



Scenes & Sounds of 7

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A Word from Councilwoman Stephanie D. Howse

Greetings Ward 7 Residents:



I am honored to serve as your Ward 7 Councilwoman. As your voice in Cleveland City Council, I am dedicated to working with you and our Ward 7 community members to continue to build the community we want and

deserve. Many people have asked me, what is your plan for Ward 7? My plan for our community is based on the vision we have created for Ward 7. **The Vision of Ward 7 is to ensure community members have the ABC's to improve our collective quality of life:**

- ▶ Access to Resources
- ▶ Build Family and Neighbor Relationships
- ▶ Create Safe and Vibrant Neighborhoods

Access to Resources means that we know who is living and serving in our community, how to communicate with community members and that we use the information we have to connect community members to the appropriate resource(s) when they need it. Building Family and Neighbor Relationships means we get to know each other and help mend broken relationships to support families and neighbors in ways they need to be supported. Creating Safe and Vibrant Neighborhoods means we have the resources we need and the people we need to have a thriving community that is for the benefit of everyone living, working and serving in Ward 7.

To fulfill our Vision of Ward 7, we will need you to work in partnership with our Ward 7 office. This means we need to have your updated contact information; we need to know what activities/events you are interested in and we need to know what skills or contributions you want to share with our community. Together, we can continue to work to build and strengthen Ward 7 for all community members.

The first half of the year, my office has been busy working for you, answering and responding to residents' concerns, hosting community meetings and office hours, and actively participating in Cleveland City Council committee hearings and meetings to ensure our City's laws better reflect the needs of our community. I am grateful you have put your trust in me to serve you and work with you for the benefit of Ward 7. I look forward to all the great things we will accomplish together in the months and years ahead.

I welcome the opportunity to connect with you, your family and neighbors. Please feel free to reach out to my office to help keep my office updated to happenings in our community or if you have any questions, suggestions or concerns by phone 216-664-2908 or email at showse@clevelandcitycouncil.org.

Cleveland Commission on Black Women and Girls

Legislation was passed on June 6, 2022 by Cleveland City Council to create the commission, to be made up of 14 appointees with different backgrounds and experiences. The commission will be able to recommend programs, policies and legislation aimed at improving the quality of life of Black women and girls in Cleveland. Councilwomen Stephanie Howse and Deborah Gray, who sponsored the legislation, want to keep those interested informed on the process. The next step is appointing members.

If you're interested in joining this commission, please visit <https://bit.ly/3yuiKOe> for eligibility requirements and to apply. The deadline to submit applications is Wednesday, August 3, 2022.



Legislation creating the Commission on Black Women and Girls was sponsored by Councilwoman Stephanie Howse and Councilwoman Deborah Gray.. PHOTO CREDIT: Louie Moore

Programs and News from Our Community Development Corporations



Famicos Foundation
famicos.org
216-791-6476

NEON Health Free Vaccine Clinics

Covid-19 vaccines. Appointments are preferred (216-231-7700 ext. 2) but walk-ins are welcome.

When: Every Wednesday, 9:00 am - 1:00 pm

Where: Hough Multipurpose Center, 8555 Hough Ave

Ward 7 Community Movie Nights

Free event!

When: Friday, July 29; Friday, August 26; movies begin at 7:00 pm

Where: The historical League Park, 6601 Lexington Ave



MidTown Cleveland, Inc.
midtowncleveland.org
216-391-5080

The ArtBox

A mobile library where you can borrow and return library books.

When: Fridays, 2:00 - 6:00 pm; Saturdays, 10:00 am-6:00 pm

Where: The Cleveland Public Library. For more events visit asiatowncleveland.org.

Payne Avenue Project

You may be seeing some new paint along Payne Avenue! This is a temporary transformation to pilot bike lanes, painted

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Mayor's Administration, Neighborhood CDC's Tour Ward 7



On Tuesday, May 24th, Councilwoman Howse lead members of Mayor Justin Bibb's Administration and her Community Developments Corporations – Famicos, Midtown, St. Clair-Superior, and Campus District on a tour of Ward 7. They explored the new developments happening throughout community as well as sites that are in need of helping the administration learn more about happenings in Ward 7 and connecting with residents and staff who have either faced complications or would like more attention to their needs.



FREE! Family Friendly! ALL WELCOME!

INGENUITY CLEVELAND St. Clair - Superior Neighborhood
55TH & ST. CLAIR

IGNITE! Neighbor Nights

THIRD THURSDAYS • 5-8PM • APRIL- NOVEMBER
JOIN US! VOLUNTEERS WELCOME!

ART | EXHIBITS | IDEAS

NEIGHBOR NIGHTS TAKES PLACE AT 6 ACROSS FROM GOLDHORNS BREWERY
1361 E 55TH ST, CLEVELAND, OH 44103

ATTENDEES: PARKING AVAILABLE OFF STANARD AVE

HOW TO GET INVOLVED

- Programming Partner:** bring your hands-on intergenerational activity and information about your support of the community and ways folks can get involved!
- Monthly or Seasonal Sponsor:** your contribution can underwrite a single event, or help our whole season take flight with benefits including print, digital, and on-site visibility.
- Volunteer:** Join our dozens of creatives who are making a difference one event at a time.

