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The researchers could not say whether these changes were caused by the program, or whether future clients would see the same results. The evaluation also revealed some administrative problems and raised questions about program design, objectives, and outcome measures. (Download the evaluation at www.seattle.gov/council/burgess .)

"We're in a situation where the service providers are well-intentioned and working hard," Burgess said. "However, it is vital that taxpayer-funded programs demonstrate effectiveness. We know from other research that similar intervention programs have achieved some success, and our own programs have hints of such success, so it is prudent to continue funding while moving forward to fix the administrative and design problems.

"I also believe we must be creative in developing alternatives to traditional policing and incarceration practices. We have failed ourselves in so many ways — just look at our prison population. One in every 100 adult Americans is in prison. This is very sobering and it's not something we should accept." Burgess will propose that funding for the programs—approximately \$1 million per year—continue through Sept. 2010. In the meantime, he will propose that new program objectives be focused on improving neighborhood public safety and that rigorous evaluation protocols be put in place. He will ask that the city conduct a public bid process prior to awarding funding after Sept. 2010.

Burgess added that having a new mayor and new members on the City Council in January provides an opportunity to re-shape and refashion these programs to achieve the results being sought.

Council meetings are cablecast live on Seattle Channel 21 and Webcast live on the City Council's website at www.seattle.gov/council. Copies of legislation, archives of previous meetings, and news releases are available on www.seattle.gov/council. Follow the Council on Twitter at twitter.com/SeattleCouncil.



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STILL A GOOD INVESTMENT?!

Despite all of the bad news in the media about homeownership and mortgages, most Americans still believe buying a home is a great investment, according to a new study commissioned by Bankrate.com.

Among the findings from the study: 92% say that a home is a good investment for the future, 48% worry about losing or being unable to afford their homes.

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LAND USE NOTICE

Area: Northeast Address: 7931 DENSMORE AVE N
Project: 3008481 Zone: LOWRISE-3, RIPARIAN CORRIDOR,
SCENIC VIEW WITHIN 500 FT.

Land Use Application to subdivide one development site into four unit lots. The construction of residential units has been approved under Project #6132365. This subdivision of property is only for the purpose of allowing sale or lease of the unit lots. Development standards will be applied to the original parcel and not to each of the new unit lots.

BUILDING PERMITS

\$56,433; Convert basement hobby room into apartment and occupy per plan.
7300 5th Ave NE

\$190,000; Construct additions and alterations to existing single family residence (lift house), per plans. 2322 N 63rd St

\$162,000; Construct/remove (5) and replace with (4) new light poles to existing lower Woodland Park play field #7 per plan. 5201 Green Lake Way N

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Seattle Magazine



TESTIMONIALS

Dear Steve,

We would like to thank you for the outstanding job you did in selling our house. You made the process as painless as possible and we appreciate your professional attitude. You are truly one of the best agents out there and we feel lucky to have worked with you again. Hopefully our paths will cross again, until then best of luck to you.

Sincerely yours,
Phil and Michele McNamee

To Roger,

We wanted to write you a note to thank you for making our first home buying experience as pleasant as it can be. We feel that it was a success because of a lot of your help and flexibility of time you spent with us. You were very approachable which was important to us as we had no experience with home buying. We highly recommend you to our friends and family who will be also first time home buyers. We appreciate your knowledge.

You were able to share your experience as a realtor. With all of the home shopping we did and all of the agents we met and worked with we feel glad to have bought with you. We love our new house and thanks again.

The Andersons

-Thanks for the welcome basket. What a nice treat.



OCTOBER 2009

GREEN LAKE NEIGHBORHOOD ADVISOR

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SOLD HOMES

The following is a list of homes that sold in our Green lake Neighborhood over the last month. Do you wonder what your house is worth? The décor, the features and condition all have a bearing on the price a house will command. We have seen the interiors of most of the homes in this list. If you are selling your home, please let us help you. We would be happy to view your home, prepare a market analysis and discuss the details with you. We can provide you with useful information, such as a sales price that might be realistically expected in today's market.

