



“My mission is to enhance the quality of life in District 3.”



3rd District City Councilman
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Yours in service,

As we continue to work together—now in my fourth year as your Councilman—and move the City forward, it's important that I receive your feedback on how to improve services and better work on your behalf. Therefore, if you are unable to attend any of the events above, please do not hesitate to call us or stop by the district office. You can even contact us on Facebook or Twitter to ensure we hear your concerns and suggestions. Once again, thank you for allowing me to serve as your Detroit City Councilman.

These events are an important opportunity to meet our neighbors, build community and share feedback with me. It's also important to me that I keep you fully informed of the resources that are available to you and your family. This is why we have dedicated this issue to providing a comprehensive resource listing for various services around the city. You will find information on free eyeglasses for youth, solid waste fee reductions, tax deferrals, the new municipal ID program and how to get a recycle bin.

1. June 10th - Marshmallow Drop at Farwell Recreation Center
2. August 15th - Senior Matinee at Bel Air Luxury Theater
3. December 8th - Bingo with Benson

Spring is a time of awakening—things are growing, it's time for spring cleaning and getting out to attend events. It's no better time than to start marking your calendar for a number of 3rd District activities which are listed below:

My Dear Detroiters,

Letter from the Councilman



A Clear View: Vision to Learn to Provide Free Exams and Glasses to Detroit Students



As many as 5,000 Detroit school children will have a chance to see clearly and achieve success in the classroom, thanks to a partnership with the Detroit Health Department (DHD) and Vision To Learn, (VTL) a national non-profit devoted to providing free exams and eye glasses to children in low-income communities.

This summer, the VTL mobile vision clinic will travel to select high schools, including the Frederick Douglass Academy for Young Men, as well as providing services at Boys & Girls Clubs, PAL sites and some shelters.

Under the program, the Detroit Health Department and Vision To Learn partnered to make free eye exams available to over 5,000 children. Vision To Learn's mobile

vision clinic traveled to several 3rd District schools, including Farwell Academy, Mason Elementary and Davison Elementary, to give each child with vision issues a full eye exam by an optometrist. Any child that needs glasses can choose their very own style and frame, and the glasses will be dispensed to the child at school within two to three weeks, free of charge. The program will continue next school year.

“Children can't learn if they can't see properly,” says Councilman Benson. “This is an important program to ensure our youth have everything they need to succeed,” he adds.

This project is supported through grants, in part, from Ballmer Family Giving, The Eli and Edythe Broad Foundation, and the Detroit Pistons Foundation.

“Vision To Learn serves kids in 138 cities from Honolulu to Baltimore.” Austin Beutner, founder of Vision To Learn, said. “We're delighted to be working with the City of Detroit and Detroit Public Schools to provide kids in Detroit with the glasses they need to succeed in school and in life.”

The Detroit Health Department and Vision To Learn will work with the teachers, parents, and administrators at Detroit Public Schools Community District as well as partnering charter schools to facilitate the program.

For more information, please visit visiontolearn.org, e-mail mail@visiontolearn.org or call (800) 485-9196. You may also contact the Detroit Health Department's Vision program at 313-876-0134.

The 3rd District is Social!

Stay connected with your community. Follow us on Facebook and Twitter!

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Join my text service by texting "District3" to 555888
to receive up-to-date info on job opportunities, new resources, community services and events delivered directly to your cell phone.
Please sign up!

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Construction Begins on New \$95 Million New Flex-N-Gate Facility in the District

Councilman Scott Benson joined Mayor Mike Duggan, state and local officials and community leaders on April 25th to officially break ground on Flex-N-Gate's new \$95 million manufacturing facility on the city's east side. It will be the largest investment by an auto supplier in the City of Detroit in over 20 years.

The 350,000 square foot facility, which is expected to open about a year from now, will create at least 400 and up to 700 new jobs in Detroit over the next three years. At full capacity, up to 750 total jobs could be added, bringing needed economic opportunities to the district. The facility will become a new centerpiece to the city's growing I-94 industrial Park and is a sign of the

city and state's success in attracting more manufacturing jobs back to Detroit.

