



Scenes & Sounds of 7

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A Word from Councilwoman Stephanie D. Howse

Greetings Ward 7 Residents:

Happy New Year! Spring is on the horizon and it is important to give thanks to our family members, friends, coworkers and neighbors, who have cared and supported us throughout the year. On behalf of our Ward 7 Office, I personally would like to thank each and every resident of Ward 7 who has volunteered and demonstrated care and love to our neighbors and residents who attended community events and meetings to receive updates and offer constructive feedback to strengthen our partnership in our community. I would also like

to thank each of our community development corporations, presenters and speakers for working together with our office to provide our community with needed resources, opportunities and activities to participate in.

I continue to look forward to our continued partnership in 2023 and beyond.

Yours Truly,

Stephanie D. Howse

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2023 Community Meetings

Community meetings are a way for residents in the community to discuss important topics and issues dealing with a local situation, while also receiving updates and necessary information from their council member.

Children are always welcome.



Meetings are always
live streamed on
**Facebook.com/
CWStephanie Howse**

Saturday, March 4th at 12:00 pm

"Our Year in 2022 Review" at MAGNET,
1800 E. 63rd St, Cleveland, OH 44103

Saturday, April 8th at 12:00 pm

Cross Country Mortgage 2160 Superior Ave,
Cleveland, OH 44114

Thursday, May 11th at 6:00 pm

Masjid Bilal 7401 Euclid Ave,
Cleveland, OH 44103

Wednesday, June 14th at 6:00 pm

Chinese Church 3224 Payne Ave,
Cleveland, OH 44114

Saturday, August 5th at 12:00 pm

Ward 7 Community Festival at League Park
6601 Lexington Ave,
Cleveland, OH 44103

Thursday, September 7th at 6:00 pm

East Professional Center 1349 E 79th St,
Cleveland, OH 44103

Tuesday, October 10th at 6:00 pm

Promise Academy 1701 E 13th St,
Cleveland, OH 44114

Utility Resource Fair and Career Fair and Expungement Clinic a Success

On February 4th, Ward 7 Councilwoman Stephanie Howse and Ward 10 Councilman Anthony T. Hairston co-hosted two great events at East Professional Center – a Utility Resource Assistance Fair and the Midwest CannaWomen Career Fair & Expungement Clinic.

Hundreds of residents were able to get crucial aid, including support with utilities, homeownership, and rental assistance at the utility fair. And at the expungement clinic, those in need received help with getting a case sealed or removed from public record. Those in attendance were also linked with employment opportunities. **If you need help with your utilities, here is a list of our event partners:**



• Northeast Ohio Regional Sewer District

Phone: 216-881-8247

Website: neorsd.org

• Midwest CannaWomen

Email: ally@midwestcannawomen.com

Website: midwestcannawomen.com

• City of Cleveland Prosecutor's Office

Phone: 216-664-4850

• CHN Housing Partners

Phone: 216-574-7100

Email: help@chnhousingpartners.org

Website: chnhousingpartners.org

• Cleveland City Council

Phone: 216-664-2908

Email: showse@clevelandcitycouncil.org

Website: clevelandcitycouncil.org/ward-7

• Cleveland Division of Water

Phone: 216-664-3130

Email: websiteinquiries@clevelandwater.com

Website: clevelandwater.com

• Cleveland Metropolitan School District

Phone: 216-838-0000

Website: clevelandmetroschools.org

• Cleveland Public Power

Phone: 216-664-4600

Website: cpp.org



• Community Housing Solutions

Phone: 216-231-5815

Email: lindag@yourchs.org

Website: yourchs.org

• Cuyahoga Job and Family Services

Phone: 1-844-640-OHIO (6446)

