



The Como-tion

Another Successful Cookout!



It was an amazing day at Van Cleve Park on September 15th as Como celebrated our 11th Como Cookout. We welcomed back the Prairie Fire Lady Choir, Timbre Junction and Kidsdance to the Cookout Stage and debuted the 15th Ave Band to the world. Over 650 meals were prepared by Ron of Two Fat Guys and a Grill and served by volunteers from Southeast Christian Church. With all those meals served, thanks to the diligent work of our waste station team, we had only 1 bag of trash from event-goers for entire event. Everything else was recycled or composted. People enjoyed the new zone seating, where they could talk to neighbors within a block of their homes while watching the entertainment and arm wrestling championships. The U of M Quidditch team got neighbors of all ages on brooms, and Park staff went all out to make the day a success. A hearty thank you to all who volunteered and supported the Como Cookout.

Como Resources:

- \$5000 forgivable payment loans for home buyers. Check www.mncee.org
- Stay informed with **Como Tidbits**. Sign up by just taking a picture:



- Like Info? Como-Partners at Yahoo
- SECI is bring you the sunny side of Como. Go Solar!!

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Third Como Blueprint Public Meeting on Wednesday, December 11, 6PM Van Cleve Park

The purpose of the meeting is to present to the community the recommendations that the Blueprint Steering Committee is considering for inclusion into the Como Blueprint. It will be an opportunity for participants to ask questions and comment on recommendations.

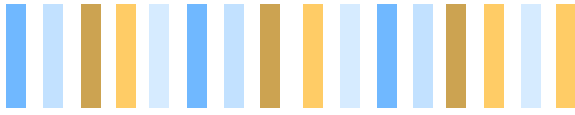
The recommendations will be based primarily on the information gathered from Como residents and stakeholders, covering desires and concerns in areas such as transportation, housing and land use, parks and green space, livability, and other areas.

The fourth, and final public meeting, in early 2014, will be to present the final recommendations. This will be the final draft of the Como Blueprint approximately as it will be presented to the Minneapolis Planning Commission.

So mark your calendars, come to the meeting, and help your community shape the document that will guide Como neighborhood into the future: The Como Blueprint.

Como Solar Tour on Saturday October 5th

The Southeast Como Improvement Association and Sunny Day Earth Solutions are sponsoring a Solar Tour for homes in the Como SE neighborhood that have working solar thermal heating systems, solar domestic hot water arrays, or Photovoltaic systems. This year's tour will include a solar install! Maps can be picked up at Sunny Day Earth Solutions on 1000 26th Ave SE, Lift Coffee on Stinson and Kennedy, 1101 15th Ave. SE, Joe's Market, Van Cleve Park or at secomo.org. For more information, email Richard Venberg at richardvenberg@me.com or call the office at (612) 676-1731.



Events (<http://tinyurl.com/secomo-calendar>)

1st Thursday in the Arts

October 3, 5:00-9:00PM
Northrup King building, 1500 Jackson St. NE

Como Solar Tour

Saturday, October 5
Southeast Como Neighborhood

Cam Gordon Office Hours

Tuesday, October 8, 9:30-11:30 a.m.
Muddsuckers, 1500 Como Avenue SE

2nd Precinct Advisory Council

Monday, October 14, 6:00-8:00 p.m.
Monroe Village, 1900 Central Avenue NE

Friends of SE Library meeting

Thursday, October 10, 5:30-7:30 pm
SE Library, 1222 4th St SE

SECIA Annual Meeting

Wednesday, November 13, 6:30-9:00 p.m.
Van Cleve Park, 901 15th Avenue SE

Blueprint Public Meeting

Wednesday, December 11, 6 p.m.
Van Cleve Park, 901 15th Avenue SE

SECIA Board Meeting

Tuesday, October 1, 6:30-9:00 p.m.
Van Cleve Park, 901 15th Avenue SE

Blueprint Committee Meeting

Saturday, October 5, 9:00-11:00 a.m.
Van Cleve Park, 901 15th Avenue SE

Community Building Committee Meeting

Tuesday, October 8, 7:00-9:00 p.m.
Van Cleve Park, 901 15th Avenue SE

Livability Committee Meeting

Tuesday, October 15, 7:00-9:00 p.m.
Van Cleve Park, 901 15th Avenue

Environment Committee Meeting

Tuesday, October 22, 7:00-9:00 p.m.
Van Cleve Park, 901 15th Avenue SE

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Neighborhood based advocacy benefiting Southeast Como and the entire Twin Cities

The new Talmage raingarden already bringing neighbors together

Sunday, September 22, was a big dig/build day with dozens of Thank U volunteers, students from the University of Northwestern and many neighbors. A lot of physical work was accomplished - digging, boulder moving, breaking down brush, wheel barrowing, loosening compacted soil, and hauling mulch and compost. Long time neighbors and new residents helped dig, level, slope and built the berm. The students also cleaned up debris in the closed street. Everyone worked hard and it looks great. By October, the rain garden will be planted. Those interested in helping at Talmage, Como Corner or FairShare or seeking information on the benefits of rain gardens, contact the office at secomo@secomo.org or (612) 676-1731



Comogreenvillage.org

