**JANUARY 2023** 

CITY OF DETROIT District 5 **MONTHLY NEWSLETTER** 

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## COUNCIL Wing PRESIDENT



666 "Never underestimate the power you have to take your life in a new direction."
—Germany Kent

## LET'S RECAP

#### **ONE-YEAR REVIEW**

It has been my joy to serve you all in my first year as the Detroit City Council President. Here are some of my 2022 Highlights:

- Passed the Right to Counsel Ordinance
- Created the City's first ever Reparations Taskforce
- Hosted the first City Council Legislative Retreat in 8 years
- Passed Historic Amendments to the Mayor's Proposed Budget
- Hosted weekly office hours and monthly evening meetings
- > Hosted giveaway drives, food distributions, and Presidential Pop-Ups
- Created the Gun Violence Taskforce and hosted Gun Violence Rallies
- Awarded the first round of Neighborhood Beautification Grants
- Hosted my 9th Annual Occupy the Corner Event Series

These are some things was able to do as Council President with the help of my colleagues, team, and the residents of this great city. I am committed and looking forward to another year of service and advocacy for Detroit and the people in it!



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#### ANNUAL TOY DRIVE

In December, I hosted a Toy Drive at Durfee Innovation Society in partnership with Icewear Vezzo, Leaf and Bud, and other donors. We were able to donate Christmas gifts to nearly 700 children!

In addition to the 700 gifts given, we donated more gifts to other local toy drives throughout the city.

This holiday toy drive was my final giveaway of 2022. Giving is one of the most fulfilling things we can do. Last year, I was able to host backpack and bike giveaways, food distributions, a coat giveaway, turkey drive, and toy drive! Thank you again to everyone who made these giveaways possible. There will be more to come in 2023!



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#### **COMMUNITY HOLIDAY PARTY**

I hosted my Annual Community Holiday Party in December! I invited the community to join me at the Piston's Performance Center for a night of community, food, dancing, and fun. We provided transportation for 14 seniors in select senior buildings in District 5!

As always, I made sure to support local businesses as much as possible for this event. We used local business including Midwest Grille for dinner, as well a local MC, DJ, Band, etc. I'm so thankful for the opportunity to host events free of cost to the community. There is so much more to come in 2023!



### Save the Date

#### SATURDAY, JANUARY 14, 202 ADAMS BUTZEL COMPLEX 10500 LYNDON 12PM-4PM

#### FREE FAMILY FUN FOR ALL AGES!!!

- Jack Adams Ice Arena: Live Performances, Figure Skating Demos, Hockey Demos, Open Skate

#### Wintercade:

General Services Department PARKS AND RECRETATION DUVISION

> Bumper Cars, Laser Tag, Battle Archery, Mechanical Snowboard, Guitar Hero, Carnival Games, Boxing Demos & much more!

Frozen Forest:
 Elsa, Anna, Olaf ,Face
 Painting, Slime Making,
 Painting and Build -A-Bear

 Kiddie Zone (ages 3 and under): Toddler Games, Toddler Crafts and much more!

- Mobile Bowling Alley
- Mobile Videogame Truck
- Ice Fishing
- Carriage Rides
- Food Trucks
- DJs
- Photobooth
- Raffles

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## WARMING CENTERS

#### CASS COMMUNITY SOCIAL SERVICES

Open to: Families & Single Women 11850 Woodrow Wilson St, Detroit 313-883-2277

#### JOHN D. DINGELL VA MEDICAL CENTER

Open to: Veterans 4646 John R St, Red Tower 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor Mondays, Tuesdays, Thursdays, Fridays - 8am-4:30pm Wednesdays - 11am-4:30pm

#### DETROIT RESCUE MISSION MINISTRIES

Open to: Single Men 3535 Third Ave, Detroit 313-883-2277

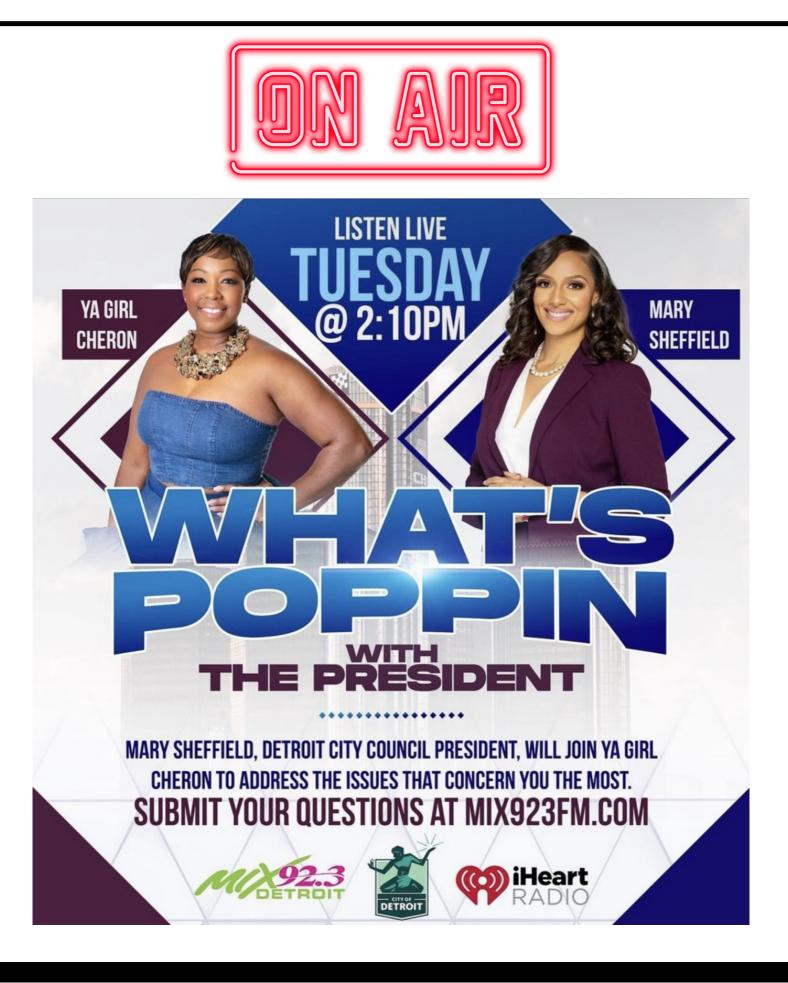
#### DETROIT RESCUE MISSION MINISTRIES

Open to: Families & Single Women 11037 Mack Ave, Detroit 313-331-8990



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## **Community Updates**



## News You Can Use

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Zoom and enter the following information:

Meeting ID: 979 8806 9636 Passcode: 594257

> Join by Phone 312-626-6799 301-715-8592

Join Council President Sheffield and staff via Zoom and Facebook Live for our weekly virtual office hours.

## District 5 Business Spotlight!

#### **Spot Lite Detroit**



This month, I am putting the spotlight on Spot Lite Detroit! Spot Lite is a Detroit café, bar, gallery, record store, and music venue. Their focus is to build community in Detroit's arts and music scene, and to foster a place where all Detroiter's can gather and enjoy all the cultural offerings here in the City.

Spot Lite often hosts concerts, open mics, brunches, and more. For more event information, visit spotlitedetroit.com.



SPOT LITE DETROIT IS LOCATED AT 2905 BEAUFAIT ST., DETROIT, MICHIGAN 48202



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"What the new year brings to you will depend a great deal on what you bring to the new year." — Vern McLellan

