



Building a Stronger, More Sustainable Community

The West Colfax Association of Neighbors (WeCAN) is the Registered Neighborhood Association (RNO) for the neighbors who live, work, or own property in the West Colfax neighborhood. WeCAN is a citizens group that meets the second Tuesday of every month, 6:00pm, in the main hall of the Confluence Ministries building, 1400 Quitman.

WeCAN's mission is that together WE CAN provide community support, safety, and education within our neighborhood through volunteerism, proactive programs, outreach, and kindness; all the while preserving our neighborhood's history, unique character, and vast diversity.

The next general meeting is
**Tuesday, November 10th,
6:00-7:00pm, 1400 Quitman**

Agenda:

6:00-6:10 – WeCAN Announcements
6:10-6:20 – Report from Denver Police District 1 Community Resource Officer, Denise Gomez
6:20-6:30 – Greg Pratt, Director of Bienvenidos Food Bank
6:30-6:45 – Taylor Moellers, Sustainable Neighborhood Network
6:45-7:00 – Susan Renaud, Denver Energy Challenge

Letter from the WeCAN Board of Directors

WeCAN will be **collecting food and monetary donations for Bienvenidos Food Bank at our November General Meeting, Tuesday, November 10th, at 6:00pm** in the main hall of the Confluence Ministries building, 1400 Quitman. Bienvenidos Food Bank operates a mobile food pantry on the 3rd Thursday of the month, 10:30am-Noon (January-October) right here in the West Colfax neighborhood at the VFW Building at 4747 W. Colfax, Denver, CO 80204. Director of the Bienvenidos Food Bank, Greg Pratt, will be at this month's general meeting too, to present on the work the organization does. You can learn more about Bienvenidos Food Bank at www.bienvenidosfoodbank.org. Contact Jim at jdietvorst@comcast.net or 303-550-2053 if you would like to make donations but can't make it to the November general meeting.

Also at this month's General Meeting, WeCAN will be bringing you an **update from the Sustainable Neighborhood Network. WeCAN is bringing the Denver Energy Challenge to the West Colfax neighborhood!** Susan Renaud will be at our general meeting to present on how individuals can take steps in their own homes to become more energy efficient. If you're interested in participating in the Denver Energy Challenge and contributing to WeCAN's sustainability efforts please attend this month's general meeting. If you want to participate or learn more but can't make it to the general meeting, contact Josh at jpatrick0611@gmail.com. Learn more about the Sustainable Neighborhood Network at <https://sustainableneighborhoodnetwork.org> and the Denver Energy Challenge at <http://www.denverenergy.org>.

A huge **THANK YOU to everyone who participated in the West Colfax Clean-Up Day** on October 17th! It was an amazing day made possible by all of the hard work of a community coming together for the sake of their neighbors. Many projects were completed, including: Getting a neighbor's yard ready for winter – after mowing, raking, trimming and



West Colfax Neighborhood Events Calendar

November

- 2-6** - Denver Waste Management Large Item Pick-Up
10 - WeCAN General Meeting, 6pm, 1400 Quitman (main hall)
14 - Denver Mustache Dache 5k race at Sloan's Lake Park, 9:00am
15 - Broncos game, 2:25pm, Sports Authority Field
16 - Denver Police Department District 1 Commanders Advisory Group meeting, 6:00pm, 1311 W. 46th St.
18 - WeCAN Board of Directors meeting, 6:00pm, 1400 Quitman
29 - Broncos game, 6:30pm, Sports Authority Field

December

- 8** - WeCAN General Meeting, 6pm, 1400 Quitman (main hall)
13 - Broncos game, 2:05pm, Sports Authority Field
14-18 - Denver Waste Management Large Item Pick-Up

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<http://wecanddenver.org/join/>

weeding, the yard and alley look great! Removing, re-positioning and re-installing a fence and gate – the transformation of this fence is simply amazing! Graffiti removal and alley cleanup – these teams pulled enough (and often disgusting) trash out of the alleys to fill a 30 yard dumpster! Look for our next WeCAN Clean-up Day in May 2016!

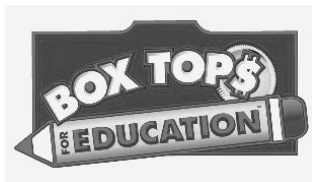
WeCAN Needs Volunteers!

- **Deliver the Newsletter:** The newsletter is the main way WeCAN communicates with the neighborhood and right now some neighbors aren't being reached. Routes take about one hour at the beginning of each month. Contact Leah@wecanddenver.org to see if there is a route available near you.
- **Part-time Secretary:** Minutes need to be taken at each WeCAN General Membership meeting each month. If you come to the general meetings regularly and would be willing to help out at some of the meetings, please contact Leah@wecanddenver.org

From the NW Denver Cop Shop:

Denver Police District 1's Community Resource Officer is Officer Denise Gomez. If you ever have questions, comments, or concerns about what is going on in the West Colfax neighborhood don't hesitate to contact her at Denise.Gomez@denvergov.org or 720-913-0566.

WeCAN collects Box Tops for Education for the neighborhood school of Colfax Elementary to support their Reading Partners tutoring program. Box Tops are collected at each general membership meeting. Clipping and saving Box Tops is an easy way to help support our neighborhood school!



How Can YOU Volunteer for the West Colfax Neighborhood This Month?

Donate to Bienvenidos Food Bank!

WeCAN will be helping collect food and goods for Bienvenidos Food Bank at the next General Membership meeting on November 10th. Contact Jim at jdienvorst@comcast.net or 303-550-2053 if you have donations but can't make it to the November General Meeting!



Thank you for helping families in North West Denver

We serve more than 800 people and give over 5,000 items of food each week!
 Your help makes a difference.

✓ Shopping List:

- Canned Fruit
- Canned Chicken or Tuna
- Refried Beans
- Peanut Butter & Jelly
- Snack Bars
- Boxed dry meals
- 1 or 2 lb. bags of rice
- Pasta and Sauces
- Shampoo & Deodorant
- Toothpaste & Toothbrushes
- Baby food Jars
- Cash donations

For Every \$1 Donated we can Provide \$9 of Food to our Community!

Please mail donations to:
 P.O. Box 11948
 Denver, CO 80211
 303-433-6328

Online donations at:
www.BienvenidosFoodBank.org

The Bienvenidos Food Bank is a program of The North West Family Assistance Center

