

# MARSHALL TERRACE MINUTES



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## Marshall Terrace Annual Meeting

**SAVE THE DATE:** Please join us **Thursday, April 19<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 PM** for the Marshall Terrace Neighborhood Organization (MTNO) Annual Meeting at RiverVillage Community Room, 2919 Randolph St. NE.

The meeting will provide an opportunity for residents to review our annual report, provide input about new neighborhood goals, and enjoy free refreshments with their neighbors.

We will also be nominating and electing MTNO board members for the coming year. MTNO board members meet monthly to promote the betterment of the neighborhood.

If you're interested in becoming an MTNO board member, we encourage you to attend this meeting and nominate yourself.

If you would like to be on the board but can't attend the meeting, email us at [marshallterraceMPLS@gmail.com](mailto:marshallterraceMPLS@gmail.com).

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It's important that neighbors turn out to participate in this event. Food and beverages from local businesses provided. And it's **FREE**.

Questions? Email us at [marshallterraceMPLS@gmail.com](mailto:marshallterraceMPLS@gmail.com).

## Openings on 15 City Boards and Commissions

There are open positions on 15 City of Minneapolis boards and commissions this spring.

Boards and commissions provide valuable insights, help shape key policy decisions, and provide community-based input on the administration of City services.

What kinds of issues to City boards and commissions focus on? Aging, accessibility, bicycles, capital improvements, racial equity, neighborhood engagement, public health, housing and workforce development, to name a few. View position descriptions, deadlines, and the application at [minneapolisismn.gov/boards/openings](http://minneapolisismn.gov/boards/openings).

You can reach out to the City Clerk's office with additional questions or for more information at 612-673-2216 or via email to [OpenAppointments@minneapolisismn.gov](mailto:OpenAppointments@minneapolisismn.gov).

## Solid Waste & Recycling Survey

Solid Waste & Recycling wants to hear from you!

All City Solid Waste & Recycling customers are invited to participate in a 10-minute services survey. Information gathered from the survey will help staff evaluate current outreach and educational messages and methods, and guide future conversations on potential program changes.



Survey participants will be randomly selected to win one of 40 prizes valued at \$10 each. Thank you in advance for participating in the survey.

The survey can be found at <https://goo.gl/hVQvwS>.

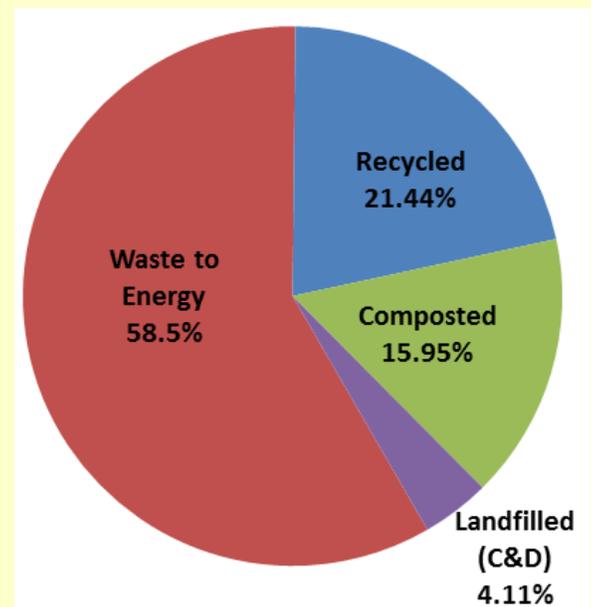
## 2017 Residential Solid Waste & Recycling Overview

Minneapolis Solid Waste & Recycling customers continued to divert more waste from the garbage in 2017 by participating in the City's recycling and organics programs.

In 2017, the amount of garbage sent to the Hennepin Energy Recovery Center decreased by over 1,200 tons and residents recycled 27,235 tons of paper products and plastic, glass, and metal containers that were made into new products.

Residents composted 1,300 more tons of organics than in 2016 and an additional 3,312 homes signed up to start participating in the curbside organics recycling program, composting their leftover food scraps, paper towels, napkins, paper egg cartons, and more.

In 2017, all Minneapolis neighborhoods achieved at least 20% participation in the organics recycling program. In addition, the citywide sign-up rate surpassed 43% and six Minneapolis neighborhoods were awarded Green Partners Grow grants from Hennepin County to continue to increase participation in the organics program in their neighborhoods in 2018.



## Resilient Yard/Turf Alternative Workshops

Unseasonably warm weather, long periods of drought, and flooding rains are the new normal in Minnesota. Metro Blooms is offering two types of resilient yard presentations this year: Resilient Yard Workshops and Turf Alternative workshops.

