# WELCOME TO PROSPECT PARK!





This guide includes upcoming things to do and see in Prospect Park as well as a list of our neighborhood organizations. These resources are published by Prospect Park Association (PPA), the neighborhood organization for Prospect Park.

You can add resources to this guide by submitting your suggestions <u>here</u>. We update this guide throughout the year.

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#### **ABOUT THE NEIGHBORHOOD**

#### UPCOMING THINGS TO DO & SEE IN PROSPECT PARK

- View the City of Minneapolis skyline at sunset from the base of the <u>Witch's Hat Water Tower</u> in Tower Hill Park
- Attend a U of M <u>Renter's Ed</u> Workshop
- Take a distillery tour at O'Shaughnessy Distilling Co



- Take a yoga class at <u>The Market</u> at Malcolm Yards
- Have a Beijing Mu Shu Pork Rice Bowl at <u>Tea House</u>
- Play disc golf putting at <u>Surly</u> <u>Brewing Field</u>
- Catch a Gophers game at <u>Huntington Stadium</u>
- Start your holiday shopping at <u>The Holiday Market at MYM</u>





Try an Oreo Milk Tea at Feng Cha



Visit the <u>Textile Center's Holiday</u>
 <u>Gallery Shop</u>



- Take a walk on New Year's Eve to see the luminaries
- Celebrate winter solstice at <u>Luxton</u>
   <u>Park's Fire and Ice Festival</u>

#### THE WITCH'S HAT TOWER



The "Witch's Hat" water tower is in Prospect Park, (known as Tower Hill park), the highest natural land area in the city of Minneapolis.

The 110-foot Prospect Park Water Tower was built in 1913 with a holding capacity of 150,000 gallons. It was also built to be a bandstand; however, there was only one concert in the band shell because the musicians experienced difficulty in carrying their instruments up the inside spiral staircase of 101+16 steps. Up until Minneapolis Wi-Fi was deployed in 2010, it housed active city first-responder telecommunications equipment in the roof.

The Prospect Park Water Tower is located at 55 Malcom Avenue S.E. in Minneapolis.

#### STAY CONNECTED

#### PPA MONTHLY NEWSLETTER

Stay informed about PPA's **Board and Committee** meetings, activities and events. SIGN UP HERE

#### THE PPELIST

More than 1,300 Prospect Park residents are connected in this independent list serve. Send a sign up request via e-mail HERE

Connect with PPA on Facebook 🚹 and Instagram 👩





## BUSINESS & NON-PROFIT DIRECTORY

#### **RESTAURANTS/MARKETS**

Fresh Thyme

The Market at Malcolm Yards

Surly Brewing

O'Shaughnessy Distillery

U Garden

Feng Cha

Caspian Bistro

Legendary Spice

Blaze Pizza

Bona Vietnamese

Tea House

The Cajun House

MU MU Tea

Egg & I

Raising Canes

Sidewalk Kitchen

Hong Kong Noodle

Kowloon

Stub & Herbs

LivTru







#### SERVICES

Southeast Auto Service

Kim Nybo State Farm Insurance

PICA Head Start

Family Wise

**Anytime Fitness** 

Factor of 4 Website Design

Fairview Pharmacy - University

Village

Great Brakes Auto Repair

Willie Willette Works Custom

Furniture

The Hub at The U of M Bike Center

Kyra Nygard Photography

#### **RELIGIOUS OR SPIRITUAL**

Prospect Park United Methodist

Church

River of Hope

St. Frances Cabrini Catholic Church

St. Panteleimon Russian Orthodox

Church

<u>Gracepoint Minneapolis</u>



## BUSINESS & NON-PROFIT DIRECTORY

#### ARTS ORGANIZATIONS

<u>Textile Center</u>
<u>Fireweed Community Woodshop</u>
<u>Signature Arts Building</u>



#### REUSE/RECYCLE/RESALE

Art+Architecture
Stay Gold Vintage
Glam Diggers Vintage
Claire Steyaert Antiques
Prospect Park Yard and
Tailgate Sale



#### GARDENING

<u>Prospect Park Garden Club</u> <u>Prospect Park Community Gardens</u>



#### FOOD SERVICES

#### & HEALTH

Community Driven
Glendale Food Shelf (East Side
Neighborhood Services)
BrittFit50 Indigenous Health



#### SENIOR LIVING

<u>Pillars of Prospect Park</u>
The Legends at Berry (St.Paul)



SEE PAGE 12 FOR GARDENS/PARKS/RECREATION

## BUSINESS & NON-PROFIT DIRECTORY

#### **EDUCATION**

Pratt Elementary School
Pratt PTO
Pratt Site Council
Venture Academy
University of Minnesota Twin Cities



#### **CHILDCARE**

<u>University KinderCare</u> <u>The Pillars Childcare</u> <u>Family Wise Child Care Center</u>



#### **BANKS**

First Independence
Spire Credit Union
Affinity Plus Credit Union
Bank of America
US Bank University Branch



#### HOTELS

Hampton Inn & Suites

Days Hotel by Wyndham

Home2Suites

Hilton Garden Inn

Kasa University Ave

Sonder at Max



#### RENTERS RESOURCES

#### PROSPECT PARK RENTERS

The PPA Renter's
Curriculum covers
information on: searching
for apartments, leasing
them, moving, legal and
supportive resources for
renters, how to talk with
landlords and organize
with other tenants.

