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COUNCIL MEMBER'S CORNER

CELEBRATING EARTH DAY WITH GREEN TASK FORCE

At the 2023 Green Task Force Earth Day Awards Ceremony, Council Member Angela Calloway recognized the outstanding efforts of Karen and Frank Hammer, who have been dedicated climate activists for over forty years. Their tireless work has significantly impacted the local community and the environment. The ceremony was held on April 22, 2023, at the Union Carpenters & Millwrights Skilled Training Center in Detroit, highlighting the contributions of local organizations and residents who have made significant contributions to help Detroit become a greener, healthier city and who have made a difference in the fight against global climate change. This annual event reminds us of the need to promote sustainable practices and reduce our carbon footprint.



2023 Earth Day Awards Ceremony with Frank and Karen Hammer



COUNCIL MEMBER'S CORNER

GRIXDALE LISTENING SESSION

Council Member Angela Calloway's team met with several city officials on Thursday, April 20th, including the Director of Planning and Development, the Department of Neighborhoods Director, the Director of Construction & Demolition, the Chief Enforcement Officer of Property Maintenance from the Buildings and Safety Engineering and Environmental Department (BSEED), the Director of Planning & Analysis of Detroit Land Bank Authority, and Deputy Director of Complete Streets of the Department of Public Works and residents from the Grixdale neighborhood. This neighborhood, located east of Woodward between 7 Mile and McNichols, deserves better city services and will get them. At the urging of Council Member Calloway, city officials are now demolishing dangerous buildings; boarding up and securing salvageable buildings; preparing others for rehab; and selling vacant lots to adjoining property owners. General Services Department crews are cleaning alleys and repairing streets. The long overdue work is finally going forward with an intensity not experienced in decades. More importantly, Council Member Calloway and the city officials explained that planning for the neighborhood will be based on the comments and ideas of the residents. During the meeting, residents shared their concerns regarding prostitution, drug infestation, wildlife, and blight enforcement.



Mr. Grutchala discusses the legacy of his community



Council Member Calloway and Mr. Buffington discuss wildlife in Grixdale

COUNCIL MEMBER'S CORNER



RED WINGS TAKE OVER JACK ADAMS ARENA

Council Member Calloway and her team joined the Detroit Red Wings on April 11th at the Jack Adams Memorial Arena for their annual takeover. The event included free ice skating, street hockey, music, and pizza from Little Caesar's. The United by Hockey Mobile Museum was parked outside the arena and curated to celebrate hockey's trailblazers and changemakers. The museum was housed in an 840-square-foot truck and included artifacts from players, a hockey card collection, and videos highlighting the history of hockey. This event was an excellent opportunity to unite the community and celebrate the rich history of this beloved sport.



CAREER & EDUCATION EXPO AT JUDGE MATHIS COMMUNITY CENTER

On Saturday, April 15th, Judge Mathis hosted a free career and education expo at the Mathis Community Center. The event provided job seekers and education enthusiasts a platform to meet with potential employers and colleges. The event offered employment and education opportunities and provided support services for families, seniors, and those struggling with substance abuse and mental health issues. Having Council Member Calloway and her team present to provide information on city programs was also a valuable addition to the event. It's important for communities to come together and offer support and resources to help residents succeed and thrive.



COUNCIL MEMBER'S CORNER

COUNCIL MEMBER CALLOWAY'S CLOSING RESOLUTIONS FOR THIS YEAR'S FY24 BUDGET

DDOT Strategic Framework for Transit-Oriented Development:

- Transit Oriented Development (TOD) is an urban planning concept that encourages cities to develop housing adjacent to reliable and accessible transportation. The Federal Transit Administration described TOD as “Dense, walkable, mixed-use development near transit that attracts people and adds to vibrant, connected communities.” The Federal Transit Administration believes that a successful TOD leverages public investment in transit to promote these areas: Neighborhood Revitalization; Affordable Housing; Public and Private Investment; Increased Ridership for Transit systems; Congestion relief, improved air quality; and Improved Safety for pedestrians. As of 2023, the Federal government has expended over \$100M in funding to local governments for Transit Oriented Development projects. The City of Detroit and the Department of Transportation do not currently have a TOD Strategic Plan/Framework. We urge DDOT and all necessary parties to complete and execute a Transit Oriented Development Framework.

Adaptive Reuse of vacant office space into housing units (HRD):

- To curb the loss of affordable housing, Council Member Calloway urged HRD to work with potential public and private partners to appropriate funding to adapt current vacant office spaces into affordable housing units. Currently, cities nationwide are directing resources to survey, identify, and adapt vacant spaces for residential use.

