

## **WeCAN General Meeting**

Tue Mar 13, 2018 - 6pm – 7pm  
1400 Quitman St. Denver, CO 80204

## **Denver Police Department District 1 Community Resource Officer, Ron Gibbs**

Three Women's Self-Defense classes coming up this summer at Rude Rec Center, July 7, August 18, and September 15.

Crime statistics made available. Overall crime down in the neighborhood for Feb 2018. Theft From Motor Vehicles (TFMV) remains the largest problem. Prevention is key, do not leave cars unlocked with valuables in plain view. Three of the four TFMV incidents this month were unlocked cars.

Puffers are still illegal, can not let your car running unattended. Remote starters are legal.

## **Amanda Stewart, Principal at Lake Middle School**

New Principal for Lake Middle School at 17th and Meade St. Introduced herself, came as a Principal Intern in the Montbello area. Working under the Executive Principal of Skinner Middle School, to bring a strong culture and high expectations to the school. Will be as Principal this fall.

## **Amanda Pedrow, Rocky Mountain Human Services**

Rocky Mountain Human Services (RMHS) offers resources to developmentally or physically disabled children ages 0-3, and resources for veterans. RMHS can offer financial assistance for co-pays and other doctor visits.

## **Eric Decker, Denver Urban Gardens**

Denver Urban Gardens (DUG) is looking for individuals to join a group to improve on their gardening skills. Ideally, the participants should not have much gardening experience. Participants need to be a part of a control group for the first year. This may turn some folks off to the experience but is required.

Participants receive \$150 in gardening related gift certificates, gardening materials, training, and are entered in a lottery for garden supplies.

DUG has a large presence in both the City and County of Denver and in suburbs. They have gardens spanning from Lakewood to Aurora and as far south as 225 and Parker Road. WeCAN will post additional information on social media as provided by DUG.

## **Historic Denver – Shannon Schaefer, Preservation Coordinator.**

Historic Denver was started as the organization that saved the Molly Brown House from demolition in 1970. Historic Denver is funded by membership and donations and has approximately 800 members.

Some of the programs that Historic Denver provides are:

- Discover Denver – A citywide survey of Denver’s historic buildings.
- Walking tours of Denver’s historic neighborhoods
- RE:Denver – A free lecture series at L2 Church on E. Colfax
- Helping nonprofits write grants for preservation initiatives within their purview

Shannon’s main goal was to educate the membership about the Historic Denver Action Fund. The action fund provides technical assistance and staff support for local preservation projects. Historic Denver provides 75% of the funding and the neighborhood must fund 25% of the cost. The budgets for proposed projects for the Action Fund are between \$2,500 and \$10k. The application process is competitive and the application deadlines are 4/1, 6/1, and 9/1. Some example projects might include conservation, design overlays, design guidelines, and historic district designation.

Examples of prior awards were presented. They consisted of:

- La Alma/Lincoln Park Historical Resource Survey
- South Pearl Street Design Overlay (overlay to current zoning in commercial corridor)
- Vassar School Bungalow Historic District
- RiNo Street Medallion Wayfinding Project

Shannon will provide additional material explaining the projects and application process in detail and WeCAN will distribute to the general membership via social media and/or newsletter.