



January 2013

Dear Colleague:

The Metro Paint-A-Thon helps seniors and people with physical disabilities continue to live independently in their own homes. We assign volunteer teams to scrape, prime and paint home exteriors for our low-income clients, at no cost to the homeowner.

Despite the economic challenges that lie ahead, we are committed to providing the same, high-quality service, absolutely free of charge to eligible homeowners in Anoka, Carver, Dakota, Hennepin, Ramsey, Scott, and Washington counties. Won't you help us get this information into the hands of homeowners who can benefit from our painting service?

The attached application outlines eligibility requirements and additional program information. Please feel free to give the application directly to the homeowner or refer them to our office at 612-276-1579. This application reproduces well, should you need more copies; otherwise you may also download the application from our website at: paintathon.gmcc.org (Go to "homeowner application" on the left.)

Thank you in advance for helping to disseminate this information – through your bulletins, newsletters, web site or mailings – and for helping low-income seniors and individuals with disabilities access another service to help keep them living independently.

If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to contact me at 612-276-1579 or mchandler@gmcc.org. I look forward to hearing from you.

With appreciation and best wishes for the new year,

Molly Chandler

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Director, Senior Services



Metro Paint-A-Thon Homeowner Application

Metro Paint-A-Thon is a program that helps low-income seniors and people with permanent physical disabilities continue to live independently in their own homes. A volunteer team is matched to scrape, prime and paint the exterior of each eligible home/garage, thereby keeping it well-maintained, beautiful and an asset to the neighborhood. **All of this is done at no cost to the homeowner.**

Eligible homeowners must:

1. Be over the age of 60 or have a permanent physical disability.
2. Own and occupy a single-family home in Anoka, Carver, Dakota, Hennepin, Ramsey, Scott or Washington county that needs the exterior painted, but does not need major repairs.
3. Live in a home where the monthly income of all persons living there does not exceed the following guidelines:

| Household Size | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 |
|----------------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|
| Monthly Income | \$1,800 | \$2,500 | \$3,100 | \$3,700 | \$4,300 |

2013 Application Timeline

April 12: Application deadline.

Late Spring/Early Summer: Paint-A-Thon home inspector visits and evaluates the home of each applicant.

Paint colors selected. (You may choose one of 13 colors of Valspar paint. We cannot provide stain. If your project requires stain, or a color you prefer that we do not offer, you will be responsible for that purchase.)

July 15: All applicants will be notified if they have been chosen for the 2013 Paint-A-Thon or referred to another organization for assistance.

If your home is selected

July: Volunteer team leader contacts homeowner to make painting arrangements.

August 3-4: Paint-A-Thon Weekend (when most homes are painted).

If your home is not selected

Homes are selected based on financial need, the condition of the home and suitability for volunteer workers. Because we do not always have enough volunteer teams to paint each eligible home, some homes are declined. If your house is not chosen for 2013, you may complete a new application for the 2014 Paint-A-Thon.

Please note: Metro Paint-A-Thon does not paint home interiors, duplexes, rental properties or homes the owner no longer occupies, nor do we prepare homes to go up for sale.

For more information, contact:

Molly Chandler, Director of Senior Services at mchandler@gmcc.org or 612-276-1579

2013 Paint-A-Thon Application

Homeowner Name: _____ Date of Birth: _____

Spouse (if applicable): _____ Date of Birth: _____

Street Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____ County: _____

Home Phone: _____ Other Phone: _____

Eligibility

Those aged 60 and older are eligible. Individuals younger than 60 with a permanent, physical disability are also eligible and must attach a physician's statement defining the disability. Applications will not be processed without this statement.

☐ I am 60 or older.

☐ I am younger than 60, but have a permanent physical disability and my physician's statement is enclosed.

Household

Number of children/dependents living with you: _____ Number of renters/roommates: _____

If there are other adults living in the home besides you, are they able to help paint? ☐ Yes ☐ No

If no, please explain: _____

Monthly Income Calculation Public Assistance \$_____ + Pensions \$_____ + Annuities \$_____ + Rental Income \$_____ + Salaries \$_____ + Social Security received by all household members \$_____ = **Total Income** \$_____ *Verification may be requested.*

Emergency Contact (Required) - Please list a local relative, neighbor or friend.

