



# MORNINGSIDER

*The Official Newsletter of MorningSide*

*Home of the Back to Back Best Eastside Community Organization!*



The Spirit of Detroit. Image courtesy of Jason Hutchinson

## Expectations will be upheld for Our Elected Officials

**Jeffrey D. Lewis II | The Morningsider**

Detroit — With the election season finally behind us in the city of Detroit, the real work of uplifting our neighborhoods and improving the morale of our citizens begins now.

Voters once again place their faith in incumbent Mayor Mike Duggan by electing him to his third term as the city's top elected official. Janice M. Winfrey will also be returning to the office of City Clerk for her fifth term.

The most turnover took place on Detroit's City Council, as we will see six new members (District 2 - Angela Whitfield Calloway, District 4 - Latisha Johnson, District 6 - Gabriela Santiago Romero, District 7- Fred Durhal, and Members At-Large - Coleman A. Young II and Mary Waters). take office for their first term in January.

I would like to take a moment to address our governmental body that will oversee how our city will function over the next four years.

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**Three Mile Munich Park Gets New Sidewalks – at Last**

**Susan Newell** | The Morningsider



**New sidewalks surrounds the Three Mile Munich Park. Image courtesy of Jim West**

Thanks to the city's new Office of Disability Affairs, the Three Mile Munich Park finally has functioning sidewalks.

For several years, we had used the normal channels to point out the badly damaged sidewalks left behind by demolitions done years ago and their potential hazard to residents with mobility problems. In some areas, the sidewalks had been completely destroyed and replaced by grass, limiting people's access to the park's amenities and creating a very unsightly appearance.

When we raised the issue last month with the Office of Disability Affairs, the staff there understood that the situation was unacceptable and needed immediate attention. A few days after we notified them, a crew from DPW came to the park and started work. We are still waiting for new curbs in a few spots, but the park now looks like a city park should look. Thank you, Christopher Samp, Director of Disability Affairs and Jaime Junior, Community Coordinator!

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*Susan Newell, retired nurse and resident of MorningSide since 1984. Serves as the Associate Editor of The Morningsider*

## *A Word From The MCO President's Desk*

Eric Dueweke | The Morningsider

In last month's column, I wrote about appreciating those City departments who are responsive to community requests for action. This month, I unfortunately must represent the opposite viewpoint.

Mayor Duggan, our Department of Neighborhoods District Managers and other staff consistently tell us to report blight and other problems via the Improve Detroit app, commonly known as "SeeClickFix." While in my experience SeeClickFix often brings results, there are also many occasions where this channel simply does not work. One current example of inaction is the prominent illegal dumping pile near the corner of East Warren and Three Mile Drive.



**Illegal Dumping on Three Mile Drive near East Warren. Image courtesy of Susan Newell**

On October 3, workers clearing out the closed party store at 16301 E. Warren were observed dumping insulation, shelving and other building materials in front of the first lot on Three Mile. They even blocked the fire hydrant! On October 4, I uploaded the address (5027 Three Mile Dr.), along with a photo of dumping in progress, to SeeClickFix. One week later, on October 11 our D4 Deputy District Manager submitted the same complaint. As of November 6, two additional citizens have also noted the same issue on SeeClickFix. Thirty-three days (and counting), four notifications, zero results.

Similarly, the partially demolished dangerous building at 16134 E. Warren at Bedford has been reported by residents since at least May. This eyesore was even mentioned to the mayor himself when he visited our August MorningSide meeting.



**The partially demolished structure at 16134 E. Warren. Image courtesy of Jeffrey D. Lewis II**

In my view, these shortcomings don't mean we should give up on SeeClickFix. Rather we must continue to consistently call and email multiple contacts, starting with our District Managers Mr. Liggons and Mr. Perkins. The monthly Zoom calls hosted by the Department of Neighborhoods are another option, along with contacting the relevant departments such as DPW or BSEED. And I am hopeful that our incoming City Councilmember Latisha Johnson will prove more supportive than her predecessor.

