

A Message from Councilwoman Jasmin Santana

Dear Ward 14 residents,

It's 2023, and I'm into my second year of my second term as your councilwoman. It's been an eventful year, with the city, our residents and neighborhoods coming out of the pandemic.

The holiday season that just passed is always my favorite part of the year and I am proud of so many organizations for stepping up to provide happy holidays to so many residents. Their leadership is kind and thoughtful and meets residents with what they need. The combination of church leaders,

and residents who care create a beautiful tapestry for our community.

Over these last two years the Ward 14 Council office has watched as others have taken a leadership role on some of the community events that my Council Office used to handle, specifically: Christmas toy giveaways and voting awareness Caravana. While I've missed the joy that comes with toy giveaways, there have been amazing organizations step up to improve the holiday season for residents in-need. Scranton Road Ministries, Julia De Burgos, Second District Community Relations Committee, the Pivot Center for the Arts, the Salvation Army, and the Community Relations Board Hispanic Liaisons. I

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This New Year means new goals, and my office continues to advocate strenuously to make Clark-Fulton a place where residents can age in place. This community has seen huge gains in housing value but also huge growth in the cost of local rent. So I continue to urge residents to save up and buy a house. A monthly mortgage of \$1,000 buys a lot more house than a house or apartment that rents for \$1,000 a month. The Spanish American Committee, helps all local Cleveland's residents, Hispanic or not. Private management companies will continue to buy up available housing, so act fast, work on your credit

> score, and save money for those down payments because buying a house is the best way to stay in this community!

Clark-Fulton is growing in value and has seen many new investments and developments. While I will continue to work for improvements in all my

neighborhoods, I am focusing more attention this year on the Stockyards neighborhood. The Ward 14 Council Office is working to fund a new park in the area as well as target commercial storefronts for improvements. (I hope to enlist the other two council members who also represent portions of the Stockyards, to make a bigger impact.)

There are too many busted windows

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OFFICIAL MOVE-IN DATE: MARCH 1, 2023

The Pivot Center for Art, Dance and Expression 2937 W 25th St, 2nd Floor, Cleveland, OH 44113

Free Parking • Appointments Preferred Call 216-664-4238

Fecha oficial de mudanza: 1 de marzo de 2023 El centro de pivote de Arte, Danza y Expresión 2937 W 25th St, segundo piso, Cleveland, OH 44113 **Estacionamiento gratuito - Se prefieren las citas, llame al 216-664-4238**

Kias and Hyundais Stolen at Record Numbers

There has been a massive surge of thefts across the country that has also struck Cleveland and Cuyahoga County in recent months.

The number of insured Kias and Hvundais stolen in Cuvahoga County jumped more than 233% from October to December, when 656 were stolen in the county, according to the county prosecutor's office. Cleveland alone saw 459 thefts of the two makes in the final month of 2022. Experts blame the car manufacturers for not including anti-theft measures that a national, nonprofit car insurance research group says were standard in nearly all other models at the time. The thefts took off after a viral TikTok challenge showed an easy way to these steal cars. This primarily **applies to** Hyundais made between 2016-2021 and Kias made between 2011-2021, which do not have push-button



COUNCILWOMAN JASMIN SANTANA'S LEGISLATIVE HIGHLIGHTS

As chair of the Workforce, Education and Training & Youth Development Committee, some important legislation has come through and passed that I want to make

starts and use a traditional turn-key ignition. In most cases, the thieves do significant damage to the steering columns of the cars.

Hyundai has said in previous statements that key anti-theft measures have been standard in all of its models since 2022. Kia said it plans to roll out a software update to address the issues later this year. **Owners of these cars are being advised** to use devices such as "the Club" and other similar anti-theft devices.

residents aware of:

- Resident Jobs: Supporting an effort for city residents who want and are available for work to be matched with agencies, including Seeds of Literacy and Ohio Means Jobs Cleveland-Cuyahoga County, to help prepare and find appropriate work.
- **Family Supports at School:** Supported an effort to ensure that the family support specialists at Cleveland Metropolitan School District buildings through the Say Yes program is funded.
- **Comebacker Campaign:** Cleveland is now helping to Support the Ohio College Comeback that Cuyahoga County, the Ohio Department of Higher Education, and the Higher Education Compact of Cleveland are already working together to address the financial barriers that residents who have some college but have dropped out, to return to finish their degree. Comebackers typically face issues related to student-debt that have caused them to leave.
- Violence Prevention Plan (still being debated at Committee): adding additional funding to enhance a violence prevention plan that already has received \$2 million grant from the US Department of Justice.

