



COUNCIL MEMBER
Jenny Spencer

CUDELL
DETROIT SHOREWAY
EDGEWATER
PARTS OF OHIO CITY
& STOCKYARDS

**WE ARE
WARD 15**

Nosotros Somos Ward 15 - Al servicio de los vecindarios de Cudell, Detroit Shoreway, Edgewater y parte de Ohio City y Stockyards

A Message from Council Member Jenny Spencer

Dear Neighbor,

I look forward to meeting you in person soon. Once the weather warms, I hope we'll have many opportunities to gather as a community and enjoy everything our neighborhoods have to offer. In the meantime, **it's important that we continue to care for one another and stay safe.**

As the COVID-19 pandemic continues, remember to wear a face mask, wash your hands frequently, and stay at a safe distance from others. **Please follow me on Facebook and Twitter at @jennyspencercl**, where I'll post regular updates regarding COVID-19 vaccine distribution.

Many of us are blessed in Ward 15 but many of us are also struggling. Resources and support are available in the community. One of the best sources of information is compiled by my friends at Detroit Shoreway Community Development Organization (DSCDO) and Cudell Improvement, Inc. The list is updated frequently and it's tailor-made for Ward 15 based on proximity and accessibility. It can be viewed

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at www.dscdo.org/coronavirus and www.cudell.com/coronavirus. Other resources can be found at www.dscdo.org under the “resources” drop-down menu. Please do your part by checking in on neighbors and making sure they have what they need during this winter season.

You can reach my office at (216) 664-4235 and at council15@clevelandcitycouncil.org. Your health and well-being are important to me, and I am proud to serve our community.

Best wishes,

Jenny Spencer

Un mensaje de la concejala Jenny Spencer

Querido/a vecino/a,

Espero conocerle pronto en persona. Una vez que venga la primavera, espero que tengamos muchas oportunidades para reunirnos como comunidad y disfrutar de todo lo que nuestros vecindarios ofrecen. **Mientras tanto, es importante que sigamos cuidándonos unos a otros y manteniéndonos seguros.**

A medida que continúa la pandemia de COVID-19, recuerde usar una mascarilla, lavarse las manos con frecuencia y mantenerse a una distancia segura de los demás. Pueden seguirme en Facebook y Twitter en @jennyspencercl, donde publicaré actualizaciones periódicas sobre la distribución de la vacuna COVID-19.

Muchos de nosotros somos bendecidos en el Ward 15, pero muchos de nosotros también estamos luchando. Los recursos y el apoyo están disponibles en la comunidad. Una de las mejores fuentes de información es la recopilada por mis amigos de la Organización de Desarrollo Comunitario de Detroit Shoreway (DSCDO) y Cudell Improvement, Inc. La lista se actualiza con frecuencia y se puede ver en www.dscdo.org/coronavirus y www.cudell.com/coronavirus. Se puede encontrar otros recursos en www.dscdo.org en el menú desplegable “recursos.” Por favor, haga su parte controlando a los vecinos y asegurándose de que tengan lo que necesitan durante esta temporada de invierno.

Puede comunicarse en mi oficina al (216) 664-4235 y al council15@clevelandcitycouncil.org. Estoy orgullosa de servir a nuestra comunidad. Su salud y bienestar son la máxima prioridad.

Con mejores deseos,
Jenny Spencer

COVID-19 Vaccine Distribution

Many Ward 15 residents are anxiously awaiting an opportunity to receive a COVID-19 vaccination. Ohio is following a phased approach to vaccine administration and we are now in “Phase 1B”, which will primarily target Ohioans age 65 and older, others at high risk, and helping K-12 students get back in the classroom by March. The following is vaccine distribution information specific to city of Cleveland residents:

There are limited doses of vaccine available nationwide, and the Cleveland Department of Public Health (CDPH) is receiving limited quantities. However, in addition to CDPH there are over 20 other entities dispensing vaccine in Cleveland for Phase 1B.

It is recommended that you start by contacting your own health care provider. You may also search the Ohio Department of Health website by ZIP Code for other providers:



<https://vaccine.coronavirus.ohio.gov/>. You may also call the United Way of Cleveland 2-1-1 call center to assist you in finding a vaccine provider.

In addition, city of Cleveland residents may join the CDPH's Phase 1B waitlist by calling their Call Center at 216-664-2222, Monday - Friday, 9a to 5p. Visit the CDPH COVID-19 website at www.clevelandhealth.news/covid19-vaccine for updates.

Even after you've been vaccinated, please continue to wear a mask, practice social distancing and frequent hand washing. This will be necessary until over 80% of the population has been vaccinated.

RECYCLING UPDATE



The City of Cleveland is in the process of evaluating and updating its curbside recycling program. An announcement on the program's status is expected by mid-2021. With questions about the program, you can contact the Mayor's Office of Sustainability at sustainability@city.cleveland.oh.us.



