

CHOICE NEIGHBORHOODS

RESIDENT NEWSLETTER

April 2026

Mark Your Calendars

1) **First Fridays Conversation - April 3rd** - hosted by IMS @ CKG & Left Field from 9am - 12pm - *Have questions about housing...ask the experts.*

2) **Women Empowerment Series - April 8th** @ Left Field - 2310 Cochrane 4:30-6:00pm - *You Are Your Greatest Advocate*

3) **Gleaners Food Distribution - April 13th** @ CKG - 1661 Bagley in front of the Management office from 2-3pm. *Pick up nutritious food items while supplies last.*

4) **Seniors of CNI Meet Up - April 15th** @ Left Field - 2310 Cochrane from 1-2pm- *Celebrate Earth Day*

5) **Project Graduation - April 15th** @ Left Field - 2310 Cochrane from 4-5:30pm - *ALL YOUTH IN GRADES 7-12 ARE WELCOME TO PARTICIPATE.*

6) **Spring Financial Fling - April 24th** @ Left Field - 2310 Cochrane from 5-7pm - *Let's grow together! Join us to learn how planting the right financial seeds today can lead to success tomorrow.*

7) **Resident Council Meeting - April 28th** - *RESIDENTS...THIS IS YOUR MEETING! HAVE CONCERNS ABOUT RELOCATION OR TENANT RIGHTS, COME AND ASK YOUR QUESTIONS.*

8) **Focus Hope Distribution for Seniors - April 28th** @ CKG from 1-4pm

Hello
Spring!

Let the Community Life Team Serve YOU!

Community Life Service Coordinators

1. Can help you create a Resident Housing Plan (rent payment planning, interim request, & more).
2. Can help you develop a Unit Care Plan (tools to organize, de-clutter, when to request paint or carpet).
3. Can make referrals for resources (utility assistance, youth development programs, & more).





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CKG Management Office -The Connect-

Residents who are within 30-days of their recertification date, make sure to submit all documents or contact the office to verify your status.

You may visit during office hours or contact Amber at 313-965-5650.
Office hours: 8AM - 5PM - Tuesday & Thursday
Office is closed during lunch hour - 12-1pm



The Preserve On Ash Management Office - The Push -

Welcome home, we are so excited to have you as residents!
To make this the best experience, please remember the following:

- You have neighbors above, below, & on side of you, get to know them to build community in your building.
- Apartment living can be noisy, but you can help create the culture you want by keeping noise, bumping & jumping to a minimum, especially after 10pm.
- Let us know immediately if something isn't working properly, so we can work to resolve it.

NOW LEASING OUR MARKET RATE APARTMENT HOMES!
INQUIRE WITHIN FOR IMMEDIATE MOVE IN!

You may visit during office hours or contact
Adrian Welch at 313-635-4473.
Office hours: 9AM - 4PM - Monday - Friday
Office is closed during lunch hour - 12-1pm

YOU put the “U” in Community!



Left Field Management Office - The Leak -

The **Resident Council** is looking for YOU! Become a member of the resident council to plan activities, push accountability, & partner with your CNI teams for a strong community.
We need your help!

To keep the Community Room in the best condition, please do the following:

1. Clean up spills & throw away your trash.
2. Respect the operation hours: 8am-8pm (unless reserved & approved).
3. Let Amber know if there are any issues, malfunctions, or ill activity immediately.

You may visit during office hours or contact Amber at 313-650-6850.
Office hours: 8AM - 5PM - Monday, Wednesday and Friday
Office is closed during lunch hour - 12-1pm



Mark Your Calendars

- **CKG Happenings** - Food Distribution - 2nd Monday from 2-3pm (happening every month)
- **Left Field Happenings** - Seniors of CNI, WES, & Project Graduation (happening every month)
- **Preserve On Ash (POA)** - Community Life Service Coordinator (CLSC) Outreach

Working Together for All Children



[Month of the Young Child](#)
 Detroit declared **April 27th** as Day of the Young Child in 2016. Organization's across the city will celebrate the city's youngest residents with activities and events throughout the month.

Events in your area are being hosted at:
 Brilliant Detroit
 Congress of Communities
 Detroit Public Schools District
 Detroit Head Start Programs

IMPORTANT HEALTH DAYS IN APRIL

April highlights many important health topics.

Let's focus on the following:

- Alcohol Awareness - Understanding the effects of alcohol in families and the community
- Child Nutrition - Ensuring proper nutrition for all children
- Distracted Driving - Safer driving habits, everyone in the vehicle should be in a seat belt & children should be in car seats
- Black Maternal Health - Raising awareness about the need for safe, respectful, quality care...before, during and after childbirth.

PROJECT GRADUATION

GRADES 7-12



Come celebrate EARTH DAY!

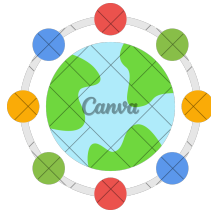


What is it? What should it mean to YOU?

In-person and Online Scavenger Hunt
 Prizes and Snacks



Let's GOOOOOOO!



Call Melinda Smith | 313-484-4702 OR Kimberly Cooley | 313-494-4709 to learn more!

Resident Resources

Are you going through more food than normal these days?



Food Distribution is held monthly, on the second Monday of the month, in front of the Management Office from 2-3pm. Please text the CL Service Coordinators to be added to the list for pick up @ 313.484.4702.

Next Distribution - April 13th

YOU ARE YOUR CHILD'S FIRST TEACHER

It's your voice, face, & loving touch that means the most to your children. You are their Superhero!