Sign up for Prospect Park Association's Renter's Curriculum — please fill out the form here.

You will receive an email confirmation when your moodle account is ready. Thank you for using this resource!



#### UNIVERSITY OF MINNESOTA OFFICE OF OFF-CAMPUS LIVING

Resources on renting near campus, roommate finder, safety, navigating campus, student legal services and more. <a href="http://ocl.umn.edu/">http://ocl.umn.edu/</a>



#### RENTERS RESOURCES

## LEGAL RESOURCES FOR RENTERS IN MINNEAPOLIS

Mid Minnesota Legal Aid

- Free legalle support and advice
- Call at (612) 334-5970.

#### HOMELine's Legal Hotline

- Free legal hotline for renters in need
- o Call at (612) 728-5767

Student Legal Service (For UMN Students)

- Free Legal support for UMN Students
- o (612) 624-1001



### ADDITIONAL HOUSING RESOURCES

Community Action
Partnership of Hennepin
County (CAP-HC)

- Organization offering resources including emergency rental assistance.
- o Call at (952) 930-3541

#### **HousingLink**

- Site to find affordable and subsidized housing in Minnesota.
- Resources for rental assistance and apartment search tips.



#### TOP II QUESTIONS TO ASK WHEN TOURING AN APARTMENT

Learning about your apartment, its history, and the landlord is a crucial step to take before leasing a new apartment. This video contains questions and tips to help you with your search: <a href="https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=1sOA1SzflbE">https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=1sOA1SzflbE</a>



### **COMMUNITY HIGHLIGHTS**

#### PRATT ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

Pratt Community School is a Pre-K through 5 school, supported by a strong international community due in large part to their close proximity to the University of Minnesota. They welcome students from all cultural backgrounds and are always looking for ways to learn from and nurture their multicultural environment. Their mission is to create a safe, challenging and nurturing learning environment where all students succeed. <a href="https://pratt.mpls.kl2.mn.us/Home">https://pratt.mpls.kl2.mn.us/Home</a>





#### SOUTHEAST SENIORS

Southeast Seniors is a non-profit organization of health care professionals and neighbors helping people 65 and older remain independent and safe at home. Sometimes, it is just a simple task that needs doing or some resources that would make a difference. Growing older is much easier and safer when you have the support you need to live well at home. <a href="https://www.seseniors.org/">https://www.seseniors.org/</a>



#### LOCAL GOVERNMENT

#### PROSPECT PARK IS CURRENTLY REPRESENTED BY

- Senator Kari Dziedzic, District 60
- Senator Patricia Torres Ray, District 63
- House Representative Mohamud Noor, District 60B
- House Representative Jim Davnie, District 63A
- City Council Member Robin Wonsley, Ward 2
- Hennepin County Commissioner Angela Conley, District 4
- Park Board Commissioner Billy Menz, District 1





#### DISTRICTS

Congressional: 5 MN Senate: 60 & 63 MN House: 60B & 63A County Commissioner: 04

Judicial: 04

Park: MINNEAPOLIS 1

Soil and Water Conservation: 4 School: MINNEAPOLIS DISTRICT 1

County: Hennepin

#### 2022 LEGISLATIVE DISTRICTS

<u>This map</u> shows the Legislative Districts ordered by the Minnesota Supreme Court Special Redistricting Panel on February 15, 2022.



#### **ELECTIONS**

Find your Voting Place Here: https://pollfinder.sos.state.mn.us/

### **GETTING AROUND**

### LIGHT RAIL STATIONS IN PROSPECT PARK

The Metro Green line from Union Depot to Target Field has the following stations in Prospect Park: <u>Stadium Village</u>, <u>Prospect</u> <u>Park</u> and <u>Westgate</u>



#### BUS

The following transit lines have routes that pass near Prospect Park Bus: 121, 6, 63, 67.

https://www.metrotransit.org/home

## LOW-COST MOBILITY PROGRAMS

Transit Assistance Program
Metro Transit's Transit Assistance
Program (TAP) is meant to make
public transit more affordable for
lower income residents. Qualified
customers can ride the bus and
train for \$1 per ride.

#### **BIKE & SCOOTER SHARE**

Nice Ride Minnesota is the Minneapolis and surrounding areas' bikeshare service, with 3,000+ bikes and 400+ stations across Minneapolis. Designed for quick trips with convenience in mind, it's a fun and affordable way to get around.

Lyft and Nice Ride for All

City of Minneapolis Scooter Share. You can learn about the City's shared scooter program and how to rent, ride and park scooters here.



#### WALKING PATHS/PEDESTRIAN BRIDGES

Ground Rounds National Scenic Parkway from Northeast Minneapolis through Prospect Park all along SE 27th Ave, connecting to both East and West River Parkways and across the Franklin Avenue bridge.