Address	Bed	Bath	Age	Style	Sold Price
348 NE 53rd St	3	1	1919	1 Story w/Bsmnt.	\$350,000
7920 Ashworth Ave N	3	2.25	2008	Townhouse	\$420,000
138 NE 62nd St	2	1	1918	1 Story w/Bsmnt.	\$432,000
7934 Densmore Ave N	2	1	1922	1 Story w/Bsmnt.	\$490,000
5403 Kensington Pl N	4	1.75	1913	1 Story w/Bsmnt.	\$510,000
5236 Kirkwood Pl N	4	1.75	1918	1 Story w/Bsmnt.	\$520,000
8024 Stroud Ave N	3	2	1908	2 Stories w/Bsmnt	\$530,000
8031 Meridian Ave N	3	3	1929	1 1/2 Stry w/Bsmt	\$535,000
1127 N 78th St	4	2.5	1929	2 Stories w/Bsmnt	\$572,191
5808 Woodlawn Ave N	3	3.25	1985	2 Stories w/Bsmnt	\$675,000
203 NE 77th St	4	3.5	2008	2 Stories w/Bsmnt	\$860,000

GREEN LAKE MONTHLY HOME SALES E-MAILED DIRECTLY TO YOU!

Sign up now for a free monthly service. You can have Green Lake home sales e-mailed to you every month. The e-mail will contain all of the homes that sold in Green Lake for that month. With this e-mail you can see interior pictures of the homes that sold as well as get data on each home such as the price it sold for, BR, BTH, SQ FOOTAGE, ETC.

You will not receive any other junk e-mail. And your e-mail address will NOT be given to anybody else.

To sign up for this free service just send an e-mail to Steve Laevastu stating that you want to get Green Lake home sales e-mailed to you.. Steve's e-mail address is sold@windermere.com

This service has been very popular and received numerous compliments from a number of Green Lake residents.



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Seattle Events Calendar

SEATTLE LESBIAN AND GAY FILM FESTIVAL OCTOBER 16-25, 2009 SEVERAL VENUES THROUGHOUT SEATTLE

This is one of the 'most respected' and attended Alternative Film Festivals in the Nation, and lasts for a week towards the end of October. Produced by Three Dollar Bill Cinema, the Seattle Lesbian and Gay Film Festival features full-length Films and Shorts about gay... lesbian... bisexual... and transgendered communities.

The Seattle Lesbian and Gay Film Festival offers both American & International Films, covering a wide variety of themes. The Egyptian Theater shows many Festival Films... and the Little Theater on Capitol Hill also participates. For more info: <http://www.seattlequeerfilm.com/>

EARSHOT JAZZ FESTIVAL OCTOBER 17 - NOVEMBER 8, 2009 VARIOUS LOCATIONS THROUGHOUT SEATTLE

This annual Jazz Festival lasting Two Weeks from October - November... brings in notable Jazz Players from all around the world.

Spread-out over several venues... the Earshot Jazz Festival includes Concerts, Jam Sessions, Master Classes, Lectures and Workshops. For more info: <http://www.earshot.org/>

SEATTLE INTERNATIONAL AUTO SHOW NOVEMBER 11-15, 2009 QWEST FIELD EVENT CENTER

From November 11th - November 15th, you will be amazed by all of the New and 'soon-to-be' ... automobiles available at the 2009 Seattle International Auto Show. Virtually every make and model of new car and truck, foreign and domestic will be on display.

