

**Champlain Park Community Association
Annual General Meeting (November 30, 2022)**

MEMBERSHIP REPORT (2022)

As this is the first time since Summer 2019 that we did an in-person membership drive, a small membership committee (Josh Bizjak, Mary Bridgeo, Jennie Hornosty, Richard Lohead, Kris Phillips) designed a flyer that was distributed to every household ahead of the membership drive. Special thanks to Mary for the text and to Alex Smith for the layout and the printing. Also, thanks to Carol Arnason, Kris Phillips and Nick Xenos for distributing all the flyers.

Many Thanks to the Volunteer Canvassers: As in the past, we had great canvassers, including a number of people who volunteered for the first time. Thanks to: Maija Adamsons, Mary Bridgeo, Sara Chen-Wing, Barbera de Bruyn, Kelly Egan, Alexandra Evershed, Laurie Fagan, Lynda Fancy, Liz Gyalokay, Sebastian Hadjiantoniou, Jennie Hornosty, Jen Neate, Kathy Luu, Kris Phillips, Sarah Reesor, Katherine Viens, Wendy Warburton, Sherri Watson, Nick Xenos.

Payment Options: This year residents had the option of paying their membership fees either by cash/cheque or e-transfer. Thanks to Dave Harding, CPCA Treasurer, for managing and recording the e-transfer payments.

Total Membership Fees Collected: \$5,718 (this includes both e-transfers and monies collected by canvassers)

Of the 405 occupied households in Champlain Park, **71% (286) became members.** This is slightly down from 2019. (We have a total of 439 addresses in the neighbourhood. 34 were noted by canvassers as either vacant or 'for sale' lots.)

Our neighbourhood continues to experience turnover, with new construction, more houses for sale and new families moving in. **We extend a special welcome to those members who are new to our neighbourhood,** since 2019.

Like in previous years, there is a **lot of variability in membership uptake** on the 20 different routes. The range goes from a **low of 35%** households becoming members on one route to a **high of 94%** on another route. The explanation for this is not obvious. Canvassers generally returned two or three times to households if someone was 'not home' the first go around. Some canvassers left information of how to contact them. And, flyers delivered at the start of the membership canvas indicated the option of e-transfer.

Membership funds collected help fund our various social activities, they go towards enhancing and protecting our green space, and supporting engagement with City planning and by-law processes to preserve our neighbourhood character.

Consider how you might become involved and make more things happen!

Volunteers are the backbone of our community association and help to make our neighbourhood a diverse, inclusive, vibrant and welcoming community. What more would you like to see happen here? **What are your ideas or special interests?** For example, would you be interested in helping organize a movie night, a speaker series, a specific cultural event, a reading group, informal afternoon get-togethers, etc.? **All these things are possible, but only if volunteers take the lead.** Contact myself or any member of the CPCA Board if you are interested in becoming more involved.

Respectfully submitted
Jennie Hornosty (Membership Coordinator)