CodeRED™

SIGN UP for CodeRED alerts to receive calls and emails with important info regarding the Coronavirus. To sign up online, visit <https://bit.ly/CLECodeRED>. Get mobile alerts by downloading the CodeRED app via the Apple or Google Play stores. Seniors who need assistance signing up are welcome to call the Department of Aging at 216-664-4383 for periodic phone call messaging.



FIND OUT WHAT'S HAPPENING IN YOUR NEIGHBORHOOD!

Follow Jenny Spencer, Detroit Shoreway, Cudell Improvement and the Gordon Square Arts District on Social Media:

@detroitshoreway · @cudellimprovement · @gordonsquare



You can follow Council Member Jenny Spencer on Facebook and Twitter at @jennyspencercle.

Set Out Guidelines for Waste Collection



For your convenience the 2021 City of Cleveland Division of Waste Bulk Pick-up Calendar is on page four of this newsletter. In addition to bulk pick-up dates, the calendar includes information about proper waste set out. **Here are some tips to make sure your waste collection is compliant with city set out guidelines:**

Rule of Three

Remember that the **limit for bulk pick-up is three items**. Residents may leave out for collection items such as appliances, tables, chairs, mattress box springs, couches and furniture. All mattresses, box springs and cloth furniture must be wrapped in plastic. In addition to the three items, residents may leave out up to four tires. The City does not accept construction material. Boxes and loose bags are not bulk items. Carpet must be cut and rolled into 3-foot long pieces and must not exceed 40 pounds.

Waste Set Out Rules

The Division of Waste also reminds residents of the following waste regulations:

- Only waste in officially issued City carts will be accepted, and loose trash or bags outside City roll carts will not be accepted.
- Construction materials, hazardous waste, bricks, dirt, concrete, cinder blocks, auto parts, loose metal items, medical waste or fluorescent tubes WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED in or outside of roll carts.
- No wet paint should be placed in roll carts. All paint cans should be dry before they are placed in roll carts.
- Do not place hot charcoal ashes in roll carts. For further information regarding waste collection, please call the Division of Waste Collection at (216) 664-3711 or visit www.clevelandohio.gov

Lead Safe at Home in Cleveland Seguridad en Casa relativa al Plomo

Información sobre intoxicación por plomo está disponible en español. Póngase en contacto con el Centro de Recursos para la Seguridad relativa al Plomo a través de info@leadsafeCLE.org o llamar en el 1-833-601-5323.

The Lead Safe Cleveland Coalition believes no child should ever be lead poisoned. While poisoning typically occurs in early childhood, it can have long-term effects on exposed individuals.

The lead poisoning crisis has a housing solution. Exposure of leaded dust in a home is the main source of poisoning for Cleveland's children. If you live in a home built before 1978, lead hazards may be present, even if you do not see chipping or peeling paint. Most children are poisoned by swallowing lead dust from hand to mouth activity. It takes less than a teaspoon of dust - the size of a sugar packet - to cause serious, long-term harm.

Beginning March 31, 2021, the City of Cleveland is requiring all residential rental units to receive a Lead Safe Certification. To obtain a Lead Safe Certification, rental property owners must pass a Lead Clearance conducted by an independent, certified lead safe worker. Certification will be rolled out in phases: **most rental properties in Ward**

Attention Landlords!

Beginning March 31, 2021, the City of Cleveland is requiring residential rental units built before 1978 to receive a **Lead Safe Certification**.

We can help you get there.

Call us at **833.601.5323** or visit our website at **LeadSafeCLE.org** to learn more.

Link in Bio.



15 will need Lead Safe Certification by September 2021. Lead Safe Home Loans and Grants are available. The Lead Safe Cleveland Coalition website (www.leadsafeCLE.org) is a tremendous resource with helpful information for both families and landlords. You can also contact the Coalition's hotline at 1-833-601-LEAD (5323) or visit the Lead Safe Resource Center at 4600 Euclid Avenue (check website at www.leadsafeCLE.org/lead-safe-resource-center as hours may vary).

Source: Lead Safe Cleveland Coalition

PREPARACIÓN DE IMPUESTOS GRATIS

GET YOUR TAXES PREPARED FOR FREE*

BY THE CUYAHOGA EITC COALITION

Maximize your tax return and keep every penny!

*For those who qualify and make less than \$57,000

Eligible hardworking families can receive up to \$6,660 at tax time with the Earned Income Tax Credit (EITC).

- Keep every penny of your tax return by filing for FREE
- Quality tax preparation by IRS-certified volunteers
- Tax sites conveniently located all over Cuyahoga County
- Translation services available in Spanish, Mandarin, Cantonese, Arabic, and American Sign Language at select locations
- Virtual appointments available



Make your appointment now with the Cuyahoga EITC (Earned Income Tax Credit) Coalition for FREE tax preparation. **To schedule an appointment,* visit refundohio.org, or call 2-1-1.**

Para programar una cita, visite [el refundohio.org](http://refundohio.org) o llame al 2-1-1. New this year, virtual appointments are also available.

