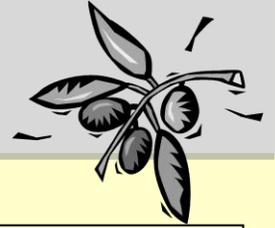


# MARSHALL TERRACE MINUTES



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## NRP Phase II Housing Funds Available Now

Spring is around the corner. It's time to get those home repair projects started, and now is the perfect time to apply for extra funding.

The Concerned Citizens of Marshall Terrace (CCMT) has contracted with Neighborhood Community Relations (NCR) and the City of Minneapolis to make **Neighborhood Revitalization Program (NRP) Phase II Housing funding available to Marshall Terrace residents.**

The Center for Energy and Environment (CEE) will be the originator for all three types of loans available. *(Please see the insert in the newsletter for eligibility information.)*

The three types of loans are:

- 1) **Matching Deferred Loans** are available on a first-come-first-served basis and are subject to eligibility requirements. Residents must complete an application to be eligible for a Matching Deferred Loan. A completed application entails: submitting the application online or in writing, talking with a CEE loan officer, completing the CEE inspection process, submitting all contractor bids or estimates for the home remodel/repairs, and completing the loan closing process.

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- 2) **Low-Interest Loans** are available for residents who meet eligibility and credit requirements, using the same application process as the Matching Deferred Loan.
- 3) **Emergency Deferred Loans** are available for case-by-case emergencies. See the insert for the definition of emergency and eligibility requirements.

Residents may apply for all loans for which they meet the requirements listed in the insert. The inserts contain information about these loans in English, Spanish, Hmong, and Somali.

For more information, or to begin the application process, call CEE at 612-335-5884, or apply online at [www.mnlendingcenter.org](http://www.mnlendingcenter.org).

### Monthly Neighborhood Meeting

Remember: every third Thursday of the month is the Marshall Terrace Neighborhood Public Meeting. All residents are invited and encouraged to attend:

**WHERE:** RiverVillage Community Room, 2919 Randolph St. NE

**WHEN:** Thursday, February 19, 7:00PM

## ESNS Offers FREE Tax Preparation



Eastside Neighborhood Services, located at 1700 2<sup>nd</sup> St. NE, is offering FREE tax preparation to income-qualifying individuals on a first-come, first-served basis.

To receive these services, you must meet the following income guidelines.

### Qualifying Annual Incomes:

Individuals = \$30,000 or less

Families = \$53,000 or less

Self-employed = \$53,000 or less

### Schedule:

- Tuesdays/Thursdays: 5:45PM (sign-in at 5:15 PM)
- Saturdays: 9:00 AM (sign-in at 8:15 AM)

Arrive when sign-in starts to get in line.

*Please do not arrive before sign-in.*

ESNS cannot guarantee that all people in line will be served, but they will try. The clinic closes when capacity is reached. Please allow 2-4 hours for preparation.

Seniors 55 + and those with disabilities can schedule an appointment on Mondays from 2-5PM or Wednesdays from 5-8PM by calling 612-781-6011.

For more information on ESNS, visit their website at [www.esns.org](http://www.esns.org)

## Friday Fish Fry Lunches

RiverVillage East will host fish fry lunches on Fridays from Feb 20th through March 27th. Each lunch will also feature entertainment.

Lunch starts at 12:00PM and the entertainment will start at 1:00PM. For \$8.00 per person you will receive deep-fried walleye, french fries, coleslaw, a dinner roll, dessert, and a beverage

Reservations are requested. To make reservations, please call 612-605-2500.

### Event Details:

**DATES:** Fridays from February 20-March 27

**TIME:** Noon - 2:00PM

**LOCATION:** RiverVillage East, 2919 Randolph St. NE

## Marshall Terrace is Online!

[www.marshallterrace.org](http://www.marshallterrace.org)

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*Our Facebook page just received its 100<sup>th</sup> "Like"!*

[www.facebook.com/marshallterraceminneapolis](http://www.facebook.com/marshallterraceminneapolis)



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## Help for Struggling Homeowners Needing Home Repair

A Brush with Kindness is a home repair and restoration program of Twin Cities Habitat for Humanity. A Brush with Kindness helps homeowners with painting, repairs, and critical health & safety issues. Their program works in partnership with municipalities and agencies in the Twin Cities to assist struggling homeowners remain living in a safe, healthy home.



In 2014, they served 130 families in the Twin Cities. Much of their work occurs in the inner cities of Minneapolis and St. Paul. Also, this past year they moved their ABWK offices/warehouse to Northeast Minneapolis and are looking to do more work in their new “backyard” (i.e. the neighborhoods of NE Minneapolis.)

