

Equity Committee Meeting

April 6, 2020

5:30 p.m. - 7:00 PM, Online via ZOOM

Agenda

Coronavirus & Community Engagement

What does Community Engagement look like during this time?

The Executive Committee has tasked the Equity Committee with creating a list of opportunities for neighbors to help neighbors during this time.

Emily has provided us with two documents:

- [COVID-19 Mutual Aid & Funding Resources](#)
- [D10 Coronavirus Block Check Idea](#)

The following is from Payne-Phalen Comm. Council:

Make Face Masks:

(From PPCC newsletter)

- Pick up a kit – curbside – right here in St Paul at Treadle Yard Goods on Grand and Hamline:
<http://treadleyardgoods.blogspot.com/2020/03/hours-for-curbside-pickup-more-mask-kits.html?m=1>
- Instructions (written and video) are here:
<https://www.sewgoodgoods.org/face-mask-covid-19>
- Need some inspiration:
<https://www.nytimes.com/2020/03/25/business/coronavirus-masks-sewers.html>

Reach out to your elderly and off-line neighbors:

(From PPCC newsletter)

Not everyone is able to do "curb side pickup" whether it's take-out food or groceries. Many of our seniors no longer drive and they were depending on Metro Mobility or volunteers to get them to the store. Besides that, many elders aren't digitally connected so they aren't aware of

how to order what they need online. Can you help by ordering delivery or picking up groceries for them? Please reach out to those who are nearby that may need some help.

- Do you have neighbors that may not be online?
- Do you have neighbors may need help getting groceries on their own?
- If you know someone who you think could maybe use some help, but you don't know their phone number, put a note on their window.

Try this: Go tape a message to the outside of their front window; one that asks them to call you on the telephone. (Make sure your message is facing *in* so they can read it from the inside of their home.) And remember, don't get near them; they are vulnerable so please practice physical distancing. Use the phone!



Coronavirus Care Neighborhood Network:

<https://www.npr.org/2020/03/28/823071202/volunteer-group-helps-at-risk-new-yorkers-as-coronavirus-spreads>

This is a grassroots effort (in Queen NYC) so there's no go-to website - at least not yet.

From Heather: <https://www.211unitedway.org/2020/04/02/coronavirus-information-2020/>

Other Business

- City Neighbors Helping Neighbors program
- Ordinance response