Eligible hardworking families can receive up to \$6,600 at tax time with the EITC. This service is available for those who qualify and make under \$57,000 a year. All returns are completed by IRS-certified volunteer tax preparers at conveniently located tax sites. **The two closest tax sites for Ward 15 residents are:**

- **The Gordon Square Arcade**, 6516 Detroit Ave, Cleveland, OH 44102 - ENGLISH ONLY
- **Lin Omni Center**, 3167 Fulton Road, Cleveland, OH 44109 - ENGLISH AND SPANISH

*All tax sites require an appointment – there will be no walk-in appointments available.



Home Repair Resources: Meet Bridget

Recursos de reparación del hogar: Conoce a Bridget

Puede contactarse con Bridget Kent Márquez en el 216-961-4242 ext. 223 or bkentmarquez@dscdo.org sobre recursos de reparación del hogar.

Bridget Kent Márquez is the Healthy Homes Coordinator serving the Detroit Shoreway, Cudell, Edgewater and West Boulevard Neighborhoods. The Healthy Homes Initiative was created by the City of Cleveland's Department of Community Development in order to connect residents with home repair resources.

Various home repair resources are available, including grants as well as zero or low interest loans from a variety of non-profit, public, and private institutions. These home



repair programs can include projects such as energy efficiency upgrades with furnace and hot water tank replacement, exterior home repairs, and more. Each program comes with its own qualifying factors, such as income guidelines and household guidelines.

Bridget speaks both English and Spanish

and is here to help explain the programs and to guide residents in navigating which one(s) may be the best fit for you and your home. She is more than willing to assist with the application process as well! You can contact Bridget at 216-961-4242 ext. 223 or bkentmarquez@dscdo.org.



Applications now open for the City of Cleveland Paint Program

The City of Cleveland has released the 2021 Exterior Paint Program Applications! **The program issues paint vouchers to residents to paint the exterior of their homes. The deadline for application submission is February 28, 2021 and funds are limited.** Program vouchers will only cover paint and supplies – no labor is covered. Please contact Bridget Kent Marquez at 216-961-4242 x223 or bkentmarquez@dscdo.org with any questions or to have a hard copy of the application mailed directly to you.

DID YOU KNOW?

60 New Houses to be Built in Ward 15

Sixty (60) new homes will be built in Ward 15 in 2021 and 2022 as part of CHN Housing Partners' Lease Purchase Program. This affordable housing strategy allows qualifying families to rent a home with the opportunity to purchase after 15 years. If you see one of the signs pictured below or a house being built near you, please help welcome our new neighbors to the community! While the waiting list for homes in Ward 15 is currently full, **those interested in more information about the Lease Purchase Program should contact CHN at (216) 574-7100.**



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2021

Department of Public Works
Division of Waste Collection



H One day delayed collection

H Holiday with regular pickup

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Visit www.ClevelandCityCouncil.org/ward-15



Council Member Spencer serves on the following council committees:

- Safety
- Transportation
- Workforce & Community Benefits
- Health & Human Services

Watch Council Meetings Online

In spite of these trying times, the work of Cleveland City Council continues. Council has been meeting electronically with virtual public hearings and legislative sessions. Go to www.clevelandcitycouncil.org/calendar to find listings of upcoming committee meetings.

You Tube WATCH (LIVE & RECORDED)
www.youtube.com/user/ClevelandCityCouncil

TV 20 WATCH (LIVE)
www.tv20cleveland.com/watch-now/

Facing Eviction? There's Help

Cleveland families who are facing eviction and would like to find out if they qualify for free legal assistance can contact **Right to Counsel** – Cleveland (RTC-C). RTC-C families also may receive information about resources for rental assistance, case management, access to food, and other important services.



Call 216-861-5835, visit www.FreeEvictionHelp.org, or call 2-1-1 HelpLink, 24/7. All conversations are free and confidential.

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Jan. 1st - New Year's Day
Waste Collection 1 day delay all week
Jan. 18th - MLK Day: 1 day delay all week

Feb. 22nd - Presidents' Day
No delay in collection

Apr. 2nd - Good Friday
No delay in collection

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May 31st - Memorial Day
1 day delay all week

July 4th - Independence Day
No delay in collection

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Sept. 6th - Labor Day
1 day delay all week

Nov. 25th - Thanksgiving Day
Thursday collection on Friday
Friday collection on Saturday

Dec. 25th - Christmas Holiday
No delay in collection

B = BULK WEEK (3 items only)

City of Cleveland
Department of Public Works
Division of Waste Collection
5600 Carnegie Avenue
Cleveland, Ohio 44103
216-664-3711
www.cleveland-oh.gov

Division of Waste Collection services for your convenience:



5600 Carnegie or 3727 Ridge Road, 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.
DO NOT leave computers, tires, trees, hazardous waste, or other debris at the drop off boxes. These items must be taken to the service garages on the designated round up dates.