Whether you're in the market for a New Vehicle, or just simply want to experience the thrill of seeing the latest models... 'hands-on'... the huge Seattle Auto Show is a nice retreat from the Fall 'blahs'. For more info: <http://www.seattleautoshow.com/>

SAFECO INSURANCE FESTÁL: TURKFEST SATURDAY, OCTOBER 17, 2009 - 12:00PM


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YOUR CITY, RIGHT NOW: SEATTLE LAUNCHES "CITYLINK" FROM POLICE TO FIRE TO PARKS, CITY DEPARTMENTS DELIVER IMMEDIATE INFORMATION

SEATTLE – Residents have a new, faster way to keep in touch with what's happening in their neighborhood as the city launches "Citylink Seattle," a new Web site and network of news feeds from utilities, parks, police, fire and many other city departments.

"Citylink Seattle takes our city beyond traditional news releases and printed newsletters to delivering faster, more immediate information that keeps you in touch with your city in one convenient place," said Mayor Greg Nickels.

Citylink Seattle offers residents the latest information, such as police and fire activities, events at parks and the Seattle Center, and up-to-the-minute news about traffic and utilities. Eleven city departments are part of the initial launch, each creating news feeds and displaying the latest headlines on their department homepages. All the information from those individual pages is collected and fed immediately into the Citylink Seattle Web site (www.citylink.seattle.gov), where residents can view updates from across the city.

The 11 newsfeeds are:

- Power Lines: News and updates from Seattle City Light
- SPD blotter: News and updates from the Seattle Police Department
- On the Move: Advisories from the Seattle Department of Transportation
- At Your Service: Seattle Public Utilities news and events
- Fire Line: News and updates from the Seattle Fire Department
- Building Connections: Seattle Department of Planning and Development news
- Art Beat: Seattle Arts and Cultural Affairs news and events
- Center Spotlight: Seattle Center news and events
- The Scoop: Seattle Animal Shelter news and events
- Parkways: Seattle Parks and Recreation news and events
- Bottom Line: News and updates from Seattle's Office of Economic Development

Residents can also sign up for RSS feeds and get information sent directly to their phones or mobile devices. In addition, residents can subscribe to real-time information through Twitter and be alerted to the latest Citylink Seattle news from several departments, including Seattle Police (twitter.com/seattlepd), Fire (twitter.com/seattlefire), City Light (twitter.com/seacitylight) and the Seattle Department of Transportation (twitter.com/seattledot).

FESTIVALS AND EVENTS COLOR THE CHARACTER OF SEATTLE'S NEIGHBORHOODS

SEATTLE — Festivals and events color the character of Seattle's neighborhoods. Community groups planning a neighborhood arts or cultural event in 2010 can apply for funding through the Office of Arts & Cultural Affairs' Neighborhood & Community Arts program.

The funding program helps Seattle's neighborhood art councils and community-based groups produce festivals and events that enhance the visibility of neighborhoods, promote cultural participation, celebrate diversity and build community through arts and culture.

Neighborhood arts councils and community-based groups that have been in existence for at least one year may seek annual support for a recurring festival or event that has a significant arts and cultural component, is open to the public and takes place in Seattle. Applicants are not required to have 501(c) (3) tax-exempt status.

Funded organizations each receive \$1,200 to support direct project expenses, including artist fees, marketing and promotional fees, venue and equipment rentals or other production-related expenses. Funds may not be used for fundraising or organizational administrative expenses. Link to the online application at www.seattle.gov/arts.

In 2009, the funding program provided \$1,200 each to 37 organizations to support annual public festivals and events.

VIRTUAL MEETING: HOW IS YOUR NEIGHBORHOOD DOING?

The Seattle Planning Commission and Neighborhood Planning Advisory Committee want your feedback about the status of your neighborhood plan and the changes that have occurred since your plan was adopted. We've set up a "virtual meeting" on the Seattle Planning Commission's website where you can follow three simple steps to provide feedback about your neighborhood: www.seattle.gov/planningcommission/. Your comments will help the City of Seattle complete a status report that will look at how well the goals and strategies of your neighborhood plan are being achieved.