"This is an important step in the continued revitalization of the 3rd District," says Benson. "I'm particularly proud of the negotiations that took place between the community and FlexN-Gate prior to the groundbreaking. I worked with 3rd District residents as they negotiated to remove truck traffic from their neighborhood and were represented throughout the development process to express their needs and concerns. This is how we move Detroit forward," Benson adds.

Flex-N-Gate, a top global auto supplier, has committed to hiring 51%

of its construction workforce from within the city of Detroit and awarding at least 30% of construction work to Detroit-based companies. "Job growth in the district is my number one priority. My goal is to make sure more Detroiters can feed their families and reach their goals with solid employment opportunities and an improved quality of life here in the 3rd District," Benson says.

As the facility nears completion, Flex-N-Gate will hold job fairs to learn more about the jobs being offered and to apply. **Learn more at www.Flex-N-Gate.com/detroit. Text District3 to 555888 to quickly receive updates for this and other job opportunities.**

CITY OF DETROIT
PROPERTY TAX DIVISION
2 Woodward Avenue, Suite 136
Detroit, Michigan 48226
(313) 224-3560

Senior Solid Waste Applications & Summer Tax Deferments

General Application Period July 1st - September 15th

Note: applications available on May 1st at the property tax customer service counter at above address or by contacting the above telephone number.

Applications accepted at the property tax customer service counter May 1st thru September 15th. If mailed, must be postmarked by September 15th.

THE MUNICIPAL ID PROGRAM

D-ID
DETROIT ID

The Detroit ID is an identification card that benefits ALL Detroiters. Regardless of your immigration status, whether you are homeless, or a returning citizen, the Detroit ID is yours. Use it to access City services, interact with your police department and open a checking/savings account at One Detroit Credit Union.

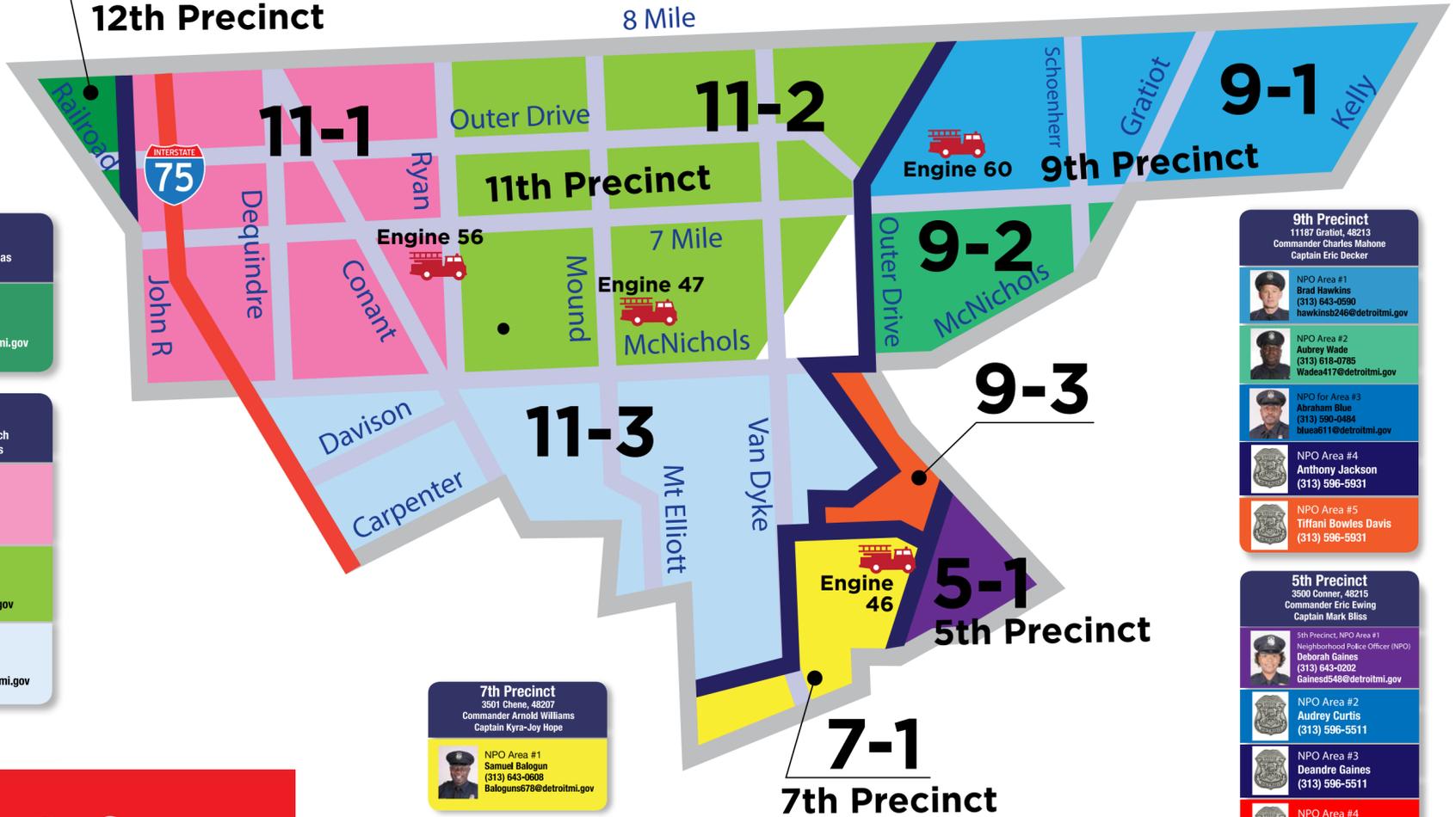
To make an appointment, visit our website www.detroitmi.gov/DetroitID or call 211