Serving Ward 14 Neighborhoods: Clark-Fulton, Stockyards, portions of Brooklyn Centre, Themont and West Boulevard

Glick Center Dedication and Community Day

A dedication ceremony was held on October 8 for the MetroHealth Glick Center – an innovative hospital on the forefront of health care located in the Clark-Fulton neighborhood. Afterward, the hospital hosted a community festival in the adjacent park, which is now just 3 acres.

The Glick Center, which opened in November, is 12 acres, making it the first hospital in a park in the United States.



Images from the Glick Center Dedication and Community Day. Photos courtesy of MetroHealth.







Received gifts. Councilwoman Santana commends all those involved in acknowledging this Hispanic community tradition with a great cause.

Reyes Magos

New Community Learning Center Opens at CPL Fulton Branch



On October 14, 2022, Councilwoman Santana joined leaders from the Cleveland Public Library, Verizon, and JumpStart for the opening of the second

On January 3, the Cleveland Department of Community Relations held a drive-thru

giveaway at Buhrer School to celebrate Reyes Magos (Three Kings Day). Hundreds of families

> Verizon Community Learning Center, located in CPL's Fulton Branch, 3545 Fulton Road. The Verizon Community Learning Centers are being opened in four cities across America, with the two centers here in Cleveland being the first to open nationally. The launch here provides Cleveland with the opportunity to demonstrate what learning could look like nationwide, primarily in the areas of STEM education, professional development, small business growth and development, and digital literacy.

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and abandoned looking properties, in all our neighborhoods, and we need to help responsible owners. I pledge to hold the property owners' responsible. Abandoned and crumbling buildings affects residents mental health.

I am asking for help reporting these blighted properties. If you live near a home or business that is falling apart please report it to our office at 216-664-4238, the City of Cleveland Health Department Website, or report it to the Housing Team at Metro West CDC 216-961-9073.

The City Health Department investigates garbage and trash complaints and other unsanitary conditions, as well as stagnant water (a big concern in the summer when mosquitoes can breed in it). Residents can also call 3-1-1. The city plans to beef up the services provided there. Residents can also complain to the city's Building and Housing Department about properties that need to be torn down.

Separately, **the Ward 14** Community showed up to the





Safety Meeting with Mayor Bibb and Safety Director Howard,

to share residents' experiences. Due to that meeting, there have been 10 safety cameras placed around trouble spots in the ward.

Residents with security cameras are being asked to join their cameras through a quick sign-up process, so all security cameras in the area can work together to catch criminals. Contact Lieutenant Beckner at SBeckner@clevelandohio. gov to sign up.

There are many more positive changes coming this year and I wanted to take this time to thank

all the block club leaders, all of the garden leaders, all of the City of Cleveland Departments who inspected and cited hundreds of local property owners - or answered residents questions. Thank you to the 1st and 2nd District Police Departments, Metro West and Tremont West staff who used their creativity to address such longstanding and complicated challenges facing residents.

And thank you to the Spanish American Committee, May Dugan, Scranton Road Bible Church and Building Hope in the City for showing up day after day. Improving a community takes so much dedication and I am grateful for all of the people and organizations that show up with me!

Best, Jasmin Santana Councilwoman, Ward 14

Chair – Workforce, Education, Training & Youth Development

Majority Whip – City Council Leadership



The Second Police District has successfully moved over 50 abandoned vehicles from Ward 14 Streets! They are still receiving calls on cars to check, so keep up the good work residents. Remember that cleared streets improve both street cleaning efforts and snow plowing options for all residents.

