

WUHCA Earth Day Community Clean Up Report 2015

Tasks:

- Recreation Facility and Parks Usage License Agreement City of Saskatoon for use of Willowgrove Square. Submit 6 weeks ahead. Sign and return once approved. \$26.24 fee pd.
- Invite school principals, city councillor, MLA, MP
- Arrange use of a truck & at least 4 adults to help set up/take down.
- Advertise event on FB page & Website, and magnet signs. April 22, 2014 10am-3pm.
- Keep track of # of participants: We used tally marks on the sidewalk with chalk.

Supplies

- Tent: Obtained from Marieke Knight city of Saskatoon Community Association Liaison. She got it from the summer in the parks program.
- Granola bars (Quaker nut free), fruit snacks (welch's) (total of 450 pieces), water (many cases of 24 bottles), juice boxes (80 total) purchased from Costco by WUHCA. Some kids can't eat gelatin in fruit snacks, or chocolate liquor in granola bars.
- Supplied by WUHCA exec members:
 - lawn chairs & folding table (Stacey)
 - two plastic recycling bins to hold garbage/recyclables at tent (Stacey)
 - clear bags for recyclables (from last year)
 - numerous small shopping bags for kids to use (some from Meewasin Clean up kits-Leah)
 - first aid kit, vinyl gloves, wipes (Stacey, left from last year, Leah)
 - small sharps plastic bin (used empty dishwasher pods container) & tongs to pick up sharps
 - use of ½ tonne truck to bring supplies & take away garbage (to WG school dumpster)
- Hot chocolate and coffee supplied by Pink Cadillacs. Participants went in to restaurant. Some classes had to skip this for time constraint.
- Poster board for make shift signs, chalk on the sidewalk worked well too.

Evaluation

- Amount collected: 18 large green garbage bags of loose trash from Wallace Park, Willowgrove Square, and Stensrud Rd.
- Engagement: Estimated 400+ participants. Point Optical(Jennifer Oleksyn), TCU (Lorie Boire), and Zach Jeffries (City Councillor) attended. Willowgrove Moms (Leah Kosh) advertised on their FB page and participants stemmed from that group. Many other participants cited magnet signs as info source for event. Support for annual event.
- Timing: Most right at start and after lunch.
- Participants demographics: Many young families and daycare providers attended as well as two pre-teens on their own. Many school classes from both schools came for snacks and to add their garbage to the pile.
- Transportation: Participants walked or biked to the square to participate and walked through the park, some leaving their bikes at the tent, others biking into the park.
- Collection: Bikes used by some as well as wagons by others to carry trash back to tent. Willowgrove School dumpster used with permission from Shane Armstrong (principal). Holy Family students mostly collected and deposited trash in their own dumpster. Some students didn't come to WUHCA tent, but participated on school property.
- Budget: \$159.44 spent by WUHCA of \$200 budget. Other costs absorbed by WUHCA members, free use of city tent, Pink Cadillacs hot chocolate/coffee, and Point Optical cheque for \$50.00 towards snacks. Many cases of bottled water consumed that were left over from fun day 2014. Total cost of event: **\$109.44** or, about \$0.27 per participant.