

CLEMENT KERN GARDENS RESIDENT NEWSLETTER

August 2023

And The
WINNER
IS...
CKG!



Bike, game, & gift card raffle provided by Development Centers

Join the Corktown Summer FUN!


1. Do you need help finding summer activities for your children?

 **Call YOUR Service Coordinator!**

2. Are you looking for activities for the family?

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3. Do you want to know what's NEW right here in YOUR Community?

 **Call YOUR Service Coordinator!**
*Look for us outside, because this summer we're bringing the fun to you!

August Activities - Mark Your Calendars

- 1) Veggie Express - August 7th (8/21 & 8/28) - 11:30am-12:30 pm @ CKG; Join us and buy fresh fruits and veggies.
- 2) Men of CKG - August 9th - 4-5pm @ CKG "Wise men don't do what's popular, they do what's right." STRENGTHEN YOUR COMMUNITY & join us for male bonding & activities.
- 3) Women Empowerment Series Part IX - Guest speaker Emeline King (FORD's 1st Black Female Transportation Designer) - August 10th - 4:30-6pm @ TCB (1842 Michigan Ave.) You are a PRIORITY.
- 4) CKG Seniors 55 & Up - August 16th - 1-2 pm @ CKG Let's go! Seniors come on out for some GAMES & THANGS, we are looking to have a good time!
- 5) Hiring Workshop - August 17th - 10am-2pm @ Ford Resource Engagement Center @ 2826 Bagley. **Come dressed interview ready with resume' on site. Interviews will take place for employment opportunities.**
- 6) Focus Hope Distribution for Seniors & Food - August 22nd
- 7) Youth Club - August 24th - 3:30-5pm @ CKG All ages are welcome!
- 8) Food Distribution - August 25th - 1-2pm @ CKG. Come out and receive nutritional food items.
- 9) Tenant Council Meeting - August 29th - 4:00-6:00 pm @ CKG - **THIS IS YOUR MEETING!** Come learn about what's going on in your community.



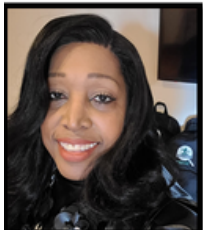


Ava Grace Alexander
 Carrington Bourne
 Charles Cotton
 Devon Thomas
 Heather Ortiz (Cerda)

Jihani Jackson
 Lateasha Wright
 Makayla Fletcher
 Reshanda Furniss
 Richard Lester

Samaya Meginnis
 Terrance Taylor
 Tori Watkins
 Yolanda Holmes

CKG Career Coach's "Team Huddle"



Kimberly Cooley

YOU MISSED IT! Thanks to some last minute Supportive Service funding, we were able to assist some of our employed or in training/school CKG Residents! The funds paid for tickets clearing driver licenses, provided work and interview clothing, laptops for education and training, and down payment assistance on a vehicle. We are looking forward to hear what the next budget will be to help even more employed or at risk drivers in the community!

IMPORTANT ANNOUNCEMENT!

I will be out on Medical for a few weeks. During that time you will not be alone! Your resources are -

- New Workforce Development Consultant, Tanisha Burton. She has Workforce Resources. Connect to learn what!
- Business Services Representative (BSR), Gloria Messenger - Job Placement through one-to-one consults, Job Fairs, etc.
- Community Life Representatives - Christina, Tracey, and Melinda who receive and share job lead information
- SER Metro-Detroit - The Detroit at Work! center offers job and training support. Gloria is CKG's personal BSR

NOTE - Third Thursdays is suspended until my return. When we start again, we have exciting career explorations!

How to find employment or training when help is not around!

1. Network - Neighbor, Family, Friend, Social Media leads
2. Referrals - If company offers bonus, find an employee
3. Job boards - Indeed, LinkedIn, USAJobs.gov, Glassdoor
4. Job Fairs - Listen to news, Search online near you
5. Volunteering - Team leaders note your excellent help
6. Temp Company - Short term jobs open doors
7. One Stops - Detroit at Work! Centers - WIOA Training
8. Free Online Certifications - LinkedIn Learning, Google Certs
9. Michigan Reconnect - Matches you to college and training
10. Future Proud Michigan Educator - Grant and Scholarships
11. Michigan Tuition Grant - Degree at Colleges & Nonprofits
12. Check where you work. Tuition assistance is often available.

July Resident Council Meeting Recap!



Your UCHC hosted the July Tenant Council meeting on July 25th with two guests, Newlab at Michigan Central Mobility and AmeriCorps Community Training (ACT) Program. The meeting started at 4pm with refreshments and pizza for residents.

Connie Loh from Newlab spoke about how the Veggie Express program creates sustainable solutions that provide fresh foods to communities. The Veggie Express is a food transport project that picks up and drops off produce from urban farms to processing and distribution centers. The Veggie Express serves as a grocery store on wheels. The Veggie Express will come to Clement Kern Gardens on August 7th at 11:30am -12:30pm, August 21st at 11:30am -12:30pm, and September 4th at 11:30am -12:30pm.

Next, the Americorps ACT Program presented an Overdose Rescue training. Residents learned about Narcan, CPR, and health safety. Residents who completed an intake received one free dose of Narcan and learned how to use it. Residents also received free fentanyl test strips. Residents who have questions can reach out to Jenna at jennaa.actwayne@gmail.com.

The last activity was a community discussion about crime and safety at Clement Kern Gardens. UCHC asked residents four questions about community safety that they answered anonymously. At the end of the meeting, residents discussed the responses. Residents voiced their comments and concerns about security, lighting, and gate access. Some residents proposed forming a neighborhood watch and an anonymous tip line. If you have any other suggestions or concerns, please reach out to the tenant organizers at UCHC.

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CONGRATULATIONS!

SUMMER EMPLOYMENT HIREES

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CASSIDY BUTLER

(DETROIT PUBLIC SAFETY ACADEMY)

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