Funding for Sports Equity Programming (GSD):

- On average, Black and Brown students have access to far fewer teams and sports, and the city spends much less per Black and Latino student than for students of other races. We are urging GSD to begin a sports equity campaign and programming that seeks to right this injustice in partnership with the students, educators, activists, and other advocates.

Funding for Adaptive Reuse of office space into residential (DEGC):

- In 2020, the Calgary Economic Development Corporation rolled out their office to a residential dashboard that tracked progress on adaption efforts across North America. The Downtown Development Authority has determined priorities for the transformation of our city center, including incentivizing real estate development, supporting vibrant initiatives, developing downtown diversity, and improving downtown safety, security, and quality of life. We are urging the DEGC-DDA to allocate a percentage of funding toward the implementation of an Adaptive Reuse Program to meet the priorities for downtown development.

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Establishing the Environmental Enforcement Officers (Citizens Blight Patrol):

- Council Member Calloway earmarked \$200k within the existing GSD FY24 Budget to establish the Environment Enforcement Officer Program. Environmental Enforcement Officers (EEOs) would monitor communities to prevent and deter illegal dumping. Through educational outreach and enforcement actions, EEOs educate Detroiters on the consequences of illegal dumping and hold unlawful dumpers accountable. They will monitor illegal dumping “hot spots,” conduct forensic investigations, cite dumpers, coordinate abandoned waste removal, and collect data to inform and improve enforcement efforts. EEOs would integrate and expand existing Citizen Blight Patrol units.

Palmer Park Lighting Improvements (GSD):

- GSD has identified and will earmark \$20k within their existing FY24 budget for Lighting Improvements at Tennis courts and athletic areas.
- Street Funding and Redesign for Permanent Traffic Calming Islands (DPW). DPW has identified and will earmark \$200k within their existing FY24 budget for Street funding and redesign for permanent traffic calming infrastructure at the intersections of Seven Mile and Parkside, and Cambridge and Canterbury.

WATCH CITY COUNCIL LIVE & LEAVE A PUBLIC COMMENT:

City Council Sessions may be viewed in the following manner:

1. Watch live on **Channel 10** for local broadcasting.
2. Watch online by using <https://detroitmi.gov/government/city-council> and clicking on **Channel 10**
3. To attend by **phone only**, call one of these numbers: +1 929 436 2866, +1 312 626 6799, +1 669 900 6833, +1 253 215 8782, +1 301 715 8592, +1 346 248 7799, then enter the Meeting ID: 85846903626##
4. Use the following Meeting ID on the Zoom application: **858 4690 3626**
5. Attend online: <https://detroitmi.gov/Online-CC-Meeting>

How to leave a public comment:

To participate at the time of Public Comment, please raise your hand through the Zoom application.

1. Telephone participants: Raise your hand by pressing *9
2. Web participants: Raise your hand by clicking "raise hand" in the application or pressing the following:
 - a. Windows computer = [ALT] + [Y]
 - b. Apple computers = [OPTION] + [Y]
3. Public comments can also be submitted via email to CCPublicComment@detroitmi.gov

COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS



Monday, May 15, 2023, 5:30-6:30 PM

Click the link below to join:

<https://cityofdetroit.zoom.us/j/87483275107>

Or manually enter the Meeting ID:

874 8327 5107

UPCOMING COFFEE & CONVERSATIONS

If you are interested in contributing to your community and discussing ways to improve District 2 and the city of Detroit, Coffee & Conversation is the perfect opportunity for you. Here are reasons to attend the upcoming events on **Monday, May 8th, and June 12th, 2023, at 8 AM** at Live6 Homebase & Detroit is Different:

1. Engage with Council Member Calloway and her team in an informal setting.
2. Participate in discussions on topics that matter to you and your community.
3. Learn about the latest initiatives and programs to improve the quality of life in District 2 and the city of Detroit.
4. Share your ideas and insights on how to make your community a better place to live, work, and play.

DISTRICT 2 VIRTUAL MEETING

Our next District 2 virtual meeting is on Monday, May 15th, at 5:30 PM. Join us at 5:25 PM to view the pre-meeting presentation of District 2 announcements. More information about the meeting can be found on

detroitmi.gov/government/city-council/city-council-district-2

Zoom Meeting ID: 874 8327 5107

Just to let you know, we will not host the District 2 virtual meeting in June in honor of Juneteenth.

A graphic for the "Coffee & Conversation" events. It features a woman in a black leather jacket with her arms crossed, standing next to a cup of coffee. Coffee beans are scattered around the cup. The text reads: "Coffee & Conversation", "Monday, May 8th at 8 AM", "Live6 HomeBase", "7426 W McNichols Road Detroit, MI 48221", "Monday, June 12th at 8 AM", "Detroit is Different", "1634 Clements St. Detroit, MI 48238". There is a small logo in the top left corner that says "D2 TEAM WITH CALLOWAY".

