



NHS-MILWAUKEE

MARTIN DRIVE



NEIGHBORHOOD

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Dedicated to the Preservation and Growth of this Neighborhood

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NEIGHBORHOOD CLEAN-UP SCHEDULED

MARTIN DRIVE NEIGHBORHOOD CLEANUP--AUGUST 28

An area wide cleanup day has been scheduled for Saturday, Aug. 28th. This is a chance to spruce up our neighborhood. Cooperation West Side Association (COWSA) has made arrangements with the City of Milwaukee to have three large dumpsters placed on Juneau Avenue for residents. It's a perfect occasion to cleanup your yard, garage or basement of all the junk that accumulates. It's also a wonderful opportunity to help your neighbor get rid of the stuff that has been sitting behind his garage for the last two years.

We need volunteers to meet at 9:00 a.m. at 44th and Juneau to arm themselves with gloves, brooms, rakes, wheel barrows, and trash bags. COWSA has donated trash bags. Neighborhood Housing Services - Milwaukee (NHS) will provide a truck to carry large heavy objects to the dumpsters. A dolly is also available. We encourage everyone to participate, including youth. We can use their helping hands for the betterment of the neighborhood.

A clean, cared for neighborhood can help prevent crime because it shows that we care and are taking time to watch over our property.

If you have a large item and need help or use of the dolly or truck, or if you need assistance because of health, strength or disability, please contact a block watch captain who will communicate with the cleanup committee to get the help you need.

Don't be afraid to ask . . . we want to help those who need it.

Those with little time can participate by cleaning their own yards; those with more time and energy might extend their efforts to help others who could use a hand.



If you are willing to volunteer to help others, please contact the block watch captains below.

BLOCK WATCH CAPTAINS

Martin Drive
Pat Mueller 933-5589

Highland Blvd.
Volunteer We need you.

42nd/McKinley
Steve Baumann 342-2994

43rd Street
Volunteer We need you.

44th Street
Ellen Pizer Kupersmith 344-0990

45th Street
Maggie Blaha 344-3584
Dave Johnson 344-6839

46th Street
Volunteer

We need you.

With enough volunteers, we hope to conclude about noon. You are invited to attend a thank you gathering at Linda and Pat Devitt's, 1153 N. 44th, where we will have hot dogs and beverages (a pot luck snack if you have time to bring one) and the opportunity to get to know more about NHS and meet your neighbors.



A major goal of our neighborhood is to establish a block watch captain for each of the blocks in the Martin Drive Neighborhood. If your street is listed with no captain and you would be interested in setting up a club on your block or simply interested in finding out more about the responsibilities and time commitment, contact any one of the captains listed or, Officer Frank Kleiman, 3rd District Crime Prevention 935-7238. The job is not as hard as you think and can be very rewarding.



Wouldn't this newsletter look great if we had a logo for the Martin Drive Neighborhood? If you are artistic or know someone who could design a professional logo, please let us know. Ideas that have been presented are a silver teapot which symbolizes welcome and hospitality to the neighborhood or an architectural feature like the crest that is on many buildings or a turret or cupola.



WE'RE GLAD YOU'RE HERE

NHS and COWSA have joined with area residents in an effort to stabilize, preserve, and improve the Martin Drive area. The Martin Drive neighborhood is bounded by Highland Avenue on the East, Highway 41 on the West, by Vliet Street on the North, and State Street on the South.

These two organizations together with neighborhood residents, city and county government, the business community and lending institutions are working to make our neighborhood a better and safer place to live.

NHS HELPS RESIDENTS WITH NECESSARY DOLLAR\$

Loans & Grants

NHS offers purchase loans and assistance and home repair loans. If your a renter, thinking about buying, now is an excellent time. NHS can help whether you are a first time buyer or making improvements.

Rebate Program

Are you thinking about: installing a fence, porch/step repairs, landscaping, grass planting, roof repairs, gutters, etc.? NHS can help you with their rebate program.

Free Paint

Here is an offer you can't refuse. NHS paint program, through donations from Miller Brewing Company and other businesses is offering free Sherwin Williams paint. You can even select the colors. **Painting your home can increase or decrease it's value.**

Construction Advice

NHS construction specialist, Tom White, offers advice on reputable contractors and methods of improving your property. He has many years of experience which comes free to you. He may provide you with low cost suggestions you have not considered.

Happy Recipients -- Three residents have taken advantage of these benefits by utilizing the rebate program to install glass block basement windows, install a fence and rebuild a front porch. **Couldn't you use a 50% rebate up to \$250 to make these improvements too?**

Remember, the Martin Drive neighborhood has a pool of money set aside exclusively for the neighborhood. NHS has a two year contract with the Martin Drive neighborhood. At the end of two years they will review our use of their programs and will consider extending or adding to the programs. That is why we must use this money and show them we want to build this neighborhood. **Before beginning any of these projects you must contact NHS for requirements.**

For information on any programs, call or write:

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NeighborWorks
NHS-MILWAUKEE

*Neighborhood Cleanup - Saturday, August 28
Meet at 44th & Juneau at 9:00 a.m.*

**Food and Beverages to follow our cleanup efforts.
Potluck food contributions welcome but not required.**

**All volunteers welcome including kids.
Call the Block Watch Captains on Page 1 for more info.**