Let each one of us ask ourselves the question: would these examples of visual blight be similarly ignored in Palmer Woods, or even in East English Village? MorningSide residents deserve no less attention.

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*Eric Dueweke, MCO President, a 31-year resident of MorningSide and a lifelong Eastsider*

## Continued... Expectations will be upheld for Our Elected Officials

As Mayor Mike Duggan enters uncharted territory only the late Mayor Coleman A. Young reached, he has to know there is much work to do and truthfully acknowledge that there are indeed "two Detroits."

Our Central Business District is beautiful, there's no denying that. On any given day, there are hundreds of people enjoying the atmosphere of the hustle and bustle of downtown. However, on the other side of that, there are far too many neighborhoods throughout the city that are suffering daily as they battle crime, abandonment, and a lack of adequate services.

The question now becomes how do we navigate away from the tale of two Detroits? That's a question that Mayor Duggan has often avoided during his tenure and as he enters a third term as mayor, I don't believe he will be able to just skip over that notion anymore.

Mayor Duggan really has to make it his mission to assure all Detroiters, legacy residents and newcomers, that they will have the same opportunities. Residents who live in MorningSide or Ravendale should feel that their quality of life is valued just the same as someone who is living in Corktown or Midtown.

For our City Clerk Janice Winfrey, there is a ton of work that needs to be done. For whatever reason, voting numbers in Detroit are a complete disgrace, let's just call it for what it is. On election day when I cast my ballot (which was after 3 p.m.), I was number 73. That's pitiful, there's no other way to explain it.

The clerk's office has to get aggressive, and better yet progressive in encouraging Detroiters to vote. Even though many vote by absentee ballot, I believe putting a spin on the format such as introducing a "roadshow" would increase the numbers tremendously. This would be more than just a trailer setting up shop at a designated location and telling people to come out and vote, the format would more so bring the trailer into the streets of an actual neighborhood and members of a street team would essentially go door to door bringing everything a prospective voter would need to cast their vote.

For city council, I'm excited to see the new energy our new council members will bring to the table. I'm looking forward to the fresh initiatives they all will bring to their respective districts.

If I could leave them with one piece of advice as they embark on their new endeavors, please do not forget the journey it took for you to reach this new height.

One of the things that has always disappointed me over the years is the fact that many elected officials feel they are now above everything and everyone once they reach that pinnacle.

As former candidates, you should always try to keep in the back of your mind the days of meeting residents at their homes on the campaign trail, the conversations that were had, and the promises if elected to office that you would bring in order to impact change into the community.

For all of our elected officials in the city of Detroit, whether you have been re-elected, or you're just stepping into the fold for the first time, I would like to leave you with this reminder, you have an obligation to **ALWAYS** do right by the people. As cliché as it sounds, it's a practice that has often fallen to the wayside time and time again as we have seen those we have placed our faith in involved in corruption or indicted on charges of wrongdoing.

As the public, we're tired of seeing those negative headlines and as we have all seen, there's no guarantees to a elected seat.

The opportunity is always there to learn from your predecessors as it can either produce a prosperous future, or one that will face much uncertainty and potentially land you in a place none of us wants to be in.

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*Jeffrey D. Lewis II, Editor in Chief of The Morningsider, 2nd VP of MCO, Urban Planner, Owner of Morningside Cafe.*

## Uniting and Strengthening Communities in District 4

**Latisha Johnson** | Contributing Writer

First, I'd like to say thank you for the vote of confidence. As we prepare to move our communities forward, my first 90 days will focus on setting the groundwork to bring neighbors together to address Districtwide concerns that we can all work toward overcoming. We have an aggressive plan that will begin with meeting with all community organizations, partnering with the Community Advisory Council and preparing to host an introductory "Meet your Representatives" convening.

Additionally, we are looking to support community organizations by preparing them to receive resources to support their mission. As such, we are planning to host working sessions to create block clubs, nonprofit formation and grant writing. I will work on implementing a special Beautification initiative that seeks to instill a sense of pride within our District by supporting an anti-litter/dumping initiative along with supporting enforcement, infrastructure and policy changes to address vacant - residential and commercial - properties.