Eligibility: All Detroit residents 14 years and older are eligible to apply for the Detroit ID.

Cost: \$25 for 18 years and older \$10 for youth (14-17) and seniors (62+)

Additionally, the Detroit ID gets you access to discounts and benefits at over 100 businesses across the City including: the Charles H. Wright Museum, Detroit vs. Everybody and the YMCA.

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Public Safety Within the Third District

Fire Department Unit Locations

Engine 56 18601 Ryan Road, 48234	Engine 47 17475 Mt. Elliott, 48212	Engine 60 19701 Hoover, 48205	Engine 46 10101 Knodell, 48213
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Optional Curbside Recycling Program

The City of Detroit will now offer curbside recycling for all residents who request the service.

PAPER

- Newspaper • Magazines and Catalogs
- Junk Mail • Office Paper
- Telephone Books

BOXES

- Flattened Cardboard Boxes
- Cereal Boxes • Shoe Boxes
- Paper Towel Rolls • Tissue Boxes

PLASTICS #1-7

- Jugs, Tubs and Bottles
- Large Plastic Items

METALS

- Tin, Steel & Aluminum Food and Beverage Cans • Aluminum Foil
- Pie Plates • Pots and Pans

GLASS

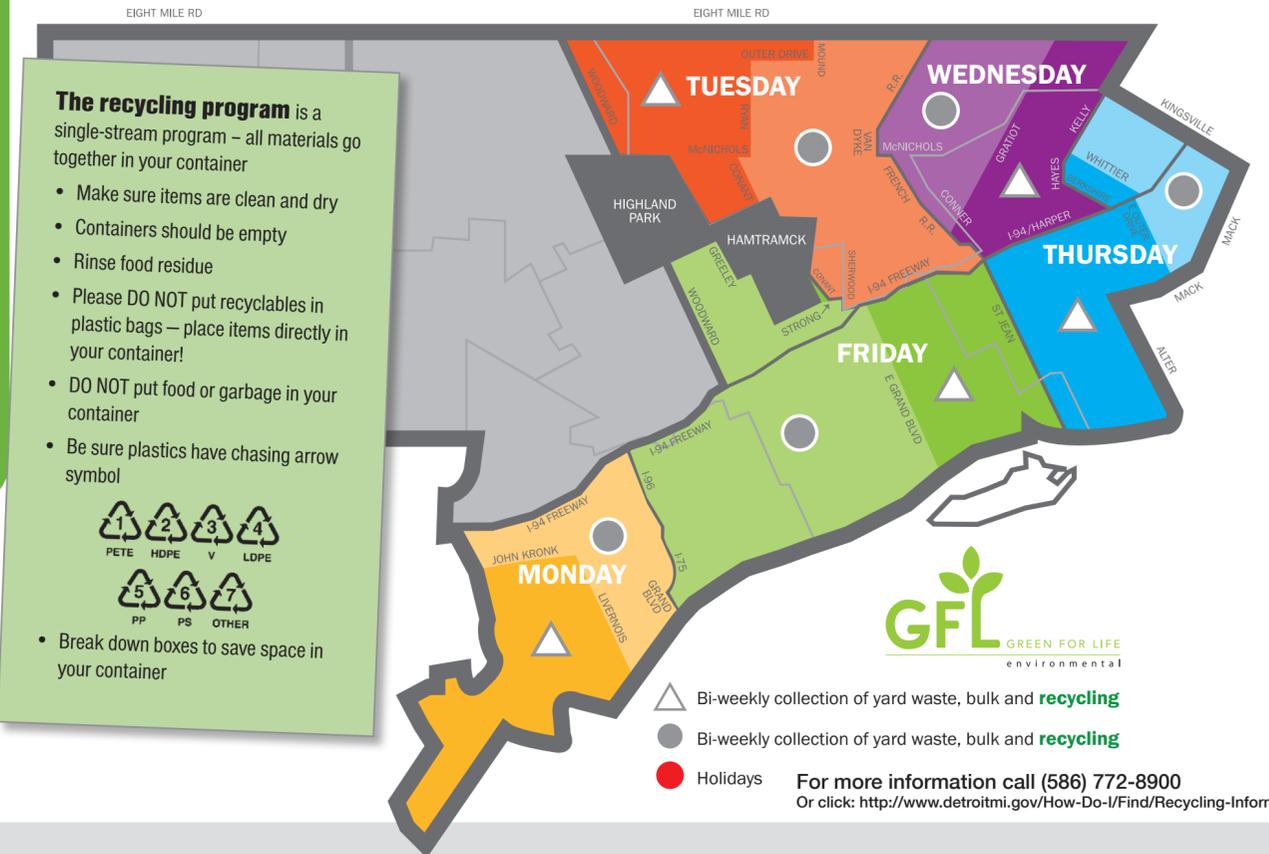
- Bottles and Jars
- Clear and colored glass

UNACCEPTABLE ITEMS

- Paper Milk and Juice Cartons
- Plastic Bags
- Styrofoam Containers and Packaging
- Juice Boxes
- Garbage
- Propane Tanks
- Paint Cans
- Medical Waste
- Flammable Liquids
- Household Cleaners
- Chemicals (Dry or Liquid)
- Wood Items
- Yard Waste: Wood or Trash
- Batteries and Light Bulbs



Collection Calendar for East Side & Southwest Detroit



The recycling program is a single-stream program – all materials go together in your container

- Make sure items are clean and dry
- Containers should be empty
- Rinse food residue
- Please **DO NOT** put recyclables in plastic bags – place items directly in your container!
- DO NOT** put food or garbage in your container
- Be sure plastics have chasing arrow symbol

- Break down boxes to save space in your container

△ Bi-weekly collection of yard waste, bulk and recycling
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 ● Holidays

For more information call (586) 772-8900
 Or click: <http://www.detroitmi.gov/How-Do-I-Find/Recycling-Information>

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Holiday Collection Schedule: If one of the following holidays occurs on a weekday and your collection day falls on or after that holiday, your collection will be delayed by one day.
 Thanksgiving, Christmas, New Year's Day, Martin Luther King Day, Memorial Day, 4th of July and Labor Day. (National Holidays only)