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Coming Soon: Episode 4-

Sheri Burton- Midwest Civic Council of Block Clubs

Our upcoming guest requires no introduction. If you have been making the rounds at the Midwest-Tireman block clubs, you will come across Ms. Sheri Burton.

Ms. Burton is a Lifelong Detroiter, a Proud United Auto Workers Union retiree, and Precinct Delegate. She is currently the president of the Midwest Civic Council of Block Clubs, Neighborhood Association, the recipient of grants from Michigan Environmental Council, Detroit Future City, and Rocket Community Investment Fund. She has a strong belief in faith, family, and community. She was also one of the nominees in Michigan Community Resources "The Power of One Dedicated Women 2018 and 2021."

With her experience in the auto industry and neighborhood block clubs, Ms. Burton was the perfect person to be asked questions about industrial development. One of her favorite statements as it relates to community activism is, "My name does not have to be on it because my heart is in it". Tune in for the next episode of The Framework Podcast if you want to know what it means to be a 'good neighbor'.

Upcoming Events:

Vacant Land Community Summit

Date: August 15, 2023

Time: 2:00 PM - 7:00 PM

Location: 6602 Walton Street, Detroit, MI 48210

Join the Joe Louis Greenway neighborhood Planning study for workshops, presentations, and resources about transforming the vacant lots alongside the Joe Louis Greenway and in your neighborhood!

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Coming Soon: Episode 5-

Ru Shann Chavous - Long - Greenway Heritage Conservancy

Ms. Ru Shann Chavous - Long, was born and raised in the City of Detroit and described herself a product of the Detroit Public School System. She has lived in her community for nearly 60 years. She graduated from Charles E. Chadsey High School and attended local community colleges, graduating Cum laude with a BS in Business Administration from William Tyndale College. Shortly thereafter, she became employed by General Motors Fisher Body division for a short period before being hired by the State of Michigan Department of Human Services. She was employed there for 36 years.

After she retired, she became active in her community after seeing the negative impact that blight was having on the quality of life for the residents in her the once vibrant neighborhood. She joined the Midwest Civic Council of Block Club Association in 2012 to help address the blight. Becoming involved and promoting community activism was a direct result of the increase in the number of block clubs and the formation of several non-profits that she is a member of. These include but are not limited to, the Greenway Heritage Conservancy, Greenway Grocery, Westside Coalition, Pinelawn L.L.C.

She was selected as one of the City of Detroit Community Advisor Members for the Joe Louis Greenway representing District 6. She is a Board Member of Cut the Crap, LLC and the Joe Louis Greenway Partnership.

'House of Hip-Hop' Grand Opening and Block Party

Date: August 11, 2023

Time: 4:00 PM - 8:00 PM

Location: 6114 28th Street, Detroit, MI 48210

Join Class Act Detroit's Block Party & 'House of Hip-Hop' Grand Opening to Celebrate 50 Years of Hip-Hop—live performances, free food, and fun for All Ages. Don't Miss Out - Bring the kids and groove with Class Act Detroit!

The Midwest-Tireman Framework will also be there to have two youth engagement activities to hear their thoughts on their neighborhood and community.



VIRTUAL OFFICE HOUR LINK:

<https://cityofdetroit.zoom.us/j/84609285862?pwd=eW-JsTmxkSDZWZVdkNHpHcFdndzFvdz09>

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