

COLLABORATIVES IN EDEN PRAIRIE

In an effort to gain perspective on our current community partnerships, we've created a list of local collaboratives and agencies/groups that work collaboratively in the Eden Prairie community. This list was prepared for the Community Education Partnership Breakfast on April 23, 2010. If you know of an agency or group that should be added to this list please contact Patricia Fenrick with the City of Eden Prairie at (952) 949-8394.

BASIC NEEDS

Collaborative/Organization	Purpose/Focus of Efforts	Contact Information
PROP (People Reaching out to Other People)	Helps those in need in Eden Prairie and Chanhassen through food shelf, school supplies drive, holiday gifts, and financial assistance. Volunteers needed for above activities. Other local nonprofit agencies may utilize space within PROP to meet with clients.	Anne Harnack (952) 937-9120 anneh@propfood.org www.propfood.org
Simply Good Eating University of MN Extension Services	Nutrition Education programs for people with limited resources. Classes are offered in many settings including food shelves, WIC clinics, schools, day care centers, grocery stores and homes.	http://www.extension.umn.edu/nutrition/
Meals on Wheels	Volunteers deliver hot, nutritious meals to homebound residents or residents needing short-term assistance due to surgery or illness.	(952) 937-1478 meals-on-wheels.com
Grace Church	*Free community dinner and clothing closet on the first and third Thursdays of most months. Dinner is from 5:30 – 6:30 p.m. and the clothing closet is available after the meal. *Angel Food Program – reduced cost for food. Open to all; once a month. www.angelfoodministries.org	(952) 926-1884 www.atgrace.com
Fare for All Express	Fare For All Express, a program of the Emergency Foodshelf Network, works with community partners to offer quality, affordable grocery packages each month. Available to anyone in the community. Distribution first Tuesday of the month from 3:30 – 5:30 at EP United Methodist	(763) 450-3880 www.fareforall.org

PROP Shop	Local resale store staffed primarily by volunteers. Programs provide free basic household items and clothing to families in need. All proceeds support local families in need.	Vicki Bomben 952-934-2323 www.propshopep.org
Community Action Partnership for Suburban Hennepin (CAPSH)	Provides many programs for Suburban Hennepin County including Energy Assistance, Foreclosure Prevention, Tax Preparation; Local collaborative efforts have also included the Eden Prairie Car Repair Program	Marcy Harris, Esq. mharris@capsh.org (952) 933-9639 www.capsh.org
Pax Christi Catholic Community	12 Baskets – gives out baskets of needed items (school supplies, baby items, food)	Allison Boisvert (952) 941-3150
City Hill Fellowship	Distributes Thanksgiving baskets of food and Christmas gifts	Christine Erickson (612) 281-5942

SENIORS

Collaborative/Organization	Purpose/Focus of Efforts	Contact Information
Eden Prairie Professionals in Aging (EPPIA)	A networking group focused on issues related to seniors	www.edenprairieaging.org Joanne Bartel PraAduCare@aol.com
Senior Outreach	Range of programs and services for older adults in suburban Hennepin County	LeAnn Eiden 952-934-3370 www.seniorcommunity.org
Household and Outdoor Maintenance for the Elderly (H.O.M.E)	Raking, mowing, shoveling and other chores for income qualified elderly	Kitty Engle 952-888-5530 k.Engle@seniorcommunity.org
Eden Prairie Senior Center	Activities and events for seniors in the community. Collaborates with local agencies including EP Community Education for educational opportunities, EPPIA, Senior Community Services, Dunn Brothers and the Eden Prairie Library to provide high quality programming and services to seniors.	Sue Bohnsack sbohnsack@edenprairie.org (952) 279-8050

EDUCATION

Collaborative/Organization	Purpose/Focus of Efforts	Contact Information
Eden Prairie Schools	Educating for success in our diverse and changing world. Numerous partnerships with individual schools and departments.	(952) 975-7000 www.edenpr.org
Eden Prairie Schools - Community Education	Eden Prairie Community Education connects, empowers and enriches peoples' lives through lifelong learning and service to our diverse and evolving community. Offers programs for preschoolers through adults. Collaborates with others on EP Reads, EP Volunteers, EP Committee on Disability Awareness, etc	Jeanne Zetah (952) 975-6940 jzetah@edenpr.org
South Hennepin Adult Program Education (SHAPE) and the Volunteer Connection	Adult ESL classes for students to learn English held at HTC and Rasmussen. Also Partnership with Forest Hills Elementary and Senior Center. GED Test prep and Adult High School diploma classes held in Bloomington. (Community Ed Consortium)	Abbey Philo (612) 247-6398 APhilo@bloomington.k12.mn.us
Eden Prairie for Youth (EP4Y)	Community collaborative providing resources to youth and families in healthy youth development and prevention of youth alcohol and drug use.	Terri Johnson Tjohnson@edenpr.org (952) 975-7144 www.ep4y.org
STRIVE – Rotary Club and High School	Match up at-risk students with mentors who support them as they consider their post-secondary goals and current choices.	Kathy Palmer, EPHS kpalmer@edenpr.org (952) 975-8269
Students in Learning Communities (SLIC) at EPHS	Connects high school students with volunteer opportunities within the community.	SLICroom@edenpr.org (952) 975-8379 http://www.edenpr.k12.mn.us/ephs/
Foundation for Eden Prairie Schools	Provides financial support for programs that enhance student learning and administers major gifts.	Mike Frishkorn, info@foundationforepschools.org (952) 975-7205 www.foundationforepschools.org
Southdale YMCA	Provides before and after school care and summer programming at Eden Prairie Schools, youth leadership and summer camps.	(952) 835-2567