Name: _____ Relationship: _____ Phone: _____

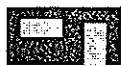
Demographic Information (Optional)

We appreciate you providing the following information for our grant reporting. This information is for statistical use only and will not in any way influence the selection process. Please check the categories that best represent you:

☐ African American ☐ American Indian ☐ Asian American ☐ Bi-Racial ☐ Caucasian/White ☐ Chicano/Latino
☐ Female ☐ Male ☐ Veteran

Your Home

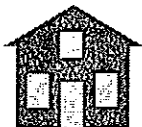
Which most resembles the size of your house?



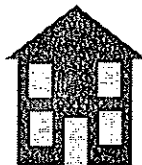
☐ Mobile



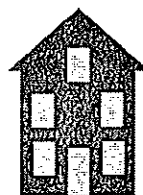
☐ 1 Story



☐ 1.5 Story



☐ 2 Story



☐ 2.5 Story



☐ Garage Only

What year was your home built? _____

When was your home or garage last painted? _____

Has Paint-A-Thon painted your home before? ☐ Yes ☐ No If yes, what year(s): _____

It is very important that the volunteers have access to a bathroom. Would yours be available? ☐ Yes ☐ No

Areas that need painting: (Mark all that apply)

☐ House Siding ☐ House Trim ☐ Garage Siding ☐ Garage Trim ☐ Other: _____

Siding Type

House: ☐ Wood ☐ Brick ☐ Shakes ☐ Stucco ☐ Painted Stucco ☐ Asbestos/Slate ☐ Aluminum ☐ Vinyl

Garage: ☐ Wood ☐ Brick ☐ Shakes ☐ Stucco ☐ Painted Stucco ☐ Asbestos/Slate ☐ Aluminum ☐ Vinyl

Trim Type

House: ☐ Wood ☐ Vinyl ☐ Metal

Garage: ☐ Wood ☐ Vinyl ☐ Metal

Does your home currently have a citation from the city? ☐ Yes ☐ No

If yes, please include your deadline, the city inspector's name and phone number and a copy of the letter you have been given:

Certification and Signatures

I certify that the information in this application is true to the best of my knowledge and belief. I also certify that I do not plan or intend to sell my home within the next two years. I am aware that I will be charged for the cost of the paint and the time should the house be sold within two years from the date painted, unless it is determined that there are extenuating circumstances. I confirm that any physically able person(s) residing in my home or visiting for the project day will work alongside Paint-A-Thon volunteers. I also confirm that, except for conditions that may be described in this application, my home and the surrounding area is a safe place for volunteers.

I understand that my home may be tested for the presence of lead-based paint by the Paint-A-Thon home inspector. I am aware that the Paint-A-Thon director may refer my application to a partner organization, if that group can more quickly and effectively care for my home, and that I will be notified in the event that happens.

I understand that if my home is selected, photographs may be taken of me and/or my home, and these photographs may be used by the news media and/or in publications and materials to help promote Metro Paint-A-Thon and/or the Greater Minneapolis Council of Churches.

I understand that the people who may work on my home are unpaid volunteers; that few (if any) of these volunteers are skilled in the building trades; and that Metro Paint-A-Thon and the Greater Minneapolis Council of Churches, make no warranties or representation, express or implied, about any of the material(s) used or work done by anyone on my house. I hereby release Metro Paint-A-Thon and the Greater Minneapolis Council of Churches, and all associated with it, from all liability arising from negligence for any personal injury or property damage arising out of or relating to the work done on my house. I further certify that I have, and will maintain, homeowner's insurance.

Homeowner #1 Signature: _____ **Date:** _____

Homeowner #2 Signature, if applicable: _____ **Date:** _____

Please complete if you are a non-homeowner assisting the homeowner in completing this application:

Name (Please Print): _____

Relationship: _____ **Daytime Phone:** _____

Return completed application to: Metro Paint-A-Thon, P.O. Box 7509, Minneapolis, MN 55407