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COMMUNITY RESIDENTS' VIEWS MADE KNOWN IN QUALITY OF LIFE REPORT

Winnipeg Quality of Life Report is now available in City of Winnipeg libraries and on Seed Winnipeg's website.

The Winnipeg Quality of Life project was designed by 20 community and government groups; the report is now available in City of Winnipeg libraries and on the Seed Winnipeg website. The Winnipeg Quality of Life Survey (WQLS) gathered baseline data on community members' perceptions about the quality of life in Winnipeg's community centre areas. The questionnaire contained 69 demographic and contextual questions that included questions on health. The Winnipeg Quality of Life Report was designed to assist community groups to plan and develop programs that best meet the needs of their communities.

Cindy Coker, Executive Director of Seed says "We are excited that this report is available in the libraries because communities can use it more easily." This initiative is part of our commitment to provide community groups with information with which to plan. Eleven hundred residents were surveyed about the quality of life in neighbourhoods throughout the city. The survey results are a snapshot of the quality of life in community centre areas across the city, and these results can be used by government organizations, residents, and community groups to make policy suggestions and to develop programs.

To ensure the information in this study is of use, it must be easily accessible to Winnipeg residents. Only then can community groups use the data that are of greatest interest. "We have found the information contained in this report of be a valuable tool in the construction of programs and proposals for use in the community," Inonge Aliaga, Executive Director, Spence Neighbourhood Association.

A summary of results will be presented in Central Park in front of 400 Edmonton Street at 2:00 P.M. on Thursday, June 15th, 2006.

The full report can be viewed in the library or at the following site:
<http://www.seedwinnipeg.ca>

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