At the same time, in addition to getting to know my fellow Council members and setting up the office, I will work with Council to develop a legislative agenda that supports various citywide initiatives such as housing, infrastructure and small businesses.

(On another note, MECCA Development Corporation's Board of Directors has begun the process of hiring their first staff member to grow their work. They're also seeking a new Board Chair.)

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*Latisha Johnson, District 4 Councilwoman-Elect,  
Founder & Chair of MECCA Development Corporation*



**District 4 Councilwoman-Elect, Latisha Johnson. Image courtesy of Latisha Johnson**

## Act by December 13 to Get HOPE!

### The Morningsider

Anyone struggling to pay their property taxes needs to know that help is available in MorningSide. Depending on your household income and personal circumstances, you may be eligible for the HOPE program, but you need to apply soon. The deadline to apply for property tax relief this year is **Monday, December 13**.

HOPE (formerly called HPTAP) stands for Homeowners Property Exemption. "The HOPE program can protect so many families from foreclosure and change thousands of households financially," says Jawana Jackson, Program Manager at U-SNAP-BAC, one of the organizations providing property tax help in MorningSide. "Many families have to make the difficult decision of paying their utilities or paying their property taxes. No one should have to make that choice and with HOPE many families won't have to."

To be eligible for the HOPE program, you must own and occupy your home as your primary residence. Most homeowners whose income is below the following guidelines are generally approved. If your income is higher than the guidelines, but you have special circumstances such as high medical bills, you may still qualify for HOPE. If approved, you will be responsible for any fees such as the solid waste fee, which is discounted to \$120 for HOPE approved homeowners.

### 2021 HOMEOWNERS PROPERTY EXEMPTION (HOPE) Formerly Homeowners Property Tax Assistance Program (HPTAP) INCOME GUIDELINES

Number in Household	Maximum Income for Full (100%) Exemption	Maximum Income for Partial (50%) Exemption	Maximum Income for Partial (25%) Exemption
1	\$17,609.00	\$20,288.00	\$22,840.00
2	\$21,205.00	\$23,791.00	\$26,205.00
3	\$23,458.00	\$26,064.00	\$28,453.00
4	\$27,248.00	\$29,868.00	\$32,488.00
5	\$30,680.00	\$33,441.00	\$35,896.00
6	\$35,160.00	\$37,973.00	\$40,434.00
7	\$39,640.00	\$42,415.00	\$44,793.00
8	\$44,120.00	\$46,767.00	\$49,414.00

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## A Sneak Peak at Courville Plaza

### The Morningsider

The vacant lot at East Warren and Courville, long a source of blight on MorningSide's main business corridor, won't be a magnet for trash forever. The East Warren/Cadieux Plan is scheduled to break ground in the spring/summer of next year, and it's going to transform that lot, and the angle parking spaces next to it, into a dual-purpose community space.

Most days it will be a parking lot for easier access to businesses on East Warren, but community members will also be able to rent the plazas for special events throughout the year.

Here are a couple of artist's renderings to give you an idea of what Courville Plaza might look like when completed.



Rendering of Courville Plaza. Image courtesy of OHM Advisors



Rendering of Courville Plaza. Image courtesy of OHM Advisors



Rendering of Courville Plaza. Image courtesy of OHM Advisors

The Planning Department and East Warren Development Corporation are interested in your feedback on the plans so far. What type of events would you like to see held here? Just scan the QR code to let them know your thoughts.

**SCAN  
ME**



If you haven't used QR codes before, it's easy. Just hold your cell phone camera over the image to download access to more information and give your feedback.

You can also contact any of the following people working on this project: Allen Penniman ([pennimana@detroitmi.gov](mailto:pennimana@detroitmi.gov)), Erika Linenfelser ([linenfelserE@detroitmi.gov](mailto:linenfelserE@detroitmi.gov)), or Joe Rashid ([joe@ewarren.org](mailto:joe@ewarren.org)).