#### RECREATION

#### GARDENS/PARKS/PLAYGROUNDS

- Chergovsky Park A tree-filled park offering a totlot playground and a picnic area at the foot of Seymour Ave and the pedestrian bridge over I-94 connecting residents to East River Road.
- East River Parkway Part of the Minneapolis
   Parks Scenic Grand Rounds on the east side of
   the Mississippi River.
- <u>Luxton Park</u> and <u>Luxton Recreation Center</u> A
   park and recreation center with outdoor soccer
   and softball fields, basketball courts, wading
   pool, and indoor gymnasium and meeting
   rooms. Luxton Recreation Center also
   encompasses <u>Luxton Community Center</u>.
- River Gorge Park The east-bank Mississippi
  River flats stretch from the University of
  Minnesota to the St. Paul border and offer
  exciting opportunities to experience wildlife,
  restored prairie, beautiful sunsets, and wooded
  hiking and biking. Mississippi Gorge Regional
  Park.
- Dartmouth Triangle This "pocket park" or "parklet" features a spring water tap (now capped) adjacent to East River Pkwy and SE Ontario St.
- <u>Tower Hill Park</u> (Prospect Park) Features the historic <u>Witch's Hat Water Tower</u> and tennis courts. See also <u>Tower Hill Park Placeography</u> page.
- Tennis courts on <u>Tower Hill Park</u>
- · Bridal Veil Park atTennis Courts on Tower Hill
- Village Green Playground at Pratt
- Westgate Park (St. Paul) 725 Berry St.





#### **LUXTON PARK**

112 Williams Ave. SE, Phone: 612-370-4925 Browse and register for events at Luxton Park here.



## MINNEAPOLIS PARK & RECREATION BOARD

For more info on parks, lakes, trails, parkways, recreation centers, and activities.

https://www.minneapolispa rks.org/

## GET INVOLVED! PPA COMMITTEES

#### COMMUNITY BUILDING

About: Listen, Learn, Ask and Transform.
Tell us what community issues are on your mind.

Meets the 1st Thursday of every month.
Committee Co-Chairs, Susan LarsonFleming and Jerry Stein.
Contact: <a href="mailto:stein035@umn.edu">stein035@umn.edu</a>,
flemings@usfamily.net



About: Climate Action Plan and Resiliency, Neighborhood Cleanup. Meets the 2nd Tuesday of every month. Committee Chair, Mary Britton. Contact:

environment@prospectparkmpls.org





#### LAND USE & PLANNING

About: Zoning & Development; Project Review.

Meets the 2nd Thursday of every month.

Committee Chair, Eric Amel Contact:

<u>landuse@prospectparkmpls.org</u>

#### TRANSPORTATION & SAFETY

About: Walkability, Bikeability, Multi-Modal Transit, Traffic & Parking, Crime & Public Safety.

Meets the 2nd Wednesday of every month.

Committee Chair, Evan Roberts. Contact:

transportation@prospectparkmpls.org

### ABOUT PROSPECT PARK ASSOCIATION (PPA)

Founded in 1901, PPA is the oldest neighborhood association in Minneapolis and is the City-recognized voice of Prospect Park Neighborhood. PPA's mission is to promote, in a non-partisan, educational and cooperative manner, the health, safety and general welfare of the neighborhood and to promote the maintenance and improvement of the aesthetic, residential and physical qualities of the neighborhood environment.





PPA relies on volunteers along with our part-time staff person, to work with City & County governments, nonprofit organizations & community members to help shape our neighborhood. You can help: participate in monthly in board/community meetings or Environment; Transportations and Safety; Community Building; and Land Use and Planning committee meetings. Meetings are currently virtual. To participate or learn more, subscribe to PPA's newsletter here.

**VISIT PPA WEBSITE HERE** 

## PPA ACTIVITIES AND ACCOMPLISHMENTS

Recent selected accomplishments include installing rain gardens to mitigate the increase of stormwater runoff due to climate change, '25 by 25' initiative to reduce greenhouse gasses, installing traffic calming planters at Pratt school, Census 2020 work to reach under-counted communities, work with the City to reopen walkway from Pratt to Luxton park, formed Renter Rights Subcommittee, created Prospect Park Unified Design Standards, and held the annual Earth Day Cleanup, "Heal the Earth" Eco Tour, and neighborhood yard and tailgate sales.





## ANNUAL NEIGHBORHOOD MEETING & BOARD ELECTION

This is the day when the PPA members elect half of the Board of Directors every year. PPA board member elections are held in May in order to take advantage of the city-wide neighborhood organization election made available by Neighborhood Community Relations (NCR). Participating in the city-wide election date brings greater attention to our neighborhood board election, giving more neighbors the opportunity to participate as candidates and voters. See the PPA Board of Directors page for candidate details here.

#### DONATE TO PROSPECT PARK ASSOCIATION

The Prospect Park Association is a 501(c)(3) charitable organization, and all donations are tax-deductible. Donate to PPA at GiveMN HERE



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