

A Message from Councilwoman Jasmin Santana

Happy summer, residents,

This summer so many exciting things are happening; I don't know where to start. First, CentroVilla25 got the last needed funding to start this transformational project thanks to Cleveland City Council.

I appreciate my colleagues for understanding and supporting this great project which will makeover the area at West 25th just south of Clark Avenue. Look for construction starting this Fall.

We're hosting some dumpster days throughout the ward, so look around your house for things that need tossing and for things that would be good to donate. I'm looking forward to seeing residents out in their yards, their front porches, and neighborhood parks during these nice summer months.

Check out the information in the newsletter for educational opportunities, including a program for the "comebacker campaign" that provides loan forgiveness for individuals who started a degree but have been unable to return and complete that degree due to debt.

The Puerto Rican Expo and Parade is happening later this summer, and all are welcome to the celebration with good food and fun. Stay tuned for other neighborhood information this summer. And remember to take hold of these days and cherish them. As Nat King Cole sang, "Roll out those lazy, hazy, crazy days of summer...You'll wish that summer could always be here."

Best,

Jantana

Jasmin Santana Ward 14 Councilwoman



Farmer's Market in the Neighborhood

Stop by the Cleveland Fresh Farmers Market which is starting its first year in the Clark-Fulton neighborhood. Every Saturday from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. until October 28 at Roberto Clemente Park, 3690 Seymour Ave. Vegetables, herbs and fruits will be available for purchase, and other treats such as tropical ice cream and mini donuts. Snap/EBT recipients can be matched with up to an extra \$25. That gives shoppers an extra \$25 to buy your produce for the week or save for another Market day.

Council Closes CentroVilla25 Funding Gap

It is my great honor to announce that Cleveland City Council has closed the last funding gap for CentroVilla! Construction will be starting on this beautiful, thoughtful, and Latino-focused space! This project will be transformational for all of Cleveland. Special thank yous and shout outs to the decades of work local Latino leadership has poured into this project.

This funding will close the financing gap to start construction and renovation. I am proud to have sponsored this ordinance, along with Council President Blaine A. Griffin, and Councilman

Council is providing a \$1.5 million grant through revenue recovery funds to the Northeast Ohio Hispanic Center to partially finance the CentroVilla25 project at 3140 West 25th Street. CentroVilla25 entails an adaptive reuse of a vacant 32,500 square foot warehouse and office building with an additional 12,500 square foot expansion. The market will feature 20 kiosk-style microretail spaces, a commercial kitchen, business innovation center and co-working space, office space for Latino and neighborhood-serving organizations, outdoor plaza with a restaurant, and a community gathering space for arts & culture programming.

Anthony Hairston.



Ward 14 is Celebrating Women!

Thank you to everyone who came out on International Women's Day at Our Dance Happy Hour! This MetroHealth Institute for H.O.P.E.TM, led event had over 60 local ladies show up! Thank you Margie Colon, with Pura Salsa, for making us dance and prioritize our health through physical fitness! It's always been my belief that women have a great deal of energy and power when they come together. Perhaps that's why I enjoy working with women so much and hope to continue doing so for many years to come. In the words of Jenice Contreras, Executive Director of the Northeast Ohio Hispanic Chamber of Commerce, "The Day was an amazing display of women supporting each other."

International Women's Day would not have been a success without all the volunteers and participants. In case you missed it, we'll be holding monthly women's workshops soon. Stay tuned! Together, let's continue to support one another!

It was an honor for Cleveland City Council to recognize Patty Munoz and Marielee Santiago Rodríguez on International Women's Day for organizing events and years of working to improve women's health. A special recognition was also given to Jenice Contreras for her work in Clark-Fulton neighborhoods and her support of women. In this community, Jenice's hard work, perseverance, and passion will soon flourish, and she should know how appreciated she is.











FAMOUS ITALIAN FOOD

We have our famous zeppoli, sausage sandwiches, lasagna, cannoli and lemoncello cake

LIVE MUSIC |

A collection of bands each night of the festival. Thursday Night bands start at / 6pm! Full list of music acts and times coming soon. 10000

THE GRAND FINALE PROCESSION |

Procession starts after Sunday Mass and the pole climbing starts at 2pm and the on Labor Day

For Questions Contact: 216.961.8331 mbuhaley@saintroccocleveland.com for residents to discard trash from their yards, garages and street!

LOCATIONS & DATES The dumpsters are available from 10:00 am - 3:00 pm WEST 73RD/WEST BLVD TREMONT 73rd & Neville Ave Corner of W.23rd & Meyer Ave 3RD 1ST 12TH 29TH STOCKYARD **CLARK/FULTON** West 50th & Storer Ave 3247 West 30th (Parcel# 007-34-081) 27TH 15TH 26TH 17TH 9TH Dumpsters are NOT FOR CONTRACTORS but for residents only.



2023 Cleveland Puerto Rican EXPO (Parade & Festival) is made possible by the countless volunteer hours of our community members.

We are always looking to expand our team and encourage you to join us! Please use the following link to sign up: www.puertoricanparade.org/volunteer.html

Ward 14 Community **Clean-Up!**













Education For All

Mayor Bibb and Cleveland City Council are working together to expand opportunities and support for Cleveland students. Check out some of the programs being supported and expanded through the American Rescue Plan Act funds. Use the QR code to learn more about the programs:















Any resident of the Clark-Fulton, Stockyards & Brooklyn Centre communities is encouraged to apply. We are looking to fund and support projects that promote equity in the neighborhood, connection between neighbors, and growth opportunities for you as a leader! If you have a project or program idea for improving your neighborhood, then this is your chance to take action!



Grant Application/Submit - May - June

Day of Event - September



Save the Date for the

Rally!! September 9, @ 8am Breakfast, Coffee, **T-shirts!**

Questions: Anthony@

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Examples of Past Projects with Purpose

- Block parties
 Storytelling initiatives
 Community Garden installs
 Pocket-park improvements
 Cooking classes
 Art classes for youth
 Greenspace or alley-clean up



