

CLEMENT KERN GARDENS RESIDENT NEWSLETTER

August 2023







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?



2. Are you looking for activities for the family?



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



<u>August Activities - Mark Your Calendars</u>

- 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.















Need Early Learning Center for Your 0-5yr old?



Starfish services children in the Wayne County area. Some of the services offered are:

- FREE TUITION!
- Center and Home-based services
- Healthy breakfast, lunch & snack
- Health, dental, and developmental screenings
- Customize learning plans
- Parent social and emotional support
- Resources, Referrals + Plus MORE!

Healthy Life Style Classes

Bingo with HAP!

8/16/23 - Wednesday @ 12-1:30pm

Link: https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82306445065

Crim Chair Yoga

8/3/23 - Thursday @ 11-11:30am

Link: https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87170406166

Crim Mindfulness/Mat Yoga

8/17/23 - Thursday @ 11-11:45am

Link: https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81853996071

Corktown Health @ 1726 Howard St.

Wednesday Walkers n' Wheelers @ 12-1pm

(happens every Wednesday - rain or shine)

SAVE THE DATE



Share thoughts about your neighborhood... Get Paid!

If you received an invitation in the mail to participate in a survey from the Detroit Metro Area Communities Study at the University of Michigan, please consider completing it! You can do so online or by calling the number on the invitation to participate by phone. One member of each household is eligible to participate and will receive a \$25 check or gift card after completing the survey.

Thanks!

Sarah Winchell Lenhoff, Wayne State University

Healthy Food Resources

Food Distribution is held monthly, on the last Friday of the month in front of the Management Office from 1- 2pm. Please text the CL Service Coordinators to be added to the list for pick up @ 313.484.4702.

Next Distribution - August 25th

Diabetes PATH

Distance Learning

When: Tuesday's from 2:30pm- 4:30pm

Info session: August 8 at 2:30pm

Sessions 1-6: August 15, 22, 29, September 5, 12, 19

To register:

Visit www.nkfm.org/diabets- PATH or call 734-222-

9800

This workshop is offered at **NO COST** to participants. You can also contact Christina (TCB) @ 313-484-4709 for support to register.

Choice Neighborhoods Website

Have you seen our newly updated website? We redesigned it specifically for you! Find out more information on our People, Housing, Neighborhood & Resident Engagement strategies and even read these newsletters online! Head over to the website:

detroitmi.gov/choiceneighborhoods





















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 7. One Stops Detroit at Work! Centers WIOA Training

- 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
- 2. Referrals If company offers bonus, find an employee 8. Free Online Certifications LinkedIn Learning, Google Certs
- 3. Job boards Indeed, LinkedIn, USAJobs.gov, Glassdoor 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

ANIYAH GREEN

(YMCA)

CHRISTIAN PAYNES

ROBIN JOHNSON (DHDC)

CASSIDY BUTLER

(DETROIT PUBLIC SAFETY ACADEMY)

CHLOE JOHNSON

(UNI)

JUSTIN PICKENS

(HERITAGE WORKS)

JAME'RE DISMUKE

(YWA)

Summer is here and so are our youth in the Summer Work Programs with Heritage Works, Detroit Hispanic Development Corporation, Urban Neighborhood Initiatives, YMCA, and Henry Ford Health!