## Help, Not Jail, for the Mentally Ill - Updates from State Senator Stephanie Chang

**Stephanie Chang** | Contributing Writer

Just a few weeks ago, the Michigan Senate voted unanimously in support of my bill [SB 637](#) and Senator Rick Outman's bill [SB 638](#), to create a community crisis response fund and behavioral health jail diversion fund.

These bipartisan, forward-thinking bills will change the way we respond to behavioral health emergencies in Michigan. Let's make sure people facing mental health crises get the help they need and are directed to services, rather than unnecessarily spending time in jail. We know we can build on existing models in Michigan and around the country. We will improve public safety by helping people in crisis more effectively and help save lives.



**A Homeless person. Image courtesy of Research Outreach**

I am very grateful to have worked with Sen. Outman and so many incredible advocates, including NASW-Michigan, Dean of WSU's School of Social Work, Sheryl Kubiak, and her dedicated team, Community Mental Health Association of Michigan, the Jail & Pretrial Incarceration Task Force, Americans for Prosperity, and Fountain House.

You can watch a video of my speech in the Senate upon passage of these bills [here](#).

### *"Tampon tax" bills*

I was also happy to vote yes on Senate Bill 153 and House Bill 5267 to end the sales and use tax on menstrual products. We know that many women and girls spend large sums of money on menstrual products, and they should be treated as medical necessities -- tax free. These bills will be headed to Governor Whitmer's desk for a signature soon. I am grateful to all the legislators who worked on this issue for years!

### *Community updates*

On Friday, November 19th at 10:30 AM, join me for a Virtual Coffee Hour to further discuss legislative updates, upcoming community programs and events, and more. Participants can join the live discussion on [Facebook.com/StephanieChangMI](https://www.facebook.com/StephanieChangMI).

On Thursday, December 2nd at 6:30 PM, I will be hosting a virtual Economic Justice Town Hall streamed on Facebook Live.

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*State Senator Stephanie Chang has represented the 1st District in the Michigan Senate since January, 2019. She served in the Michigan House of Representatives from 2015-2019.*



## A Humane Way to Curb MorningSide's Feral Cat Population

**Adrian L. Green** | The Morningsider

The new MorningSide TNR Committee (Trap Neuter Return) will be catching stray cats in our neighborhood and seeking volunteers willing to be trained to help. Like many communities, there are too many cats, especially cats that live outside and are considered community cats or "feral." Feral kitties have had no human contact, don't wish to have any, and have always lived outside. When the kittens are caught early enough, they can be socialized in foster homes and adopted out. But these once feral kittens take homes away from all the other social cats and kittens already in shelters that need homes too.

Ferals are considered unadoptable and if taken to a shelter, they are euthanized. There are approximately 60 million ferals in the United States. TNR seeks to reduce the number of community cats while increasing their quality of life. After a community cat has been spayed or neutered and vaccinated, it is returned to the original colony where it can live out a full, healthy, non-reproductive life. TNR is endorsed by the American Veterinary Medical Association. TNR is the least costly as well as the most efficient and humane way of stabilizing and ultimately reducing the feral cat population.

Certainly, people could instead choose to kill the cats, but it is far more expensive and does not work. Cats are territorial animals; when they are removed from the colony, new ones move in and breed to capacity. So, simply put, if you remove the cats, more will move in.

TNR stops the cycle of reproduction. The San Diego Department of Animal Control showed a decrease of almost 50% in the number of cats intake after starting a TNR program. Spay/neuter reduces undesirable behaviors, such as yowling, fighting and spraying, which also reduces the number of complaint calls made to animal control and the number of healthy feral cats euthanized.