Play, Sing, Talk, Read, Encourage, Hug!

Doing these 6 things everyday will stimulate your child's brain & energize it for learning. No matter the age, children require support when learning & growing.



Visit the Choice Neighborhoods Website to 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



Join Your Property's Resident Council

If you are interested in participating and planning for a future tenant council meeting at your building, please reach out to **Pablo Marcos** at United Community Housing Coalition (UCHC) to learn more. You can call **(313) 572-1401**.

Being a part of a Resident Council helps to strengthen community, shape community culture, and offers opportunities for fun, networking, and volunteering.

Call TODAY to Learn More!


We Are Celebrating Financial Literacy . All April Long!

Contact your Financial Programs Coordinator for more info, workshops, prizes, & opportunities...

Tracey Rucker (313) 484-4861.

A Special Event by: **SER METRO-DETROIT** AND FOR FINANCIAL, INC. **THE COMMUNITY BUILDERS**

CHOICE NEIGHBORHOODS INITIATIVE (CNI) JOB CLUB



THURSDAY
April 2, 2026


START AT
2:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.

Don't miss this opportunity to work with our Career Coach Malikia McGee and Business Service Representative Gloria Messenger.

- They can help assist you with career coaching, resume review and feedback, job leads, and placement.
- Already employed but want a better job? Malikia and Gloria can help!
- Do you have barriers to employment, like the need for childcare? We can help with barrier removal as well.
- All CNI participants and family members 18 and older are welcome to come.

Location:
Left Field Apartments Lounge
2310 Cochrane St Detroit, MI 48216

Ford Philanthropy



CKG Career Coach's "Team Huddle"

Job Search in April can be rewarding and frustrating at the same time! See tips to get through and get hired!

Act Fast - Apply as soon as you see a job posting. It's the end of the first quarter and positions have been finalized.

Leverage Seasonal Opportunities - It can be easier to get hired for summer or temporary work that can lead to permanent employment. Do your best! Your hard work can get noticed and you just might get selected to stay!

Be Patient - While employers are hiring for specific jobs, they receive a high volume of applications. They are hiring, but it may take longer to get interviewed and onboarded.

Use your Resources! SER Metro is your employment Partner for job leads, job fairs, and support to get hired.

Career Coach - Malikia McGee - 313.962.9675 x 1699 or 313.945.5200 x 4341, Email - mmcgee@detroitatwork.com

Job Placement - Gloria Messenger - 313.377.1067
Email - gmessenger@detroitatwork.com

Coach's Playbook - "Jumpstarting your Life"

1. Inspect power & connections
2. Bring power source close
3. Get correct info/attachments
4. Let power flow; Restart
5. Carefully disconnect
6. Inspect after start-up

Check your power sources, get optimum connections!

THE COMMUNITY BUILDERS



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Happy Birthday

Jahylin Hodges
Romeo Johnson
Tristan Furniss Jr.
Chloe-Chanel Cobbs
Emmanuel Furniss

Emmanuel Furniss
Armani Loury
Kinnith Johnson
Justin Pickens
Christian Paynes

Thelma Tatum
Maria Ramirez
Tomeka Humphrey
Lashaunda Moore
Tiffany Butler



Carnay Johnson

Shareese Maclin



Demonica Jackson



CNI Community Resources



ALL 2026 WORKSHOP DATES:

- HOMEBUYER CLUB: 10:00AM-2:00PM**
1/21, 2/18, 3/18, 4/22, 5/20, 6/17, 7/22, 8/19, 9/16, 10/21, 11/18
- FOUNDATIONS OF WEALTH: 2:00PM-4:00PM**
1/20, 2/17, 3/17, 4/21, 5/19, 6/16, 7/21, 8/18, 9/15, 10/20, 11/17
- RENTING RIGHT: 10:00AM-12:00PM**
1/20, 2/17, 3/17, 4/21, 5/19, 6/16, 7/21, 8/18, 9/15, 10/20, 11/17
- MAINTAINING THE DREAM/KEEP MY HOME: 10:00AM-1:00PM**
1/22, 3/19, 5/21, 7/23, 9/17, 11/19



REGISTER AT [WAYNEMETRO.ORG/HOUSING/](https://waynemetro.org/housing/)
THANK YOU TO OUR PARTNERS!



Did you know that small changes in how we manage our money can make a big difference? Join Wayne Metro's Financial Literacy Workshops, where we'll talk about budgeting, saving, credit, and building wealth.

Call Tracey Rucker at 313-484-4816 to sign up.

Join SaverLife Get Rewarded for Saving



SaverLife is a non-profit dedicated to helping you save money, preparing you for whatever a rainy day may throw at you. Sign up for free to join in on monthly savings challenges, earn points to enter to win cash prizes, and explore saving and budgeting tips from expert coaches.

<https://saverlife.org>

We are offering **free tutoring** for students in our community to help them stay on track with reading and math. Tutoring can build confidence, improve grades, and make homework less stressful for kids. Spaces are available. Sign up TODAY!

No FEAR CARE

K-12
Math * Reading * ELA * SAT prep

TUTORING
Student Success Sessions
Join us for a transforming educational experience that will increase grades, inspire confidence, and uncover students' entire potential!

Dates - Starting - March 2, 2026 Days - To Be Announced Time - 4:00 PM - 6:00 PM	Left Field Apartments Lounge 2310 Cochrane St Detroit, MI 48216
Call/Text Kimberly Cooley 313.484.4709	Call/Text LaShand Kline 313.635.7951 x 7951

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