

**Community Assessment for St. John's
A Questionnaire about Your Neighbourhood
May 2011**

As you know, St. John's is undertaking this project to build a better understanding of the neighbourhoods that make up the community around the church. **We would appreciate your help with this process!**

Who knows your neighbourhood better than you? So, if you live on the peninsula in the area between (and including) the Hydrostone/Windsor Park in the north and Coburg Road/Spring Garden Road in the south, please help us by answering the following questions as best you can. Feel free to either fill it in right away or use the summer to take a closer look at your neighbourhood, talk with others and observe what happens. Our deadline is **SUNDAY SEPTEMBER 3RD**, but it can be submitted anytime. You will be reminded in August, if necessary.

Please define your neighbourhood in any way you want. It can be one street, part of a street, several streets, or a single apartment building – it just needs to be the area you are familiar with. Please include as much information as you can and use more paper if you need it. We are interested in your observations and opinions!

- 1. What is your name?**
- 2. Which streets do you include in your neighbourhood? Please indicate the boundaries.**
- 3. How many years have you lived there?**
- 4. What type of housing does it have? Mainly single family houses? A mixture of houses and apartment? Mainly apartments or condos? Please describe the mix.**
- 5. How has the housing on the street changed over the past five years or so? For example, have single family houses been renovated? Have houses been split into two or more units? Have apartments been built? Please describe the changes and give your opinion about them.**
- 6. How would you describe the households in your neighbourhood on the street? Mainly families with children? Mainly couples? Mainly single persons living in groups (such as students)? A mixture? Please give as much information as you can.**

- 7. How has this mixture changed over the past five years? For example, there may be more children, childless couples, single young people, seniors, or immigrant families. What do you think about this transition?**

- 8. Are there formal or informal events or activities that help neighbours get to know each other during the year? Are there places where people meet and chat? Please describe the different ways people can interact.**

- 9. Would you say that neighbours try to get to know one another? What do they do? Is that changing?**

- 10. Are you aware of people who have health or mobility issues and might welcome more engagement in the community or help with daily living?**

- 11. Would you say the neighbourhood is welcoming to children? In what ways? What else could be done?**

- 12. Do you have any thoughts on what more could be done for families?**

Thanks for your help!

You can get it back to us by dropping this off at the church, mailing it to: c/o Anne Muecke, 6233 Willow Street, Halifax NS B3L 1P1 or send it by e-mail to anne@griffithsmuecke.com