MorningSide's TNR Program will be operated in collaboration with All About Animals Rescue, a 501(c)(3) nonprofit, founded in 2005, dedicated to ending pet homelessness, suffering and unnecessary euthanasia. All About Animals Rescue will provide the necessary training to volunteers and will receive the cats and kittens that are caught. If you know of a stray cat you're concerned about or want to volunteer, please contact Charon Nogues at [charon.nogues.rad.estate@gmail.com](mailto:charon.nogues.rad.estate@gmail.com) or Andrew (AJ) White at [andrewwhite007@yahoo.com](mailto:andrewwhite007@yahoo.com).



Neighborhood Feral cats. Image courtesy of The Humane Society of The United States

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*Adrian Green is MCO Treasurer, a community activist and proud graduate of HBCU Florida A&M University.*

## And The Winning Number Is...

**Sharon Gray** | Contributing Writer

I'm excited about taking on the role of Secretary of MorningSide Community Organization and being a part of moving our community forward. We have a strong and upcoming neighborhood, and our monthly meetings provide a way to share ideas, learn about different resources, get to know one another, and have fun together.

In our last two meetings and for the upcoming meetings until the end of the year, we will be raffling off gift cards. We're hoping that those who already attend will invite their neighbors and help us increase the participation at our meetings.

At the October meeting, we gave two gift cards to first-timers and a beautiful plant to a member who always attends our meetings. Local businesses are donating the gift cards, and it has added a fun flair to our meetings.

Please spread the word and invite your neighbors to the **November 9th** and the **December 14th** meetings at Bethany Lutheran Church on E. Outer Drive, across from Ronald Brown Academy.

Hope to see you there!

## Let's Talk Trash

**The Morningsider**

Here are your next three dates for bulk trash, recycling, and yard waste. Don't forget that yard waste pickups will end in December. Stay tuned for details!

Thursday, November 11

Friday, November 26 (delayed one day due to Thanksgiving)

Thursday, December 9



Gift cards. Image courtesy of Shutterstock



Trash left along the berm. Image courtesy of Nicolas Hall

## Continued... Act by December 13 to Get HOPE!

### The Morningsider

It's important to get your required documentation in order as soon as possible. You'll need:

- A completed Michigan Department of Treasury Form 5737 (Application for MCL 211.7u Poverty Exemption),
- Registered proof of ownership (Deed, land contract, probate court order, divorce judgment etc.),
- Any form of government ID with address and picture of the homeowner and all residents over the age of 18,
- Proof of income for ALL members of the household (this includes any minor children). Examples: W2's, paystubs, SSI/SSD, pension FIA/DHS, child support, self-employment, signed and notarized letter from who is helping you financially, etc.
  - If your income is higher than the guidelines, you can list appropriate debts and expenses with supporting documentation, which may be used to offset your income.
  - If your income or assets are higher than the guidelines, please explain your special circumstances and why your application should be approved.
- 2020 Federal and State tax returns for all adults, if filed (if are not required to file a tax return, the adult must complete a Michigan Treasury Form 4988 Poverty Exemption Affidavit and IRS 4506-T and can provide W2's, social security statements, or any other document that proves the past year's income),
- Proof of residency for all minors in the household (such as FIA Statement, Report Card, Transcript, minor listed on tax return, etc.)

The paperwork required can be intimidating, but the good news is that you don't have to manage it alone. Help is available at two locations in MorningSide. One is U-SNAP-BAC, at 14901 E. Warren (at the corner of Alter Rd.). They are available Monday through Thursday, 9:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Call 313-640-1100 to make an appointment. Or call Jackie Grant, 313-720-3904, President of Friends of the Alger Theater, to make an appointment for help filling out your application for the HOPE program.

## Gleaners / MorningSide Food Distribution

### The Morningsider

The Gleaners/ MorningSide food distributions are held in the parking lot of the **Greater Pentecostal Temple Church** at the corner of East Warren and Haverhill at 11:00 a.m. on the second Monday of every month.

The next food distribution will be held on **Monday, December 13th**. For anyone interested in donating or volunteering, please contact Twiana Odom at (313) 808-3493. Text message is preferred.

Distributions are no longer held on the fourth Monday of every month.