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DISTRICT 2 WELCOMES WHAT'S THE DILL

On Thursday, April 13, Council Member Calloway's office presented a Spirit of Detroit Award to the owners of What's the Dill, during the ribbon-cutting ceremony for their newly renovated building. What's the Dill is a cutting-edge sandwich shop in District 2 on West 6 Mile Rd. and Livernois. In an effort to provide healthier food options for Detroiters, What's the Dill owners, Leona and Kenny Milton, offer sandwiches with pickles replacing the bread. This is a one-of-a-kind culinary experience. What's the Dill is a Motor City Match winner. They received a \$25,000 grant for building renovations, and during the ribbon-cutting event, invited guests were able to take a tour of their building. They were extremely excited and pleased to receive the Spirit of Detroit award for their outstanding work. Mayor Mike Duggan and Kevin Johnson, the Detroit Economic Growth Corporation (DEGC) CEO, were also present for the festivities.



WE WANT TO HEAR FROM YOU!

Are you having a community meeting? Would you like to hear updates from the Office of Council Member Calloway?

We want an invitation to your event! Contact our office at (313) 224-4535 or CouncilMemberCalloway@detroitmi.gov with your event details.

D2 Neighborhoods

Bagley	Oak Grove
Blackstone Park	Palmer Park
College Park	Palmer Woods
Detroit Golf	Pembroke
Dexter-Fenkell	Penrose Village
Fitzgerald	Pilgrim Village
Green Acres	Schaefer 7/8 Lodge
Greenfield	Schulze
Greenwich	Sherwood Forest
Grixdale Farms	State Fair
Harmony Village	Tri-Point
Hope Village	University District
Martin Park	Winship
Macdowell	Oakman Blvd Community

DEGC TEAM
DANIELA FOR DETROIT

COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS

A WALK IN THE PARK

WITH COUNCIL MEMBER CALLOWAY



THURSDAYS

AT 8 AM

MEET COUNCIL MEMBER CALLOWAY AND HER TEAM AT THE DISTRICT 2 PALMER PARK OFFICE AT 1121 MERRILL PLAISANCE

For more information:
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MENTAL HEALTH AWARENESS MONTH



MAY IS MENTAL HEALTH MONTH

TAKE SOME TIME TO LOOK AROUND, LOOK WITHIN

MHANATIONAL.ORG/MAY

A WALK IN THE PARK

Every Thursday at 8:00 AM, Council Member Calloway and residents walk through Palmer Park for recreation and conversation. Everyone is welcome to join and enjoy the fresh morning air, a brisk walk, and an update on the future of Palmer Park and the surrounding area. The group meets at the Palmer Park Community Center near the splash park. Wear comfortable walking shoes and be ready for adventure, including side trips to the Detroit Police Department Mounted Unit, a herd of six deer crossing the path, or disc golf demonstrations. Everything is possible while walking through Palmer Park with Council Member Calloway.

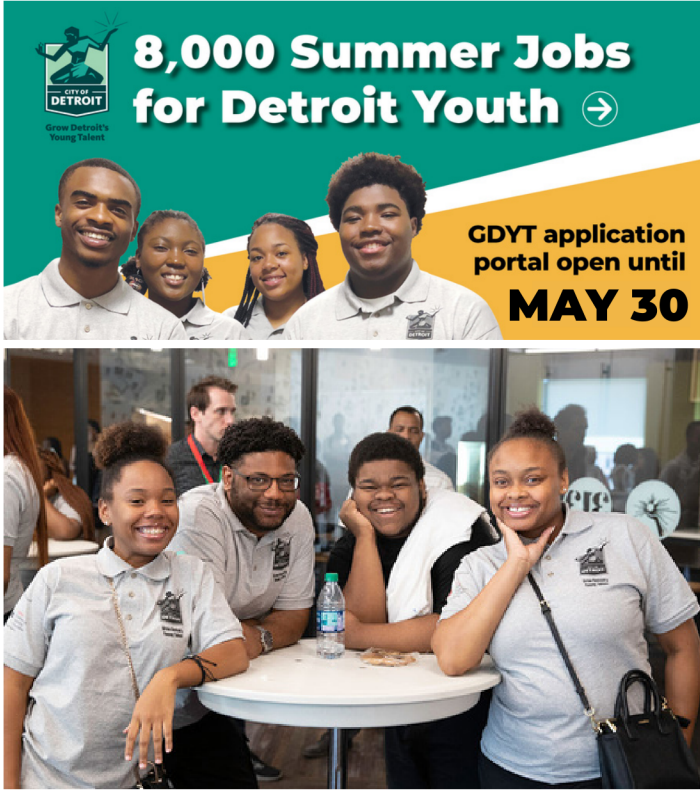
HAPPY NURSES MONTH



 **NURSES MONTH**
AMERICAN NURSES ASSOCIATION

 **MAY 2023**

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8,000 Summer Jobs for Detroit Youth →

