fourth Ward Service Requests to

*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.*



Rank	Department Name	Service Request Type	Number of Service Requests
1	Regulatory Services	Exterior Conditions Complaint	100
2	Regulatory Services	Residential Conditions Complaint	88
3	Regulatory Services	Animal Complaint - Livability	57
4	Regulatory Services	Abandoned Vehicle	53
5	Public Works (Solid Waste/Recycling)	Graffiti Complaint/Reporting	48