A variety of food perishables. Image courtesy of Gleaners / MorningSide Food Distribution

## Making Memories for MorningSide Kids

The Morningsider

October was the perfect time for some kid-focused events in our community. October Fest, hosted on October 23 by Motor City Grounds Crew at their headquarters on Barham, featured a maze created from native plants, farm animals, pumpkin painting, and cider and donuts.



Pumpkin painting was one of many activities the available for the children during the October Fest. Image courtesy of Jim West

Alger in the Alley, sponsored by Friends of the Alger Theater, Brilliant Detroit, and the Jefferson Branch of the Detroit Public Library, celebrated Halloween in the alley between the library and the Alger with a DJ, Halloween crafts supervised by cat ladies and dragons, story-time in the library's back yard, selfies, and popcorn fresh out of an old-fashioned popcorn machine.



Children dressed in their halloween costumes. Image courtesy of Jim West

## Another Award for MorningSide Community Organization

The Morningsider

For the second year in a row, we have received Eastside Community Network's award for "Best Eastside Community Organization." Board member Rakisha Odom and Board Secretary Sharon Gray are seen here accepting the award from Andrew Humphrey, Channel 4 meteorologist and host of ECN's annual gala event.



WDIV's Andrew Humphrey presents MCO Board members Rakisha Odom and Sharon Gray with the Eastside Community Networks's Best Eastside Community Organization award. Image courtesy of Rakisha Odom

# Give A Smile, Get A Smile

Elena Fracassa | The Morningsider

Our thanks to the leadership team at East English Village Preparatory Academy for turning a negative event into an opportunity for growth and improvement.

After a large fight broke out in the school last month, Principal Marty Bulger decided to close the building for the remainder of the week to give students and staff time to regroup. He brought on East English Village resident Toson Knight as Dean of Students and Adrian Green, Treasurer of the MorningSide Board, as Dean of School Climate & Culture. Together with the entire staff, they organized a welcome back rally for the students' first day back. Community members from MorningSide, EEV, and Cornerstone were encouraged to attend as a show of support for the students. The rally was a great success and brought positive media coverage to the school.

Principal Bulger then hosted a meeting a few days later for community residents to encourage a stronger connection with the school. They plan more events in the future to strengthen the relationship between the high school and the surrounding neighborhoods.

MorningSide salutes the administrators, teachers, counsellors, coaches, maintenance workers, and support staff who work to make each of our neighborhood schools successful. Whether or not we have school-aged children, we can play an important part in contributing to the success of the young people in our neighborhood. It truly does take a village to raise a child.

See WDIV's coverage of the EEVPA Welcome Back Rally here:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Nz9aSivYUHY>



Volunteers welcome students back to East English Village Preparatory Academy. Image courtesy of WDIV.



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Contact the organization closest to you for help on your HPTAP application.



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1	FRIENDS OF THE ALGER THEATER	(313) 720 - 3904	<a href="mailto:friends@algertheater.org">friends@algertheater.org</a>
2	EASTSIDE COMMUNITY NETWORK	(313) 364 - 9423	<a href="mailto:help@ecn-detroit.org">help@ecn-detroit.org</a>
3	JEFFERSON EAST, INC.	(313) 314 - 6414	<a href="mailto:neighborhoodsvcs@jeffersoneast.org">neighborhoodsvcs@jeffersoneast.org</a>
4	MACC DEVELOPMENT	(313) 731 - 2037	<a href="mailto:edythe@mackave.com">edythe@mackave.com</a>
5	U-SNAP-BAC	(313) 640 - 1100	<a href="mailto:jawanaj@usnapbac.org">jawanaj@usnapbac.org</a>
6	CENTRAL DETROIT CHRISTIAN	(313) 873 - 0064 ext. 22	<a href="mailto:tsmith@centraldetroitchristian.org">tsmith@centraldetroitchristian.org</a>
7	CODY ROUGE COMMUNITY ACTION ALLIANCE	(313) 397 - 9280	<a href="mailto:rbare@codyrouge.org">rbare@codyrouge.org</a>
8	GRANDMONT ROSEDALE DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION	(313) 387 - 4732 ext. 103	<a href="mailto:kyarbrough@grandmontrosedale.com">kyarbrough@grandmontrosedale.com</a>
9	BRIDGING COMMUNITIES	(313) 361 - 6377	<a href="mailto:g.white@bridgingcommunities.org">g.white@bridgingcommunities.org</a>
10	SOUTHWEST ECONOMIC SOLUTIONS	(313) 841 - 9641 ext. 374	<a href="mailto:kralston@swsol.org">kralston@swsol.org</a>