GDYT application portal open until **MAY 30**

E-SCOOTER SAFETY LESSON AT ADAMS BUTZEL

The City of Detroit's Office of Mobility Innovation (OMI) is hosting an e-scooter (electric scooter) test drive and safety guidelines event at Adam Butzel Recreation Center (10500 Lyndon St, Detroit, MI 48238) on Saturday, May 6 at noon. Participants will be able to test drive e-scooters in a controlled environment and learn about e-scooter services available in Detroit. Safety equipment will be provided. To register for the event, visit <https://bit.ly/adambutzel>.

GROW DETROIT'S YOUNG TALENT APPLICATIONS NOW OPEN

Youth Summer Employment applications opened on February 7th at 9 AM. GDYT is an opportunity for Detroit's youth ages 14-24. To apply, visit gdyt.org. If you know of any youth who might be interested in seeing how their city government works and would enjoy working in Council Member Calloway's office, please have them reach out to our Chief of Staff via email at thomaesa.bailey@detroitmi.gov.

The deadline for application submission is May 30, 2023.



E-Scooter Test Drive and Safety Guidelines Event

AT ADAMS BUTZEL

<https://bit.ly/adambutzel>

Come out, test drive, and learn more about E-Scooter Services in Detroit!

Safety equipment will be available.

Adam Butzel Rec Center
10500 Lyndon St.
Detroit, MI 48238

SATURDAY May 6, 2023 12-3 PM

Office of Mobility Innovation

City of Detroit

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AFFORDABILITY CONNECTIVITY PROGRAM WITH HUMAN-I-T

The inability to use the Internet pushes many services out of reach - including telehealth, online banking, and remote education. The lack of digital access to those essential tools furthers inequities and injustices. Human-I-T provides affordable devices, internet access, and digital skills training for communities left on the wrong side of the digital divide—while at the same time empowering businesses and organizations to do good by diverting technology from landfills to protect the planet. Community members can qualify using income, SNAP, Medicaid, etc. Nonprofit and government agencies can also purchase via store.human-i-t.org



Human-I-T can help you apply for low-cost internet and devices through the federally-funded Affordable Connectivity Program

Households who sign up for ACP internet through Human-I-T can get a hotspot with free high-speed Wi-Fi, as well as a laptop, for under \$100.

Scan the QR code, call 888.391.7249, or visit our site at human-i-t.org/acp



How to Get Low-Cost Internet and a Laptop through the ACP

1 Check your eligibility

Your household may qualify for the ACP if your household income is at or below 200% of the Federal Poverty Guidelines or if at least one household member uses assistance programs including Lifeline, CalFresh, Medicaid, SSI, SSID, Section 8, Free or Reduced School Lunch, or others.

2 Complete the enrollment form

There are three ways to begin enrolling in the ACP. Call 888.391.7249, visit human-i-t.org/acp, or scan the QR code on this flyer.

3 You're done!

After you've filled out our form, a representative from Human-I-T will be in touch within one business day to discuss your enrollment options and how to receive your discounted laptop if you're eligible.

PALMER PARK ART FAIR

Mark your calendars for **June 3-4, 2023**, and join the thousands of visitors who flock to the Palmer Park Art Fair each year to enjoy all the event offers. Over eighty talented artists showcase their work in various mediums, including painting, sculpture, jewelry, and more. Delicious food options from local vendors energize you throughout the day—live music and entertainment keep you entertained and in good spirits. Poetry readings from local poets inspire and captivate your imagination. Don't miss this chance to enjoy Detroit's natural beauty and explore the picturesque Palmer Park.



District 2 NEWSLETTER

CITY OF DETROIT
General Services Department
PARKS AND RECREATION DIVISION

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REPORT BLIGHT
IN THE D**

**Tree Issues, Alley Clean Up and
Illegal Dumping Sites:
Report via detroitmi.gov/gsd**

**Park Issues:
Report via detroitmi.gov/recreation**

**All other blight concerns and
complaints: Text name,
phone number, email, photos &
location of the blight issue to
313-570-7585**

**motor city
makeover**

2023

TAKE PART!!
Register today to help keep Detroit beautiful!

Cleanup and beautification projects will take place three Saturdays in May.

MAY 6	Districts 1, 2 and 3
MAY 13	Districts 4 and 5
MAY 20	Districts 6 and 7

Upon registration, your District Managers will provide supply pick-up information.

Register for flowers today to enhance your project!

Groups **MUST** register with the City of Detroit to receive supplies, flowers and to schedule special pickups.

To register in advance, call (313) 224-4415 or go online to www.motorcitymakeover.org



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