West Colfax Association of Neighbors (WeCAN)
is a Registered Neighborhood Organization (RNO).
WeCAN holds general membership meetings the second
Tuesday of each month at 1400 Quitman St in Confluence
Ministries main hall. WeCAN is dedicated to the
advancement and well being of the West Colfax
neighborhood.

West Colfax Association of Neighbors
General Membership Meeting
6:00 pm, Tuesday August 12, 2014
1400 Quitman, Confluence Ministries
Main Room

Agenda

- 6:00 Call to order and
  Announcements
- 6:10 Police Officer Report
- 6:20 Meet the new principal of
  Colfax Elementary
- 6:30 Update on West Colfax
  Sustainable Neighborhood Program
- 6:45 Denver Solid Waste
  Management on future changes to
  trash pickup (from Tennyson to
  Sheridan)
- 7:00 Adjourn

Chad Reischl, WeCAN co-president,
welcomes members
the July general
membership meeting
and picnic.

Join WeCAN for the
August 12, 2014
meeting. The agenda includes meeting the new
principal of the Colfax Elementary School, changes in
trash pickup from Tennyson St. to Sheridan Blvd.
and an update on the Sustainable Neighborhood
Program. School supplies will be collected for
distribution to neighborhood schools.

Volunteers are needed to hand out cold drinks, set up
and take down the WeCAN area for the Neighborhood
Festival. Please call Barbara Baker, 303-257-9808, or
thanksb@comcast.net to arrange a two hour volunteer
time.

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

This program now earns points toward
certification in the Sustainable Neighborhood
Program.
There is still time to enroll at your West Colfax neighborhood schools. Please contact the main office of each school to fill out an application, tour the school, meet teachers and administrators, find out about after-school programs, or if you have any questions about finding the right school to fit your child and family.

The DPS West Colfax neighborhood schools are:


**Northwest Denver COP Shops** This month we would like to talk a little bit about scams. Many times people say “if it sounds too good to be true it probably is”. However, the scammers are getting more sophisticated and it sometimes is hard to identify a real offer from a fake opportunity.

Here are some telltale signs it may be a scam: 1. Is the person using high-pressure sales tactics? Scammers often say things like, “Limited or onetime offer” or “this will be your only opportunity”. 2. Are you being asked to pay fees or use a convoluted payment method like a pre-paid card? Lottery and sweepstakes scams often employ this tactic. If you really won something the fees can be taken out of your winnings. 3. Are you being told that you won a contest that you didn’t enter? You can’t win a contest that you didn’t enter. 4. Have you been scammed in the past? Some scam victims have their personal contact information sold to other con artists. You may get unsolicited calls from people promising to get your money back or provide other remedies or offers. These are scams. 5. Did you receive unsolicited mail, emails, or phone calls for services that you were not seeking? Research the companies that you want to employ. Many scams begin with someone knocking on your door offering services, or sending out promotional materials. This often happens in the case of home repair scams. 6. Are the police contacting you by phone? Verify that they are who they say they are by calling (720) 923-2000 (Denver Police Non-Emergency Line). Some scams begin with a person pretending to be a police officer who tells you that they are concerned that you have been a victim of a crime. They then proceed to solicit your personal information. The police will contact you in person if they have questions for you or believe that you have been a victim of a crime. 7. Are they claiming to be from a federal government agency like the IRS either by phone or email? Most federal agencies have a policy of contacting the public only by regular mail and will not solicit information by phone or email.

If you do get scammed contact the Denver District Attorney’s Fraud Line (720) 913-9179

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**WeCAN August Calendar**

- **Aug 9** - Neighborhood Festival, Paco Sanchez Park, W. Howard Place & Irving St., 11:00 am - 4:00 pm
- **Aug 12** - WeCAN General Membership Meeting, 1400 Quitman, 6:00pm. School supply drive, bring donations.
- **Aug 20** - WeCAN Board Meeting, 1400 Quitman, 6:00pm
- **Aug 21** - Councilwoman Susan Shepherd office hour, 2:00-3:00pm. 5049 W. Colfax (COP Shop).
- **Aug 25** - Denver Public Schools open the school year.
- **Sep 1** - Labor Day
- **Sep 2 - 6** - Large Item Pickup - Put out your large items for Denver Solid Waste pickup

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**Box Tops** Bring your Box Tops for Education to WeCAN meetings. Leah Rounds will distribute to local schools.