For additional assistance, please reach out to the following organizations:

HOUSING ASSISTANCE	UNITED COMMUNITY HOUSING COALITION	(313) 405 - 7726	<a href="http://uchcdetroit.org/resources">uchcdetroit.org/resources</a>
FUNDING ASSISTANCE	WAYNE METRO	(313) 388 - 9799	<a href="http://waynemetro.org/cares">waynemetro.org/cares</a>
INCOME TAX ASSISTANCE	ACCOUNTING AID SOCIETY	(313) 556 - 1920	<a href="http://accountingaidsociety.org">accountingaidsociety.org</a>



JOIN US FOR A FREE

## EASTSIDE COMMUNITY HEALTH FAIR



Saturday, Nov. 13, 2021 | 11 AM - 4 PM  
 Stoudamire Wellness Hub  
 4401 Conner St., Detroit, MI

Check out our community health fair to access:

- Health Insurance Enrollment Assistance
- Health Screenings & Wellness Assessments
- Flu & COVID-19 Vaccinations
- Health & Wellness Workshops

To learn more and register, visit [ecn-detroit.org/healthfair](http://ecn-detroit.org/healthfair)



FOR MORE INFO CONTACT MATTHEW "JAYE" GREEN AT [MGREEN@ECN-DETROIT.ORG](mailto:MGREEN@ECN-DETROIT.ORG) / 313.331.3273

## THE SATURDAY WRITING WORKSHOP

Wellness & Community Writing Sessions

The writing workshop is a weekly community writing session facilitated by ECN's staff member Matthew "Jaye" Green. These sessions will be held virtually via ECN's Zoom and Facebook accounts.

The writing workshop uses a combination of writing therapy and various creative writing elements to engage and motivate Detroit residents to increase their practice of language arts.

NOV  
6TH-20TH  
12-1PM

JOIN ZOOM MEETING

[HTTPS://US02WEB.ZOOM.US/J/81262116120](https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81262116120)

# Resources & Upcoming Events

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## PARTICIPATE IN THE UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN PROJECT SIMPLIFY STUDY

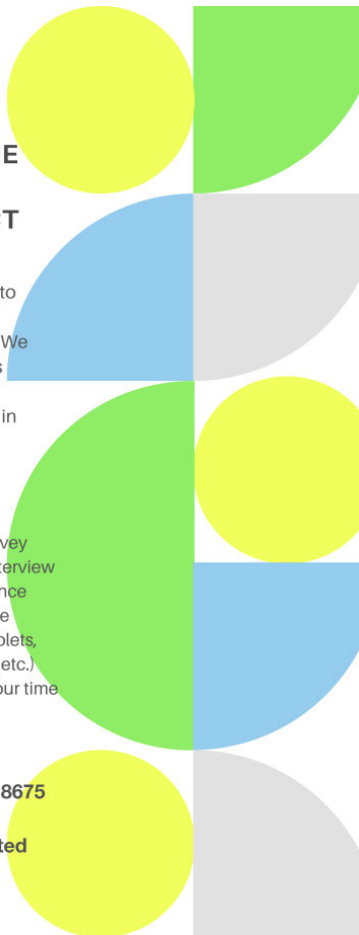
We are looking for participants to interview to discuss personal experiences using technology. We hope that this study will help us develop new approaches to supporting low-income people in accessing telehealth.

