

**WeCAN General Membership Meeting  
 Agenda**

**1400 Quitman St., Confluence Ministries  
 Building**

**November 8, 2011 6:00pm**

- Healthy Harvest Potluck dinner...canned food drive for neighborhood food bank
- 6:20 pm Call to order, announcements - Shane Wright
- WeCANDo Great Things award - Chad Reischl
- New member drawing, Suellen Mack
- Denver Police Officer Jay Whittenburg
- Announcement and Sign-up sheet for election of 2012 WeCAN Board of Directors, Ben Stetler
- Speaker from Colorado Coalition for the Homeless introduced by Carolyn Bellicci - Bette Iacino, Director of Education and Advocacy, Colorado Coalition for the Homeless

Becoming a committee or board member is as easy as saying *I Can and I Will*. There will be many new developments in the WeCAN neighborhood during 2012. Volunteer Now, make a difference in your neighborhood.

**Letter To The Editor**

Someone recently said that WeCAN should change the organization bylaws so that Co-Presidents could serve longer than two years. This person went on to try to convince me that I should continue being a Co-President. My response is perhaps information that the entire community should know.

WeCAN was formed to fill a void in neighborhood representation. In less than two years the group has grown from a couple dozen to 216 registered members...not because I am at the helm, but because there was a need and residents came together and worked together to meet that need. I am now placing my name on the ballot to run for the position of President Emeritus, a newly created position to mentor new leadership. WeCAN will thrive and grow because new voices will be heard and new ideas will be shared...not because of one person, but because of many, you the residents of the West Colfax neighborhood.

Please consider placing your name on the ballot for any of the positions, Co-President, Vice-President, committee chair or even a Member-At-Large. The three or four hours a month that you donate will make a difference in our community.

Barbara Baker, WeCAN Co-President

**WeCANT-Shirt Sale Needs Volunteers**

WeCAN has funding to purchase 100 t-shirts with the organization logo and tag line on them. This will primarily be a fund raiser, but also marketing for WeCAN by putting our name and information out to more of the public. The current board of directors has a heavy workload, so a volunteer or two to handle selling t-shirts at general membership meetings and events will make the project possible. To volunteer an hour a month to help with this project, please email Barbara Baker, [thanksb@comcast.net](mailto:thanksb@comcast.net).

**WeCAN will collect nonperishable food items** at each general membership meeting for donation to the food bank at Set Free Church at 10th and Perry.



**The October meeting of WeCAN was the** initiation of the process of moving into 2012. Above is one of the small group discussions that generated ideas for exploration and development in the coming year. The December meeting will elect new officers to implement the activities of WeCAN for 2012. Volunteers are being sought to hold office and/or serve on the Board of Directors.

## Crime Prevention Corner with Carolyn Billecci

I am seeking interested residents to participate on the new Neighborhood Watch Committee in an effort to grow this crime prevention tool in the West Colfax neighborhood. If you are interested in participating, please email me at [carolynbillecci@wecandenvr.org](mailto:carolynbillecci@wecandenvr.org) or call me at 720-480-4949.

In addition, I am seeking volunteers to help staff the West Colfax COP Shop beginning Spring 2012. To become a volunteer you must first submit an application with the Denver Police Department. Please visit the Denver Police Departments volunteer website <http://208.42.235.74/VIPHomePage/tabid/428742/Default.aspx>, which can provide additional information, including a link to the application required to become a volunteer.

**All moms in the WeCAN neighborhood are** invited to sign up to be a part of the Highlands Mommies- West Colfax Mommies Group. It's a great place to exchange information, events, and coordinate gatherings with other families in the neighborhood. Moms can sign up at <https://www.bigtent.com/groups/himom>, then following sign-up be sure to join the West Colfax Mommies subgroup. For further information contact Leah Rounds, [LibrarianLeah@gmail.com](mailto:LibrarianLeah@gmail.com)

Estimados Vecinos!

Sabias usted que hay una organizacion en nuestra comunidad que se interesa por la calidad de vida de ustedes? Este grupo se llama West Colfax Area Neighbors (WeCan). WeCan quiere saber que piensa usted que ayudaria a mejorar nuestra comunidad.

Por ejemplo, tendremos una libreria en nuestra comunidad y estamos removiendo grafito sin costo alguno para ustedes.

Desea escuchar mas sobre asuntos de nuestra comunidad o quiere compartir ideas, por favor venga a las juntas este 12 de julio (son cada 2do martes del mes). Generalmente aqui hay algunos asistentes biligues quien podran ayudar traduciendo los temas. Vengan! Nos encantara verlos!

### Support WeCAN Fundraiser Recycling:

All scrap metal or items that can be resold on Craigslist are welcome. All donations are tax deductible, receipts on request.

Contact Bill Baker: 303.946.8230 or [bigbuddy2@comcast.net](mailto:bigbuddy2@comcast.net).



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**The Denver LeafDrop will be available at** Sloan's Lake on the Sundays: Nov. 6, Nov. 13 and Nov. 20. This leaf recycling program processed 478 tons of leaves last year.

**The West Side Transit Enhancement Study.** a part of the Denver Livability Partnership, is conducting a survey on transit and travel in an area that includes the WeCAN neighborhood. To participate in the online survey go to: <http://www.surveymonkey.com/s/WSTES>. The survey may be downloaded as a PDF from the DLP website for hard copy use.

### Contact your City Council Representatives:

**District 1: Susan Shepherd**, email [susan.shepherd@denvergov.org](mailto:susan.shepherd@denvergov.org), website [www.denvergov.org/susanshepherd](http://www.denvergov.org/susanshepherd), phone 720.337.7701

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**The WeCAN Land Use Committee will meet at** 1400 Osceola, November 9 at 6:00 pm. The agenda will be available on the WeCAN website prior to the meeting: [www.wecandenvr.org](http://www.wecandenvr.org).

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