

This is the vision statement

for Northeast that was developed by our volunteer committee. This committee reviewed similar statements from around the world. Is this how you think of Northeast?

In Northeast, we celebrate our histories and artfully craft a welcoming future while collectively nurturing the health of our community.

Over the past two years the Northeast Futures Project conducted **interviews at the homes of over 400 Northeasters**. We also convened numerous focus groups—artists, businesses, diverse populations—all to find out **what our community values the most**. Below, in no particular order, are the things that emerged as the strongest:

- Northeast's small town character
- Keeping Northeast clean and safe
- Neighborliness
- Supporting local businesses
- Quality parks and recreation
- Community events
- Honoring our history and culture
- Supporting families and youth
- Northeast's diversity
- Property maintenance and rehabilitation
- Keeping Northeast affordable
- Increased homeownership
- Increased public transit and bikeways
- Northeast's arts community
- Northeast's churches
- Improved public schools

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NORTHEAST FUTURES

Community Visioning Project for
Northeast Minneapolis

You are Invited!

Saturday, October 11, 2008
10:30am - 3:00pm

Featuring a
"Taste of Northeast" Lunch
Convened by Keith Ellison

Free!

Event Location:

Eastside Neighborhood Services
1700 2nd Street NE
Minneapolis, MN 55413

To REGISTER or for more information

Contact: Marcus Harcus, Community Organizer
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Or, visit our website at www.necdc.org

About Northeast Futures and why you should attend:

Communities that unify behind their shared values and common goals stand a much better chance of achieving those goals. They invariably become more proactive and consistent when dealing with community development issues. They attract better quality projects and investors. They receive improved government services and greater political consideration.

The Northeast Futures Community Convention will produce:

- a Northeast Community Vision Statement, and
- a draft set of principles and goals for future community development

All Northeast residents, businesspeople and property owners are invited to participate. We need your voices to get it right; so that what emerges truly represents the hopes and dreams of the community.

So, please give us the better part of a fall Saturday. We will feed you and entertain you. But, what we are really after is to inspire and activate you.

Visit our website for complete information:
www.necdc.org

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Northeast Minneapolis Arts Association
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Community Convention Schedule:

- 10:30 am **Opening Remarks** by State Senator Larry Pogemiller
- 10:45 am **Film Screening:** "A Northeast Experience," by Marcus Harcus
- 11:00 am **Plenary:** Presentation of proposed Northeast Community Vision Statement by the volunteer Northeast Futures Council, followed by a floor discussion and nomination of future community development goals and principles. There will be quite a few follow-up community meetings to settle on these goals and principles.
- 12:00 pm **Lunch and Social Hour** featuring A Taste of Northeast. **Musical entertainment:** Trio Tipo
- 1:00 pm **Pick your workshop!**
- **The Artists Whirling Through Your Neighborhood** presented by the Northeast Minneapolis Arts Association. An overview of the Northeast Arts community that will make you dizzy!
 - **Preserving Our History: Northeast's Houses of Worship** presented by U of M Center for Urban and Regional Affairs and the Northeast Ministerial Alliance.
 - **How To Improve Your Neighborhood Without Attending Meetings;** a panel moderated by Diane Dube of the William Mitchell College of Law Community Development Clinic. Can this be true? Community gain without meeting pain!
 - **Northeast Voices: Future Choices for Restaurants, Retail and Recreation** presented by Northeast Minneapolis Chamber of Commerce. It's going to get better, but we've gotta keep it real.
 - **Go-Time For Northeast** presented by the Northeast Community Development Corporation. The brass ring for redeveloping Central and the Arts District is within reach, but time is short.
- 2:15 pm **Community Art-making Activity:**
The Mug Project: "Glasses Half-Full" facilitated by Minnesota Mosaic Guild artists. Community Convention attendees are asked to bring a ceramic cup or mug. If you forget, we'll find one for you!
- 2:45 pm Closing Remarks by Marcus Harcus, NE CDC
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Speakers

Too many to list here; please see the website:
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Artists

- Minnesota Mosaic Guild
- Trio Tipo

Restaurants

- Holyland
 - Sentyrz
 - Elsie's
 - Marino's
 - Psycho Suzi's
 - Durango Bakery
- And a special treat: Perogis from St. Mary's Orthodox Cathedral

Registration is really easy!

Simply call or email us the following info:
name, address, phone, and email

The Northeast Futures Community Convention is **FREE**. However, donations are welcome at the door.

All donations will go to participating artists and restaurants. Walk-ins welcome, but we ask that you register so our restaurants can calculate how much food is needed.

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