Grace Church Wooddale Church City Hill Fellowship	Provide tutoring to immigrant families in the community. Volunteers meet one-on-one with Somali individuals.	Grace: Jon Wright (952) 224-3130 Wooddale_David Skoog (952) 944-8779 City Hill: Christine Erickson (612) 281-5942
ABC Foundation/ABC House	Provides a safe and nurturing home and learning environment for academically high-achieving minority high school students, coming from economically and educationally distressed situations.	Gardner Gay http://www.edenprairieabc.org/info@edenprairieabc.org
Optimists of Eden Prairie	Community service projects that support “Bringing out the Best in Kids” - Gun Safety classes	James Allen jallen18@comcast.net (952) 949-4969
Hennepin Technical College	Various partnerships and collaborations within the community including providing space for evening SHAPE ESL classes.	Colette Campbell-Stuart Director of Diversity (763) 488-2633 ccstuart@hennepintech.edu
EP Special Kids	Group of 150 families who live in Eden Prairie or whose children attend Eden Prairie Schools. To be eligible to join, a family must have a child with a special need/disability	Go to www.yahoogroups.com and search for especialkids, then click “join”
Eden Prairie Disability Awareness Committee	Collaboration of Eden Prairie Schools, City of Eden Prairie, Learning Rx, and Eden Prairie Women of Today. The mission is to promote awareness and education in order to support individuals and families affected by disabilities to maximize everyone’s potential for the benefit of all.	Michael Welsh Family Strengths Specialist Eden Prairie Schools (952) 975-2791

MULTICULTURAL

Collaborative/Organization	Purpose/Focus of Efforts	Contact Information
Hennepin County Office of Multicultural Services (OMS)	Outreach hours in the City of Eden Prairie’s Office of Housing and Community Services every Monday.	(612) 348-2193

Eden Prairie Immigrant Services Group	Representatives from various sectors of the community including City of EP, EP Schools, churches, social service agencies, Hennepin County, EP Library and more meet every month to network and share information in an effort to better meet the needs of immigrant communities in Eden Prairie	Kerry Holtmeier Hallee Eden Prairie FamiLink Resource Center (952) 294-5945 kholtmeier@edenpr.org
Eden Prairie Schools' Community Education and City of Eden Prairie Staff and Commissions	Co-sponsor programs such as "Who are Your Neighbors?" with a focus on honoring different cultures in the community. The International Festival is a city event in August that involves residents in planning a celebration of the many cultures in and around Eden Prairie	Eden Prairie Community Education (952) 975-6940 City of Eden Prairie (952) 949-8300

TRANSPORTATION

Collaborative/Organization	Purpose/Focus of Efforts	Contact Information
Eden Prairie Transportation Committee	Meets bi-monthly to address concerns and needs related to transportation in the community. Includes representatives from the City of Eden Prairie, SW Transit, PROP, FamiLink, Senior residences and Senior Community Services	Patricia Fenrick (952) 949-8394 pfenrick@edenprairie.org
SW Transit/Shopping Bus	Provides a bus on Tuesday mornings to take seniors shopping • Stops include Edendale, Sterling Ponds senior building and The Colony • Volunteers help riders on and off the bus and will carry grocery bags and other shopping bags	Patricia Fenrick (952) 949-8394 Pfenrick@edenprairie.org
Eden Prairie Senior Center	Provides weekly rides to shopping in Eden Prairie and to Senior Center activities.	Sue Bohnsack (952) 279-8051 sbohnsack@edenprairie.org