Volunteer Work

On Saturday April 9, 2022, Councilwoman Howse joined Envision Cleveland and Reach City Church in partnership with The Cuyahoga Land Bank to help pick up litter and trash around the Hough area. In doing so, we are creating a vibrant and brighter neighborhood. For details visit: envisioncleveland.org/renewthecity

Meet Ward 7 Executive Assistant Rajzia Whitley



Hello Ward 7 Residents,
My name is Rajzia Whitley and am your new Executive Assistant to Councilwoman Stephanie Howse.

I am a December 2021 college graduate of The Ohio State University and am thrilled to assist my people within the area. Government affairs and public service have been a strong commitment of mine. Being able to be in environments where I'm able to enforce change and provide better service to my community is one in which I thrive in. I obtained my Bachelor of Arts degree in Political Science to not only learn about the systems and organization of government, but mainly to help advocate for others, especially the disadvantaged demographics.

This position specifically appealed to me, because I'd be able to directly communicate

with residents and work with certain departments to solve problems. People usually think of the government as a body that doesn't exceed or go above what is expected of them. I want to be a part of the small pool that changes that. In doing so, I assist in organizing community meetings, outreach materials, festivals, various events, conducting policy and issues research, preparing communication correspondence, while also fulfilling resident requests outside of that as my main priority. **Our office's main goal is to reduce the barriers in government services by finding the answers of questions asked by community members.**

I look forward to meeting with more of you and creating more opportunities to improve our community and the wellbeing of our constituents. Please feel free to reach me through phone 216-664-2908 or email at rwhitley@clevelandcitycouncil.org.

Ward 7 Community Meeting HIGHLIGHT

On Saturday April 16, 2022, Ward 7 residents had the great opportunity to discuss important issues with Councilwoman Howse, as well as exchange ideas and solutions with Mayor Justin Bibb.

UPCOMING COMMUNITY MEETINGS 2022

WHAT ARE THEY:

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

HOW TO ATTEND:

Residents can also attend meetings in-person. *See the list at right.*

Meetings are streamed on Facebook Live: [Facebook.com/CWStephanieHowse](https://www.facebook.com/CWStephanieHowse)



OFFICE HOURS

FOR COUNCILWOMAN STEPHANIE D. HOWSE

Office hours will allow Ward 7 residents and stakeholders to talk with Councilwoman Howse in-person on various topics that they deem to be valuable information, concerns, or questions.

- Thur., July 14** | 1 - 3 pm @ Addison Branch Library
6901 Superior Ave
- Thur., July 21** | 4 - 6 pm Ignite! Neighbor Nights
1361 E 55th St
- Thur., Aug 4** | 10 am - 12 pm @ Hough Library Branch
1566 Crawford Rd
- Tue., Aug 23** | 9 - 11 am @ Cafe Phix
6815 Euclid Ave
- Tue., Aug 30** | 5 - 7 pm @ Dave's Market & Eatery
1929 E. 61st St

Walk AND Talk

with Councilwoman Stephanie Howse

Walk and Talks will be a way for residents and Councilwoman Howse to walk in Ward 7 neighborhoods. This gives both parties a chance to visually see what work needs to be improved or implemented into the city to develop a more vibrant community. It's similar to office hours, but residents will be walking instead, building a more personal connection.

- Wednesday, August 3**
2 - 4 pm @ Carrie Cain Park
7915 Sowinski Ave
- Wednesday, August 24**
5-7 pm @ Sterling Recreation Center Park
1380 E 32nd St
- Wednesday, August 31**
2-4 pm @ Fannie Lewis Community Park
6901 Lexington Ave

Recycle Cleveland Program Restarting Guidelines:

- Your address must be enrolled in the City of Cleveland's recycling program to participate.
- If you've already enrolled, don't worry. If you haven't, please go to clerecycles.com or call 216-664-3030 to enroll by July 31st.**
- Households are mailed a list of recyclable items, and other educational information after enrollment.
- Recycle only the materials on the City's list. View list at: www.sustainablecleveland.org/recycling
- All materials for recycling must be inside the blue recycling cart (none outside of cart)
- Carts may be placed curbside for collection weekly, between noon the day before collection and 8:00 am on collection day.
- For residents who chose not to opt-in, the blue carts will be picked up in the fall.