- **Resilient Yard Workshops (2.5 hours):** Provides a framework to understand the importance of resilience and how it can be fostered in your yard through a variety of practices, including how to install your own raingarden. Following the presentation, attendees receive one-on-one design assistance from Blue Thumb Landscape Designers, Hennepin County Master Gardeners, and Master Water Stewards to create a plan for your own yard.
- **Turf Alternative Workshops (1.5 hours):** Your guide to a low-maintenance lawn. This 1-hour presentation overviews the benefits and options before providing step-by-step instructions to establishing water- and pollinator-friendly perennial ground covers. Suggested turf alternatives minimize the need for irrigation and chemical inputs while maintaining a useable lawn. The presentation is followed by a group discussion to identify and overcome common obstacles faced by homeowners.

All workshops attendees receive information about installation cost share programs and Blue Thumb resources to help get a project in the ground.

<i>Date</i>	<i>Day</i>	<i>Time</i>	<i>Workshop Location</i>	<i>Workshop Type</i>
April 4	Wednesday	6:30-8 PM	Armitage Recreation Center, Minneapolis	Turf Alternatives
April 10	Tuesday	6-8:30 PM	Longfellow Recreation Center, Minneapolis	Resilient Yards
April 19	Thursday	6-8:30 PM	Nokomis Recreation Center, Minneapolis	Resilient Yards
April 24	Tuesday	6:30-8 PM	Longfellow Recreation Center, Minneapolis	Turf Alternatives
April 28	Saturday	11-1:30 PM	North Regional Library, Minneapolis (Free)	Resilient Yards
May 3	Thursday	6:30-8 PM	Nokomis Recreation Center, Minneapolis	Turf Alternatives
May 19	Saturday	11-12:30PM	North Regional Library, Minneapolis (Free)	Turf Alternatives
May 23	Wednesday	6-8:30 PM	Armitage Recreation Center, Minneapolis	Resilient Yards
May 31	Thursday	6-8:30 PM	Audubon Recreation Center, Minneapolis	Resilient Yards
June 7	Thursday	6:30-8 PM	Audubon Recreation Center, Minneapolis	Turf Alternatives

To register, visit [metroblooms.org](http://metroblooms.org) or call 651-699- 2426. The cost is \$15 per household unless otherwise noted.

Register soon as some locations fill up fast!

## Home Buyers Workshops & Credit Repair

NeighborWorks Home Partners (NWHP) is encouraging would-be homebuyers to prepare for the spring buying season by getting familiar with the homebuying process and cleaning up credit scores. Two programs at NWHP help buyers reach their homeownership goals.

HomeOwnership Pathways is a homebuyer readiness program that includes one-on-one advising sessions and financial education with HUD-certified counselors. Advising sessions cover the basics of buying a home, qualifying for a mortgage, what types of mortgages are available, and how personal credit affects buying a home. Sessions also include a credit report review, goal setting, and budgeting, and help customers create an action plan to correct credit report errors and take steps to improve credit scores. There is no charge for the advising sessions, but it is recommended that participants receive a soft-pull credit report at a fee of \$22 for individuals or \$44 for couples.

For more in-depth homebuying information, buyers are encouraged to attend a Home Stretch workshop. In these 8-hour workshops, experts from around the real estate industry teach about what happens at each stage of the homebuying process. Attendees have an opportunity to ask questions and get answers directly from realtors, loan officers, home inspectors, and insurance agents.

Workshops and advising sessions are offered in Minneapolis at City of Lakes Community Land Trust, 1930 Glenwood Avenue.

Registration for classes and advising sessions is online at [nwhomepartners.org/get-ready](http://nwhomepartners.org/get-ready)

### Spring Workshop Dates:

- April 7 (*Hmong language*)
- April 21
- May 12

“We help homebuyers look at the big financial picture,” said Nick Yang, a housing counselor with NWHP. “How does your credit score affect the mortgage you get? What steps should you take before getting pre-approved for a mortgage? In our advising appointments we help buyers understand all of their options, and come up with an action plan so they can reach their goals.”

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**MTNO Public Meetings:**  
Held monthly on the 1st Tuesday at 7:00 PM  
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NeighborWorks Home Partners is a community based nonprofit organization located in Saint Paul and is a member of the national NeighborWorks America network.

The organization currently provides services in English and in Hmong.

More information is available at [nwhomepartners.org](http://nwhomepartners.org).

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