Website: benefits.ohio.gov

• Division of Water Pollution Control

Phone: 216-664-2513

Website: clevelandwpc.com

• Dominion Energy

Phone: 1-800-362-7557

Website: dominionenergy.com/ohio#

• First Energy

Phone: 800-686-990

Website: firstenergycorp.com

• Greater Cleveland Foodbank

Phone: 216-738-2265

Website: greaterclevelandfoodbank.org

• Legal Aid Society of Cleveland

Phone: 888-817-3777

Website: lasclv.org

• Legal Works

Phone: 216-791-6476 ext. 271

Email: info@legalworksneo.org

Website: legalworksneo.org

• Norman S. Minor Bar Association

Phone: 216-200-7102

Email: info@nsmba.org

Website: nsmba.org

• Step Forward

Phone: 216-696-9077

Website: stepforwardtoday.org

• Towards Employment

Phone: 216-696-5750

Email: Info@towardsemployment.org

Website: towardsemployment.org

2022 WARD 7 HIGHLIGHTS



Ward 7 Partnership Collaboration Meeting

June 14th - We gathered all businesses and agencies serving Ward 7 to tell us about their organization and seek ways to support one another.



City of Cleveland Department of Aging Senior Walks

July 20th - On this day Councilwoman Howse visited and walked with the seniors at League Park as they exercised, stretched, and were given refreshments. This was a great time to connect with residents and express the importance of health in our community.



Famicos Resource Fair at McDonald's

July 21st - Famicos Foundation & McDonald's hosted a resource fair for the community and Ward 7 office represented by distributing resource materials to community members.



The City Club of Cleveland Juvenile Criminal Justice Reform

August 26th - Councilwoman Howse was a speaker in a panel conversation about how states can boost preventative efforts, transform juvenile justice, and help children access the support they need to meet their full potential.



Eliza Bryant Village Fall Festival

October 7th - Councilwoman Howse made an appearance with donations and hosted a resource table at Eliza Bryant Village for the resident's Fall Festival.



Environmental Justice Meeting

October 27th - Ward 7 office reached out to different organizations and stakeholders within the community as we discussed the drafting of language to create the definition for environmental justice in the City of Cleveland. In May 2022, the Cleveland Division of Air Quality hosted its first community program entitled: "Change is in the Air: A Community Conversation." The discussion topics included: Air Quality; Asthma; Environmental Justice & Your Health; and Community Air Monitoring. The conversation was rich and my office was motivated to build on the momentum that began that day. While we are starting our collective work on creating a definition, please know our long-term goal is to build a long-term working partnership to create policies that will restore our environment and reinvest in our communities that have historically been neglected.



Interview with Spectrum News 1

October 31st - Councilwoman Howse was interviewed by Spectrum News 1 to discuss her opinion on ShotSpotter, which is a gunshot detection technology that uses sophisticated acoustic sensors to detect, locate and alert law enforcement agencies and security personnel about illegal gunfire incidents in real-time.



Food Bank Collaboration Meeting

November 9th - Our office collaborated with other food distributors to discuss ways their organization, along with other organizations, and our Ward 7 office can partner and support one another in our efforts to provide food for Ward 7 residents.



Violence Prevention Meeting

November 7th - Councilwoman Howse listened to community members express their crime concerns at Daniel E. Morgan School. A week later on November 14th she joined Councilman Starr, Councilwoman Gray, and violence prevention stakeholders to discuss violence prevention strategies in the City of Cleveland.



Thanksgiving Highlight

November 21st - Councilwoman Howse and Famicos hosted their food distribution and turkey and ham giveaway for Thanksgiving.

COUNCILWOMAN HOWSE IN SERVICE



Council is the City of **Cleveland's legislative branch of government** and is responsible for writing and enacting city laws, known as ordinances. Council has 11 standing committees that meet publicly to write and pass ordinances that impact Clevelanders – housing, safety, public services, employment, the city budget and economic development.

