

WHAT WE DO

Planning & Development Ensure future new development is in keeping with the character of the neighbourhood.

Seek opportunities for additional green space.

Address property standards issues.

Advocate for affordable and diverse housing options.

Heritage Encourage heritage designation, heritage conservation districts and cultural heritage landscapes.

Promote adaptive reuses.

Protect existing heritage.



Community & Communication Share with residents on Durand neighbourhood, Ward 2 and citywide issues and initiatives.

Keep residents and local businesses informed through the Durand newsletter, **the durander**, and social media avenues.

Respond to resident concerns.

Climate Action Support efforts made by local environmental groups and government to tackle climate change.

Encourage members to engage in actions that will make a difference in the community.

Complete Streets Advocate for safe streets for pedestrians, cyclists and cars.

Collaborate with our Councillor and City staff for safer street design to protect our neighbourhood.



Events Association funding comes from Membership fees but the Grand Durand Garden Tour is our main source of funding. All proceeds go directly to benefiting the Durand community including many free events. These include: Easter Egg Hunt; Pumpkin Patch in the Park; Movie Night; Our Annual General Meeting to name a few.



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It's in your dna!

WHERE WE LIVE

The Durand Neighbourhood is a downtown neighbourhood in the City of Hamilton bound by Main Street West, James Street South, Queen Street South and the Escarpment, with a population of approximately 13,000.

ABOUT US

The Durand Neighbourhood Association (DNA) is a politically independent community organization, chartered as a not-for-profit provincial corporation.

The **DNA's MISSION** is to be the voice of the neighbourhood. We are a resource and an advocate. We engage residents and stakeholders and champion for neighbourhood priorities.

The **DNA's VISION** is to be the model downtown community that champions natural and built heritage, with priorities in creating a diverse, sustainable, inclusive and vibrant future.

WHO WE ARE

Since its beginning, the Durand Neighbourhood Association (DNA) has had strong leadership and a history of civic engagement. In the 70's, it saved this historic neighbourhood from the threat of real estate speculation, demolitions and high-rise construction. As a result, the DNA organized and fought uncontrolled development and demolitions and continues today to meet ongoing challenges.

Durand is not only historic but unique. It offers heritage districts, outstanding architecture, diverse housing options, thriving shops and restaurants. This makes Durand one of the most desirable places to live in Hamilton.

Our proud organization is regarded as a premier neighbourhood association. For the DNA to continue to be a vital and an integral part of the Durand and the City, we must be able to identify and adapt to changing community needs and to enlist active citizen support and participation when needed.

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SOME OF DNA's SUCCESSES OVER 50 YEARS OF INCORPORATION

- > Residents organize to protect neighbourhood from uncontrolled development & demolition
- > City acquires properties bordered by Park, Charlton, Bay & Herkimer Streets for "Durand" Park; officially open same decade
- > Central Public School & Sandyford Place are designated as National Historic Sites
- > Adaptive reuse of Carnegie Library, Sandyford Place & Southam Mansion
- > Revised Durand Neighbourhood plan approved



- > DNA & neighbours win support for improvements that preserve the natural environment as a result of building James Mountain Road --> City purchases & designates St. Mark's Church property
- > DNA receives Vision 20/20 Recognition Award
- > Millennium project produced two books & hosted a symposium for Ontario neighbourhoods
- > DNA hosts picnics & house & garden tours
- > Traffic study implemented
- > Business plan developed for park improvements
- > Council approves St. Mark's as a cultural/community facility
- > Traffic safety addressed; lower speeds, protected bike lanes, 2-way conversion, traffic humps
- > Durand park revitalization completed
- > Community engagement; many park events
- > Planning initiative; character zoning, built heritage inventory, new secondary plan

WHY GET INVOLVED? Connect and interact with your community; Provide input on safety and livability issues that impact residents; Participate in community building; Stay informed about planned development projects; all leading to a better Durand. Go to <https://www.durandna.com/become-a-member/> to join OR fill out the membership application below.

DNA Membership Application Form

Email: _____

Alternate Email: _____

1st & Last Name: _____

Alternate 1st & Last Name: _____

Address: _____ Unit: _____

City: _____ Province: _____

Postal Code: _____ Contact #: _____

in your household? _____

Circle your membership term:

1 YEAR \$10; 2 YEARS \$15; 3 YEARS \$20

Donation \$ _____ Total Remittance: \$ _____

Circle your answers below:

Are you a NEW member? YES or NO

Are you affiliated with an Association? YES

Enter Name

Would you like to be an

1. Event volunteer? YES or NO

2. DNA board member? YES or NO



Make your cheque payable to the Durand Neighbourhood Association Inc. and remit it to c/o 188 Duke Street Hamilton, Ontario L8P 1Y2.