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**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, Aug. 14, 2012

### 1400 Quitman, Confluence Ministries **Main Room**

- 6:00 Call to order
- Announcements
- Police Officer Report
- Presentation by EFG Brownfield Partners on the St Anthony's Redevelopment
- Adjourn

#### The excitement continues in the WeCAN

neighborhood with the upcoming groundbreaking for the new West Denver Branch Library (see below) and the continuing of EFG Brownfield Partners purchase of the St. Anthony's Hospital campus. Plan to attend the August WeCAN general membership meeting for the update on the St. Anthony's campus.

**WeCAN** will be collecting school supplies for Cheltenham and Colfax Elementary students at the August meeting. Please be generous, the school staff and the students are super appreciative of the supplies and it's a great way to show community support of our local schools.

St. Anthony's has implemented a health care **presence** for the neighborhood with the move of St. Anthony Sloan's Lake Health Center to the Raleigh Building, 4200 W. Conejos Place, 1st floor. The health center offers primary care, M-F, 8:00am -

4:30pm (call for appointment - 720.321.8880) and urgent care M-W, 5:00 - 8:00pm for non-life threatening injury or illness. Urgent care should become available seven days a week in the near future.



The Denver Public Library made a presentation at the July WeCAN meeting to update the neighborhood on the new West Denver Branch library. Included in the presentation was a virtual tour of the library by the architect, Joseph Montalban of the firm Architizer. The rendering above is the view from the northwest corner at Irving and Colfax. Join the ceremonial groundbreaking for the new library Friday, August 24, 2012 at 9:30am with city and library officials. To see other renderings and for further information visit online: http://denverlibrary.org/bond/west-denver-branchlibrary

#### **Crime Prevention Corner** with Carolyn Bellicci

The West Colfax COP Shop Board is pleased to announce that the opening of the shop is just around the corner. We have just obtained occupancy and will begin moving into the location during the month of August. We are making every effort to open the doors as quickly as possible. However, we still need volunteers willing to commit time to the shop in order for the doors to be open on a regular basis. If you are interested in becoming a volunteer at the COP Shop then you must go through the vetting process with the Denver Police Department. Please visit the Denver Police Departments volunteer website

http://www.policevolunteers.org/programs/index.cf m?fa=dis pro detail&id=887, which can provide additional information, including a link to the application required to become a volunteer. You can also feel free to email me at wcfb.copshop@gmail.com and I can forward an application to you as well.

Further, I am seeking interested residents to participate on the WeCAN 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 <a href="mailto:carolynbillecci@wecandenver.org">carolynbillecci@wecandenver.org</a>.

**Denver Police District One** is seeking ways to improve communication with the communities we serve. District One generally serves the area between W 6th Ave on the South and W 52nd Ave on the North and Sheridan Blvd/N Harlan St on the West to I-25/Platte River on the East.

Our goal is to establish precinct specific email groups that will allow us to communicate timely information to you on issues affecting your neighborhood. To participate please consider forwarding the following information to the District One Community Relations Officer Carlos Montoya:

Carlos.Montoya@denvergov.org:

- Your name
- Home addresses
- Home and/or Cell phone number(s)
- Valid email address

Remember to check District One's Facebook page, even if you don't have a Facebook account: <a href="http://www.facebook.com/pages/Denver-Police-District-One/199103546766879">http://www.facebook.com/pages/Denver-Police-District-One/199103546766879</a>#!/pages/Denver-Police-District-One/199103546766879.

**Tour de Fast Tracks:** RTD and the Denver Transit Construction Group are hosting a bike ride along the West Corridor Light Rail Line on Saturday, September 15, 2012 from 9 a.m. to 1

p.m to open the new bike paths that were constructed along the tracks and orient everyone to the stations along the way. This ride will start at the Oak street station in Lakewood and end with a BBQ at the Federal/Decatur station. WeCAN will be at the Perry Station from 9-1 serving drinks/snacks and providing handouts about our organization and the

community. If you're interested in volunteering at the booth, or willing to contribute physically or monetarily to support our booth, contact Chad Reischl at 720-297-4481 or via email at <a href="mailto:chadreischl@wecandenver.org">chadreischl@wecandenver.org</a>. You're help will be much appreciated as we show off West Colfax to the tour participants.

**Denver Parks and Recreation** announced today that it will add two extra weeks to the summer outdoor **swimming** pool season at **Congress**, **Mestizo**, **Barnum**, **Berkeley**, **and Eisenhower** pools. The season, which was originally scheduled to end on August 12, will now extend to August 26 at those five pools.

#### WeCAN Calendar August 2012

**Aug. 5, 12, 19, 26** - Fairview Youth Farmers Market, 12th & Decatur, 12:00- 2:00pm.

**Aug. 14** - *WeCAN* General Membership Meeting, 1400 Quitman, 6:00pm. Open to public.

**Aug. 15** - Land Use Committee meeting, 1400 Osceola, 6:00pm. Open to public.

**Aug. 16** - District 1 Councilperson Susan Shepherd office hours at Swift's Restuarant, 4300 W. Colfax, 2:00 - 3:00 pm.

**Aug. 24** - West Branch Library groundbreaking, Irving and Colfax, 9:30am.

Did you know you can **opt out** of receiving multiple **phone books**? Save a tree, visit <a href="http://www.milehighonthecheap.com/2012/07/">http://www.milehighonthecheap.com/2012/07/</a> opt-out-of-receiving-phone-books/

# **Support WeCAN Fundraiser Recycling:**

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

Contact Bill Baker: 303.946.8230 or bigbuddy2@comcast.net

WeCAN membership at 442 and counting!