Councilwoman Stephanie D. Howse serves on the following committees:

Vice Chair – Workforce, Education, Training & Youth Development

Member – Development, Planning & Sustainability

Member – Health, Human Services & the Art

Member – Safety

In 2022, Councilwoman Stephanie Howse:

- Addressed over 1,500 constituent cases
- Hosted 40 Community Neighborhood Office Hours/ Drop-In Hours/Walk & Talks for personalized and direct contact for Ward 7 residents
- Participated in **resident-led meetings** at Hough Heritage, Eliza Bryant Village, Addison Square, Rainbow Apartments, Bohn Tower, Kingsbury Apartments and Lawnview Street Club
- Passed legislation to create the **Cleveland Black Women and Girls Commission**
- Passed legislation to provide over **\$4.4 million dollars to support Cleveland families** in affording childcare and to support Early Childhood Education professionals
- Passed legislation to create **\$30 million dollars for the renovation/construction of 3,000 affordable and market rate housing units**
- Passed legislation to provide **\$2.5 million dollars to support victims of sexual violence**
- Advocated for the City of Cleveland to commit a **minimum of \$4 million dollars for community centered violence prevention**
- Established a partnership with the Inamori International Center for Ethics and Excellence at Case Western Reserve University to provide **two summer fellows** to support residents and businesses in Ward 7

WATCH COUNCIL MEETINGS ONLINE!



You Tube

(LIVE & RECORDED) youtube.com/user/clevelandcitycouncil

TV 20

(LIVE) tv20cleveland.com/watch-now/

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

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December 2022 Councilwoman Howse in partnerships with Famicos Foundation hosted the Ward 7 Annual Holiday Party where over 300 residents enjoyed food, fun, entertainment and food gift cards. Councilwoman Howse also hosted holiday dinners and raffles for our seniors at St. Clair Place, Asian Evergreen Apartments, Kingsbury Tower, Erie Square Apartments, Rainbow Place I & II, Bohn Tower, Eliza Bryant, and Addison Square.



Community Drop-In Hours

2023

MARCH

Thursday, March 16 • 5:00 - 7:00 pm
Thurgood Marshall Recreation Center
8611 Hough Ave, Cleveland, OH 44106

Wednesday March 22 • 3:00 - 5:00 pm
Mango Mango
3133 Payne Ave, Cleveland, OH 44114

Thursday, March 23 • 10:00 am - 12:00 pm
Hough Library Branch
6530 Lexington Ave, Cleveland, OH 44103

APRIL

Wednesday, April 12 • 5:00 - 7:00 pm
Kovacic Recreation Center
6250 St Clair Ave., Cleveland, OH 44103

Wednesday, April 19 • 2:00 - 4:00 pm
Cafe Phix
6815 Euclid Ave, Cleveland, OH 44103

Thursday, April 20 • 9:00 - 11:00 am
The Bake Shop (located in Tyler Village)
615 Superior Ave, Cleveland, OH 44114

MAY

Wednesday, May 17 • 2:00 - 4:00 pm
Green Goat Cafe Bar
2125 Superior Ave, Cleveland, OH 44114

Thursday, May 18 • 5:00 - 7:00 pm
Sterling Recreation Center
1380 E 32nd St, Cleveland, OH 44114

Wednesday, May 24 • 2:00 - 4:00 pm
McDonald's
1540 E 55th St, Cleveland, OH 44103

Thursday, May 25 • 10:00 am - 12:00 pm
Addison Library Branch
6901 Superior Ave, Cleveland, OH 44103

Food assistance is just a call away.

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GreaterClevelandFoodBank.org

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Regular Council meetings are held in-person at Cleveland City Hall (601 Lakeside Ave.) in City Council Chambers on the second floor.

All meetings are broadcast live:

- **YouTube** youtube.com/user/ClevelandCityCouncil
- **TV20** (*Spectrum Cable - Cleveland*) Channel 1020
- **TV20 Livestream** tv20cleveland.com/watch-now/

Council welcomes Public Comment!

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 - IT: up to 16 weeks (IC3 up to 8 weeks, CompTIA up to 8 weeks)
 - State-Tested Nurse Aid (STNA): Up to 8 weeks (includes sitting for the state license)
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