GENERAL COMMUNITY

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Eden Prairie Reads	Designed to promote reading, encourage discussion among community members and strive for a new level of connection throughout the Eden Prairie community. The initiative is a collaborative effort between the Eden Prairie Schools, the Eden Prairie Library, Eden Prairie Foundation, the City of Eden Prairie, Eden Prairie Barnes and Nobles Booksellers and a grass roots group of citizens	http://www.epreads.org/
Eden Prairie Foundation	Provides grants, special gifts and scholarships to community organizations and individuals	(952) 949-8499 epfoundation@yahoo.com www.edenprairiefoundation.org
Community Collaborative	General networking of Eden Prairie civic and nonprofit organizations.	Bruce Hutchins Contact thru EP Fdtn. (952) 949-8499
Friends of EP Library	Nonprofit organization comprised of local residents, local business and community organizations who volunteer time and provide financial support for the Eden Prairie Library	FriendsofEPLibrary@gmail.com
Hennepin South Services Collaborative (HSSC)	Collaboration between the cities and schools of Bloomington, Richfield and Eden Prairie. Three coordination teams address issues of self sufficiency, schools and community partnerships and health/mental health. Provide research & planning to identify emerging needs & gaps in human services. Coordinate existing services & develop potential resources to facilitate solutions	Daryl Copoletti (952) 922-5999 daryl.copoletti@hsscmn.org www.hsscmn.org
Eden Prairie FamiLink Resource Center	Provides resources and information to those who live, work and go to school in the Eden Prairie community. Works to increase collaborative efforts within the EP community.	Kerry Holtmeier Hallee (952) 294-5950
Cornerstone	Continuum of services to victims of domestic abuse including shelter, counseling and support groups	952-884-0376 www.cornerstonemn.org

Eden Prairie Volunteers	Website connects citizens to volunteer opportunities in Eden Prairie.	www.edenprairievolunteers.org
City of EP Office of Housing and Community Services	Provides resident information and services including housing information and the home rehab loan program; tracks community programs and projects in an effort to build partnerships and collaboration.	Patricia Fenrick (952) 949-3439 pfenrick@edenprairie.org
Hennepin County Library, Eden Prairie Branch	The Library partners with EP Schools and other community groups to provide information, support and meeting space. Hennepin County Library is committed to supporting every student in graduating from high school.	Ali Turner, Senior Librarian (952) 847-5379 www.hclib.org
Eden Prairie Rotary	Provides humanitarian service and funding to benefit the community. Eden Prairie Rotary AM Club meets every Tuesday at 7:30 a.m. at Biaggi's Restaurant in the Eden Prairie Center Eden Prairie Noon Club meets at 12:00 noon at Bearpath Country Club	PM Club prior to July 1st: Bill Falk rotary@digitalchateau.com (952) 974-8427 PM Club after July 1st: Rich Weaver R.M.Weaver@comcast.net (952) 393-4380 AM Club: (952) 949-0744 http://www.epamrotary.org/
Eden Prairie Women of Today	Participates in projects that enable us to improve our community. The Eden Prairie chapter meets the third Thursday of each month at 7 PM at St. Andrew Church in Eden Prairie.	membership@epwt.org
Eden Prairie Lions Club	Raise funds and volunteer in projects to benefit the community. Provide glasses and hearing aids to those in need.	eplions@eplions.org www.eplions.org
Eden Prairie Lionesses	Volunteer organization under the umbrella of the Eden Prairie Lions Club.	eplioness@comcast.net
Teens Alone	Provides free and confidential counseling and crisis services year round to youth and parents in the western suburbs	Lydia Kihm www.teensalone.org

HOUSING & EMPLOYMENT

Collaborative/Organization	Purpose/Focus of Efforts	Contact Information
Homeline	Tenant Advocacy	Alex alexh@homelinemn.org (612) 728-5770 x112 www.homelinemn.org
CAPSH Foreclosure Prevention	Helps homeowners who are in danger of losing their homes due to an approaching foreclosure. The program provides counseling, advocacy, referrals to additional resources and other assistance to families facing foreclosure.	(952) 933-1993 www.capsh.org
St. Andrew Lutheran Church and Wooddale Church	Provide job search networking groups every week St. Andrew Group meets every Wednesday from 11:30 am – 1 pm in Fellowship Hall Wooddale: Group meets every other Thursday from 12 – 1:30 pm	St. Andrew: Pastor Rod Anderson; Wooddale: www.jobtransition.net
Minnesota Workforce Center (located in Bloomington)	Helps job seekers find employment, help businesses find workers, and help anyone at any stage explore and plan careers.	(952)346-4000 www.positivelyminnesota.com
West Metro Homeless Youth Taskforce – Teens Alone	Developing The Suburban Host Home program. A volunteer effort that recruits, screens, trains, and supports adults who open their homes to young people (17-21) in suburban Hennepin County who are homeless or have unstable housing.	www.teensalone.org Lydia Kim (952) 988-4086