



## Next SJNA Meeting

Tuesday, April 4th @ 7:00 pm Online  
Zoom Meeting - [link on website](#)

1. City Neighbourhood Liaison Update
2. City Council Liaison Update
3. Chair/Co-Chair Update
4. Treasurer Update
5. VCAN Meeting Update
6. Greening Committee Update
7. CALUC Update
8. Park Fest Planning
9. Other Business
10. Open Discussion

If you would like to attend, the Zoom link will be posted on our website [southjubilee.ca](http://southjubilee.ca) under "Next Board Meeting", on our social media accounts, and also in our email newsletter.

## Get Involved - Join the SJNA Board!

We are looking for a few volunteers to join the team that manages our small neighbourhood association. Are you a person who loves building community, and making the area you live in a more vibrant part of the city? We would love to have you join the board and/or one of our active committees for **Community Land Use Committee, Greening Committee, Festival Committee, Bank Street School Redevelopment Committee**, as well as new committees we hope to start up to take on new projects. Please either email the board in advance to express your interest ([board@southjubilee.ca](mailto:board@southjubilee.ca)) or simply participate in the upcoming April meeting. Our neighbourhood association gets stronger with your involvement!

### Next Neighbourhood Recycle

Saturday, April 8th 10am—noon  
Bank Street School parking lot  
(Bank Street + Leighton).

Go to [southjubilee.ca/recycling](http://southjubilee.ca/recycling) for a list of accepted materials.

Please make sure your plastic is CLEAN.  
Dirty plastic can't be recycled.

Payment is by donation. Thank you!

## Get Growing, Victoria! Free Soil-Building Materials

South Jubilee is excited to be a distribution partner with Get Growing, Victoria! again this year. This City of Victoria program provides soil building materials and food seedlings with a priority to support underserved communities. The goals of the program are to grow food, grow gardeners, and grow community!

As part of the Get Growing, Victoria! program, leaf mulch, compost and woodchips produced at the City's nursery in Beacon Hill Park will be available:

**Date: Tuesday, March 28 - After 3:00pm**

**Location: Bank Street School parking lot (corner of Leighton and Bank St)**

*Please bring your own container and shovel.*

A heads up - the **seedling distribution** is happening **Saturday, June 3rd**. Watch for our poster or check our social media and website closer to the date for more information.

Visit [victoria.ca/getgrowing](http://victoria.ca/getgrowing) to learn more.



Get Growing, Victoria! is the winner of the BC Recreation and Parks Association (BCRPA) Program Excellence Award as well as the winner of the Social Impact Award in the 2022 Ecostar Awards which recognize outstanding environmental achievements and leadership on Vancouver Island.

## Greening Committee Project Update

Our **Redfern Park Commons Project** is full speed ahead! We could not do this without our many donors and volunteers! We are so very thankful for our 60 volunteers who have already put in over 85 hours. Also, we are grateful for time, expertise and funds committed by the **City of Victoria, Greenspace Designs, the Jawl Family, CSL, GD Mann and Gräscale Developments (GDI)**. And to our most recent donors, Jim who will be installing a mason bee house and--last but not least - we just received a significant donation to help us finish our pergola from **The Good City Project** (learn more on the website: [thegoodcityproject.ca](http://thegoodcityproject.ca))

This is a community fund created by **Big Wheel Community Foundation, Aryze Developments and Synergy Enterprises**. Together with the citizens of Greater Victoria, they support city-building projects that help create healthy, resilient and inclusive communities. Through collaboration and rapid action, they hope to make our public realm more interesting, diverse and fun for all. Projects financed through this fund will contribute to a more compact, equitable, green and livable city. This includes the exploration of placemaking and the public realm, and built environments that support a high quality of life without undermining natural systems.

**Aryze**, a company that believes in a thoughtful approach to the built environment, promoting thriving, resilient communities and enriched natural environments for current and future generations, helped to make this donation possible by a voluntary amenity contribution from Aryze's proposed purpose-built rental development at 1693 Fort Street.

**Big Wheel Burger** and the **Big Wheel Community Foundation** is proud to support this magnificent community place making initiative. The objective of our foundation is to provide funding that supports community projects that support a better community for us all to share. Community gardens are essential to health and well being and provide safe spaces for people of all ages to enjoy for years to come. Thanks to all of our customers, as without their support we would not be able to assist this fantastic community amenity.

Thank you to the SJNA Greening Committee who has been working hard on this for the past 3 years - Erin, Marc and Kathleen, and thanks to the SJNA Board for their support. If you would like to get involved or if you have any questions about the community garden, please contact the South Jubilee Neighbourhood Association's Greening Committee at [redfernparkcommons@gmail.com](mailto:redfernparkcommons@gmail.com)

- **Kathleen Laird, Volunteer Coordinator, Greening Committee**

## "Meet Your Neighbours"

*A new initiative to get to know fellow South Jubileers!*

SJNA wants to know: Are you interested in learning more about your neighbours via our newsletter and social media? Curious about who lives in South Jubilee if you're new to the neighbourhood? Do you have someone in mind deserving of recognition for their hard work and accomplishments?

We invite you to nominate someone or submit a little 'About You' questionnaire (to be posted on our website soon). We will reserve space in each newsletter to regularly spotlight a South Jubilee resident or highlight an act of kindness that makes this neighbourhood so special. Read on for a lovely message from Diana Leeming that demonstrates this.

We want to hear from you and learn about the people in your life that make it wonderful! Please email [engage@southjubilee.ca](mailto:engage@southjubilee.ca) or visit our website to submit a blurb about you or to nominate a neighbour.

## Neighbourhood Shoutout

*from Diana Leeming*

2022 was not a great year for me. I got covid in January which over the spring developed into long covid. I don't think I've ever felt so exhausted! I have epilepsy & in August I had a falling seizure & broke my left arm. My dark sky was looking even darker! My dear family lives in Nelson & because of their jobs & responsibilities just weren't able to help out (but my sister phoned me every night!). There was so much I couldn't do! But then friends & neighbours stepped up to help & the sky started to lighten!

My neighbour Kathy checked on me every day & did all manner of chores for me. When I could start walking (not very far!) neighbours Susan & a little later, Marc, walked with me. Such good company! Longtime friends Heather did my laundry, Martha vacuumed for me & Lorraine drove me to do errands. Cooking wasn't easy. My former neighbour Chris called Erin to see if she could help. Erin, who lives 2 houses away, and Damon & Lucas, Cleo & Abby (all good cooks!) brought me dinner 2 nights a week for months! Ron, my garden pal, cut the grass & the edges & kept the garden looking tended. Lisa & Joel, my next-door neighbours, constantly offered to help & brought me a delicious Christmas dinner. My fellow volunteers at the Oak Bay Church thrift dropped by to try & cheer me up!

What a lesson in a caring community & wonderful neighbours & friends! Gratefully, I am feeling better now. I want to thank all the wonderful people who helped me out so much! You made my dark sky a whole lot lighter! Thanks again!

- **Diana Leeming**