

IN THE COMMUNITY

As a social worker and community organizer, I know the importance of connecting with our residents. Engaging with you guides me and the work of Team GSR. Thank you for joining us in the community!



At a recent coffee hour, I talked with seniors about their City infrastructure and housing affordability concerns. These conversations fuel my advocacy for improvements and greater investments.



I was so excited to attend the groundbreaking for La Joya Gardens (4000 W. Vernor Hwy.), which will feature affordable housing and commercial space!



I was honored to present Spirit of Detroit awards to 28 Cass Tech students for being the first class in Michigan -- and one of 60 in the country! -- to complete the College Board's new AP African American Studies course.

CITY PROGRAM UPDATES

The City has many programs and services available designed to address private and public quality of life concerns. Here are a few housing related initiatives you should be aware of.

Rental Complaint - Use this form to notify BSEED of your rental housing issues at bit.ly/rental-complaint

Homeowners Property Exemption (HOPE) - If you need help with your property taxes, you may be able to reduce or eliminate your current year's property tax obligation with HOPE. Learn more at detroitmi.gov/hope

Downpayment Assistance Program - Eligible Detroit residents can receive up to \$25,000 in downpayment assistance to purchase a home. Learn more at detroitdpa.org

6 for POLICY PRIORITIES

These are my policy priorities, and examples of what I am working for every day in order to ensure we all live in safe, vibrant, thriving communities.

1. **Transportation** - Improving service reliability through retention of drivers by offering living wages
2. **Environmental Justice** - Fugitive dust and truck route ordinances, as well as climate resiliency
3. **Public Safety** - Working for non-police response teams for non-violent mental health calls
4. **Housing** - Working for greater access to quality, deeply affordable housing
5. **Protecting & Expanding Rights** - Relaunching the Detroit ID program in 2024
6. **Equitable Economic Development** - Updating the City's Master Plan



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Dear District 6,

I hope you are staying warm in this colder weather.

In this newsletter you'll find helpful housing resources, insights to our outreach efforts and events in the district, and examples of what I'm working for every day as your City Council Member.

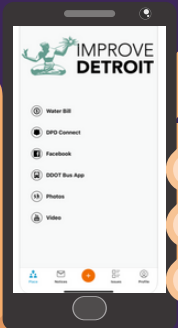
Please don't hesitate to reach out to our office if we can be of assistance -- we're here to serve you!

Wishing you a peaceful 2024,

IMPROVE DETROIT APP

Download the Improve Detroit app in the App Store or Google Play and report common quality-of-life problems directly to the City! Learn more at bit.ly/improve-det-101.

Descargue la aplicación de "Improve Detroit" en la App Store o en Google Play para reportar directamente a la Ciudad los incidentes o problemas comunides que afectan su calidad de vida en su vecindario. Obtenga más información en bit.ly/improve-det-101.



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