The Second District Community Relations Committee has started asking residents to email them about these cars, BEFORE snow parking bans are enforced. Police have committed to trying to reach car owners and giving them a warning to move it, or lose it! Chunks of the Ward 14 community have little parking options and abandoned and stranded cars take up much needed parking!

It's really great to see Second District Police Station being so proactive about this. To report an abandoned vehicle, email Lt. Beckner at sbeckner@clevelandohio.gov.

WATCH COUNCIL MEETINGS ONLINE!



You Tube (LIVE & RECORDED)

youtube.com/user/clevelandcitycouncil

(LIVE) tv20cleveland.com/watch-now/

To find listings of upcoming council and committee meetings visit: clevelandcitycouncil.org/resources/events

The 2023 budget hearings for the City of Cleveland began February 14th.

Every year in February and March, Cleveland City Council must thoroughly review and deliberate the Mayor's budget before it is accepted and implemented, as well as the federal Community Development Block Grant Program funding, which supports community development activities.

The budget determines everything about the city, from how much road salt is bought to how many employees are on staff to pick up garbage. Each department comes before the council to discuss how many employees are budgeted for 2023, the cost, as well as the programs and services they will be providing with the funding. Council can amend the budget, including adding or reducing funding for certain departments or programs.

You can review the 2023 Mayor's Estimate budget at clevelandohio.gov.

Budget hearings will be broadcast via YouTube (youtube.com/user/ClevelandCityCouncil); TV20 (Spectrum Cable -Cleveland Channel 1020); and livestreamed on tv20cleveland.com/ watch-now.

Please note, due to President's Day holiday, there will be no hearing on February 20th.





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or call 216-293-7200.

Para programar una cita, visite refundohio.org o llame al 216-293-7200



Greater Cleveland

Cha'Firo Catering & Events has opened their doors at 2886 West 25th St. With CEO/Executive chef Peggi Cruz at the helm they specialize in vegan and vegetarian versions of our Caribbean favorites. Cha'Firo hours: Thursday - Sunday, 12 - 7 pm Contact: 216-701-6535 • peggi@chafiro.com instagram.com/chafirocatering facebook.com/Peggichafiro.inc

The Pizza Bagel Lady

Terry Thomsen, owner of the Pizza Bagel Lady, has relocated

her baking business from Fairview Park to the Hildebrandt Building (3619 Walton Avenue, B100) in Cleveland's Clark-Fulton district. Home to Cleveland's Famous Pizza Bagel, this bakery offers a delicious variety of treats. Hot or to-go pizza bagels available for pickup and delivery via Uber Eats or order for pickup directly from the website: **pizagel.com Contact:** 440-714-7001 • thepizzabagellady@gmail.com instagram.com/pizzabagellady/ facebook.com/pizzabagellady











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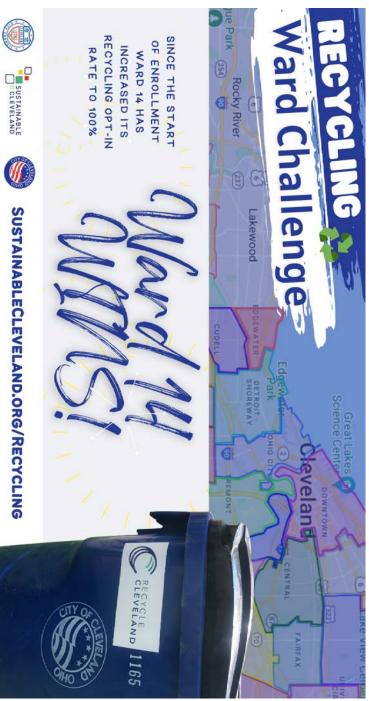
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www.clevelandohio.gov



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Size of **Total Household**

- up to \$73,342.50

homeowners and renters are eligible for assistance. income earned by dependent minors under 18 years old. Both must report total gross household income for the past 30 days (12 months preferred) for all members, except wage or salary



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juliedahlhausen@tremontwest.org 216-280-8411 Community Engagement Specialist, available to print and help residents through the levels are:

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Metro West Contact: Anthony Peterson

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