### WHAT TO EXPECT:

- 3-5 minute demographic survey
- 1 hour confidential online interview about your personal experience using technology (this can be anything experience with tablets, mobile phones, the Internet, etc.)
- Receive a \$30 gift card for your time

### Contact:

Alicia Williamson (313) 269 8675 for more information. Participants will be contacted by Marcy Antonio or Alicia Williamson.



## 2021 - 2022 LEAP Sustainability Fellowship



### APPLICATIONS NOW OPEN

This 10-month training & development programs will focus on sustainability and community leadership

### Fellows will:

- Work to organize & amplify the voices of community residents
- Promote & uplift change
- Use innovation & creativity to solve problems

### Applicant requirements:

Live in the LEAP Boundaries

### Zip Codes:

48213, 48214, 48215

48224 - Chandler Park only

48207 - McDougall Hunt only

Be active in your community/neighborhood

Be 18 years or older



Application Link: [bit.ly/2021fellow](https://bit.ly/2021fellow)

Applications due November 14 by 5pm

For further information, call (313)571-2800 or email Savana Brewer ~ [sbrewer@ecn-detroit.org](mailto:sbrewer@ecn-detroit.org) or Richard Ackerman ~ [rackerman@ecn-detroit.org](mailto:rackerman@ecn-detroit.org)



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# Resources & Upcoming Events

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**JOIN OUR TEAM!**

## 2021 Getting Detroit Back to Work

City of Detroit Diversity at Work Recruitment Event  
In Person with On-the-Spot Interviews

**Friday, November 12, 2021**  
10 a.m. - 2 p.m.

**OPPORTUNITIES**

- Law
- Accounting/Finance
- Information Technology
- Project/Program Management
- Housing/Community Development
- Public Safety
- Construction Management

**REGISTRATION REQUIRED**

To RSVP, go to <https://bit.ly/3C0nz2l>  
Deadline to register is Nov. 11.

For a complete listing of our openings, please scan QR code. Most of the open positions require a bachelor's degree.



For more information, please contact Michelle LaVita at [michelle.lavita@detroitmi.gov](mailto:michelle.lavita@detroitmi.gov)

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# COMMUNITY SHRED DAY



Bring **up to 5 boxes** of documents to securely shred on site. Please place all items in your trunk to maintain safe social distancing.

Join us for our final shred day of the year.  
For more info, call: **313-224-4841**

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Detroit Police 5th Precinct  
3500 Conner St. Detroit, MI 48215


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FROM HBO'S DEF COMEDY JAM & SHOWTIME'S MARTIN LAWRENCE, FIRST AMENDMENT  
**HOWIE BELL**



FROM KEVIN HART'S, HART IN THE CITY  
ALTON "BOOGIE" WILLIAMS

**THE STODAMIRE WELLNESS HUB**  
4401 CONNER  
NOVEMBER 12, 2021  
6PM - 8:30PM

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# MorningSide's Finest

Maurice "Moe" Mitchell

Committed and reliable are just a couple adjectives that perfectly describe the gentleman simply known as "Moe."

Although Maurice "Moe" Mitchell is not a stranger to most in MorningSide (Former MCO board member and Gleaners Volunteer) many may not know of the true impact he has made in this community.

Since its inception in 2019, Moe has been present for each and every Gleaners Food Distribution. From the blistering heat in the summer days, to the windy cold winter days, Moe has made the flow of each one nothing less than smooth and steady for those retrieving goods.

MCO's 1st VP, Twiana Odom has often stated, "the Gleaners Food Distribution would not be as successful as it has been if it wasn't for Moe."

Prior to the city increasing its efforts to board up vacant properties in MorningSide, Moe was often one of the faces you would see on site boarding up open structures throughout the neighborhood.

Outside of his commitment to MorningSide, Moe is a master carpenter and a proud father of three adult children and a even prouder grandfather. We appreciate Moe's contributions to MorningSide as he is the true definition of a community leader.



Maurice "Moe" Mitchell. Image courtesy of Twiana Odom

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