Their typical home improvement projects include exterior painting, minor repairs, siding, porches/decks, and windows. Their interior projects include painting, minor patching, and some flooring work. They also do a few larger projects and accessibility work including roofing, ramps, railings, and some electrical and plumbing.

Their requirements for the program include filling out an application, having an income below 60% AMI, having a significant repair need, and willingness to help and work on your project alongside volunteers if you are capable.

If you live in a household struggling to fix up your home and could benefit from their services, call them at 612-788-8169 or go to their website at [www.tchabitat.org/abwk](http://www.tchabitat.org/abwk) to get more information, apply online, or download an application.

## FREE Computer Repair, Education, & Tech Support

Fix-It Tech events offer free technology support to Minneapolis residents. The City of Minneapolis developed **Fix-It Tech events** with community partners in response to the Minneapolis Community Technology survey results and their experiences working with residents on their technology needs.

If your computer or laptop is slow, not working, or seems to have a virus, bring it in for free tech support. The Fix-It Tech volunteers will teach valuable repair skills, answer questions, and give technical advice about your device.

Help is offered on a first-come, first-served basis. Labor will be FREE. Parts will be available to purchase. Bring your laptop, and/or desktop tower, and power cord. Volunteers will help with smart phones and tablets based on capacity.

### Fix-It Tech Event Details:

**DATE:** Friday, February 27<sup>th</sup>

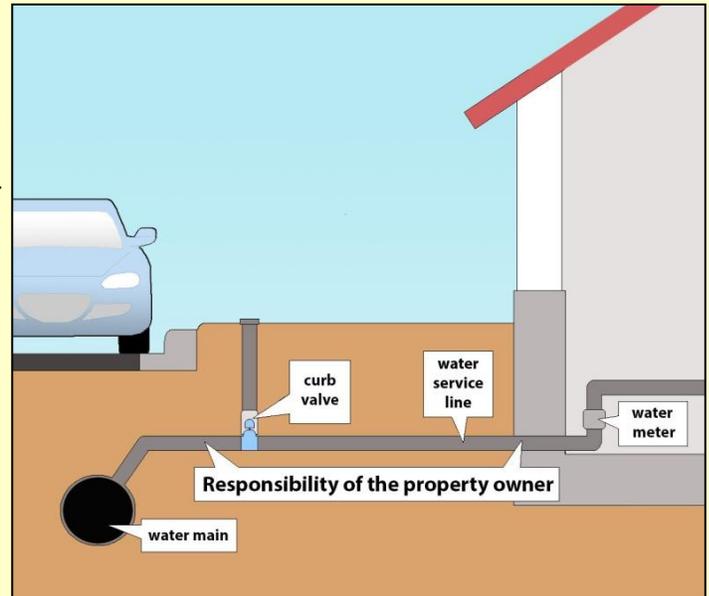
**TIME:** 3:00PM – 7:00PM

**LOCATION:** Oak Park Center – Pillsbury United Communities

## Pay Attention to Your Water Lines in Winter

Minneapolis takes care of about 1,000 miles of underground water mains throughout the city. Wherever homes or businesses connect to the water mains, the owners of those properties have the responsibility of maintaining their water service lines. That means when underground water lines freeze during extremely cold winters, the property owners must contact and pay a contractor to thaw out the line.

If you have any questions regarding this information, please call the City of Minneapolis Public Works Water Treatment and Distribution Services Division at 612-673-5600.



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### FAQ

#### Why do water service lines freeze?

Water service lines freeze when excessively cold winters cause the depth of the frost to reach the service line.

#### Who is responsible for water service lines?

In the City of Minneapolis, the water service line from the water main to the meter is owned by the property owner. It's the property owner's responsibility to maintain this line (including the curb valve) in good working order.

#### How do I know if my service line is frozen?

If there is no water anywhere in your house, and your supply line and master shut off valves are open, you may have a frozen service line. Contact the City of Minneapolis Water Treatment and Distribution Services Division (*contact info below*) and an inspector can be sent to confirm whether your line is frozen.

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Held monthly on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday at 7:00 PM  
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#### My service line is frozen. What should I do?

If your service line is frozen, you will need to call a qualified contractor who specializes in thawing frozen services. You can call the City of Minneapolis Water Treatment and Distribution Services Division at 612-673-5600 or Minneapolis 311 for information on contractors who do this type of work.

For more information on frozen water service lines, visit the City's website at:

[www.minneapolismn.gov/publicworks/water/WCMS1P-134645](http://www.minneapolismn.gov/publicworks/water/WCMS1P-134645)

