

Research Opportunity!

Do you live or work near a known polluted or industrial area in Winnipeg?

Are you concerned about the impacts of these sites on you and your neighbourhood?

Do you wish you could do something about it but don't know how?

You might be interested in the Manitoba Eco-Network's Healthy Environment, Healthy Neighbourhood (HEHN) project. This project will use information collected from community members and legal/policy research to understand the best ways to empower communities who live near polluted industrial sites in Winnipeg. We are looking for volunteers who want to share their stories about what it's like to live near polluted places. Areas of study include places such as Point Douglas, Centennial, St. Boniface, and other central Winnipeg locations.

Why Should You Participate?

- Share your story about what it's like to live, work, and play near contaminated and industrial sites.
- Help us to learn about your community's experiences near contaminated and industrial sites.
- Help us to identify the best ways for your community to advocate for itself and seek justice for the impacts of living near contaminated and industrial sites.

Who Can Participate? You must be:

- You live, work, or attend school in a project area (inner-city & adjacent areas), which we will confirm when you reach out to us.
- Aged 18 and over,
- Legally able to give consent,
- Willing to have a recorded interview (we'll keep it strictly confidential),
- Able to access to an internet connection or phone to participate in the interview, and
- Able to conduct the interview from a private place.

You must also meet at least one of the following:

- You have personally experienced and/or work with community members experiencing impacts because they live or work near industrial developments and/or brownfield sites within project area.

- You hold a position in a community renewal corporation, residential organization, grassroots community group, or government agency that works in the project area.

If you decide to take part in our project, we will work with you to schedule a single interview that will be held over Zoom or by phone. The interview will take 1 hour. Questions will focus on your experiences and personal perspectives of living near contaminated and industrial sites. Interviews will be kept confidential. English-language interpretation is also available. You may also qualify for \$50 compensation for your interview.

For more information, visit www.mbeconetwork.org, call (204) 947-6511, or email info@mbeconetwork.org to get more information on criteria for the study and obtain a consent form to participate. Please be aware that any information that you share with us via email or phone will be kept strictly confidential, including your email, name, or any other identifying information.

This research has been approved by the Research Ethics Board at the University of Manitoba, Fort Garry campus.

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