Status reports are being planned for 24 neighborhoods throughout the city. The reports provide a brief overview of the key goals and strategies of each neighborhood plan. The reports include information about the built environment, transportation, housing, parks and recreation, and facilities and utilities. The following neighborhoods will receive status reports this year:

- Admiral
- Aurora/Licton Springs
- Belltown
- Broadview/Bitter Lake/Haller Lake
- Capitol Hill
- Central Area
- Columbia City/Hillman City/Genesee
- Delridge
- Eastlake
- First Hill
- Fremont
- Grown Hill/Ballard
- Georgetown
- Greenwood/Phinney Ridge
- Lake City
- Morgan Junction
- Pike/Pine
- Queen Anne
- Rainier Beach
- University Community
- Wallingford
- West Seattle Junction
- Westwood/Highland Park

The virtual meeting will be available until Wednesday, August 12. Your feedback will be used to finalize the status reports, which will be available for review this fall. A "State of the Neighborhoods" report will be compiled and submitted to City Council by the end of 2009. This report will include all of the status reports as well as summaries of the responses to the questionnaire.

We hope you can take the time to share your thoughts about our neighborhood. For more information contact: Katie Sheehy | Planning Commission Analyst | Seattle Planning Commission | (206) 684-8694 | katie.sheehy@seattle.gov

COUNCIL TO SEEK CONTINUED FUNDING FOR SPECIAL CRIME REDUCTION PROGRAMS EVALUATION OF CO-STARS, GOTS, AND CURB INCONCLUSIVE

SEATTLE – Councilmember Tim Burgess, chair of the City Council's Public Safety, Human Services and Education Committee said today that he would urge the Council to continue funding innovative crime prevention programs as it has since 2006.

The Council established the Court Specialized Treatment and Access to Recovery Services (CO-STARS), Get Off The Streets (GOTS), and Communities Uniting Rainier Beach (CURB) programs to reduce street crime by providing services to individuals with a history of chronic criminal offending or who are at risk to offend due to homelessness, chemical dependency or mental illness.

University of Washington Professor Steve Herbert and a team of researchers recently completed an independent evaluation of the programs. Overall, jail bookings among CO-STARS clients fell 30 percent after program entry, among GOTS clients bookings dropped 26 percent, while bookings of CURB clients increased 11 percent.



SEATTLE CENTER NEWS STAR WARS: IN CONCERT

OCT. 13, 7:30PM | KEYARENA

Attention Star Wars fans! Hear, see and experience Star Wars from a unique multi-media perspective. Slices of scenes from the six Star Wars episodes will come to life on a colossal LED screen, while Anthony Daniels (the actor who portrayed C-3PO in all six films) narrates the epic Star Wars tale, all accompanied by John William's iconic music performed on stage by a full symphony orchestra and chorus. Tickets are still available.

SEATTLE CENTER NEWS CELTIC THUNDER

NOV. 10 – 11, 7:30PM

MARION OLIVER MCCAW HALL

This powerhouse ensemble comprised of five Celtic solo male voices comes to Marion Oliver McCaw Hall as part of a 50-city U.S. tour in promotion of the group's latest CD and DVD, Take Me Home, released on July 14th. Revered for its eclectic style with songs ranging from a solo to an ensemble focus, Celtic Thunder promises a lively show filled with dramatic effects via lighting and choreography as well as a stage set resembling the ancient stone pathways referenced in Celtic lore.

LA TRAVIATA SEATTLE OPERA

OPENING PERFORMANCE

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 17, 2009 | 7:30PM

MARION OLIVER MCCAW HALL

For more info: <http://www.seattleopera.org/>

SEATTLE SPORTS SCHEDULE

SOUNDERS FC HOME GAMES

<http://www.soundersfc.com>

FC DALLAS 10/24 7:30PM

SEAHAWKS NFL HOME GAME

<http://www.seahawks.com/>

JAGUARS 10/11 1:15PM

CARDINALS 10/18 1:05PM

LIONS 11/08 1:05PM

HUSKIES HOME GAME

<http://www.gohuskies.com/>

ARIZONA 10/10 TBA

OREGON 10/24 TBA