FOR MORE INFORMATION VISIT:
www.sustainablecleveland.org/recycling

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT CORPORATIONS CONTINUED

crosswalks, and painted curb extensions. This project was created by a grassroots group called People's Streets with a vision to shape streets that better serve people. We envision creating connections between diverse neighborhoods, safer streets for all ages, races, and modes of travel, and welcoming places where people can embrace their full humanities. Our streets have been designed to hold a much higher traffic flow than they receive, and decorated crosswalks and curb

St Clair Superior Development
stdclairsuperior.org
216-881-0644

Meet Jeremy Taylor, SCSDC's New Executive Director

Jeremy Taylor is a visionary leader with almost six years of experience serving Cleveland neighborhoods as the Director of Community Involvement of Northwest Neighborhoods CDC, formerly known as Detroit Shoreway Community Development Organization. During his time there, he strove to be innovative in approaching issues and inequalities inherent in large cities. Jeremy is a resident of Ward 7, residing in the St. Clair Superior neighborhood, and prior to permanently laying his roots here through homeownership, he lived with his parents and older brother in the historical Hough Neighborhood. His family has lived there for over 17 years and is active civically in the community. He is a proud alumnus of Central State University, where he holds a bachelor's



extensions can help slow traffic and create safer spaces for people crossing the street.

Pop-up Park at E. 33rd and Payne Avenue AsiaTown is hosting a temporary pop-up park. This is a pilot to provide a public gathering space to the neighborhood. All are welcome to gather during daylight hours at picnic tables, to bring games to play, or to dance and exercise. **When:** This summer from June through October **Where:** 3236 Payne Avenue For details and more events visit asiatowncleveland.org.

degree in Political Science. Jeremy is humbled and excited by the opportunity to now serve the neighborhood he holds dear and calls home. In his spare time, he likes to explore the Cleveland MetroParks, ride his bicycle on Cleveland's streets, golf, write and read.

Community Zoom Series
The St. Clair Superior Community Zoom Series is designed to build relationships between our residents, community partners and more in efforts to strengthen the community through available resources, educational forums, and interactive activities. For details on the next meeting call 216-881-0644.

Eaton Days of Caring
"The DEEP Clean" residents and business owners can join us as we collaborate with Eaton on a deep clean in our service area. The community can also leave unwanted tires to be disposed of at The St. Clair Plaza 6321 St. Clair Avenue. For details call 216-881-0644. **When:** August 10 & 11

Resurfacing Update
The Hamilton Ave Resurfacing Project is nearing completion. This much needed project began early May and is projected to be finished July 2022.



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BASEBALL HERITAGE MUSEUM PRESENTS
MOVIE NIGHTS AT LEAGUE PARK
Dates:
 Friday, July 29 • 7:00 pm
 Encanto
 Friday, Aug. 26 • 7:00 pm
 The Sandlot

Food and beverages will be available
 Bring a lawn chair, seats will be available
INFO@baseballheritagemuseum.org

HOUGH RESIDENTS
 Be a Part of Building the Future of Hough

HOUGH COMMUNITY NEEDS ASSESSMENT SURVEY
 WEEKLY RAFFLES FOR PARTICIPATING

SCAN THE CODE AND TAKE THE NEEDS ASSESSMENT SURVEY

OR USE THE LINK:
<https://bit.ly/3sgfwRQ>
 OR CALL 833-792-2410 FOR PERSONAL ASSISTANCE

Councilwoman Stephanie Howse

WALK ON Wednesdays THIS SUMMER

with the Cleveland Department of Aging



July 20, 2022 - 9:30 am at League Park

6601 Lexington Ave

The Cleveland Department of Aging is sponsoring outside walks in various neighborhoods this summer. These walks are at your own pace but with the support of others. Center for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) protocols for safety will be followed. **All participants will receive a Senior Walk t-shirt and a Resource bag.** Visit www.clevelandohio.gov/aging for details.

TO REGISTER, contact the Department of Aging at 216-664-4383. By registering ahead of time, you will be notified if the walk is canceled due to inclement weather.

Catholic Charities
Fatima Family Center
 DIOCESE OF CLEVELAND

2022 SUMMER CONCERT SERIES

Live Performances by Roots of American Music

This is a family-friendly event will be held at Fatima Family Center, 6600 Lexington Avenue.

MAKE A RESERVATION! Reservations required for food by calling the Fatima Family Center in advance (216-391-0505). **Don't want food?** No need to call, just come on over!

IT'S A PARKING LOT PARTY! Bring your lawn chair & enjoy the show, or watch from your car!

Food provided by Onix "Good Luck Truck"



Every other Thursday from 5:30 - 7 pm

JULY 14 ■ JULY 28

AUG 11 ■ AUG 25

SEPT 8 ■ SEPT 22

THE ORG CLE PRESENTS THE 5TH ANNUAL GREEK SOFTBALL CLASSIC SPONSORED THE CLEVELAND COCHRAN FIRM

THE ORG CLE
 THE FIFTH ANNUAL
GREEK SOFTBALL Classic

SUNDAY JULY 31ST, 2022 | 2PM

CLEVELAND'S HISTORIC
League Park
 6601 LEXINGTON AVE, CLEVELAND, OH 44103

SPONSORED BY

 THE COCHRAN FIRM

EACH GAME WILL BE PLAYED IN 5 INNINGS
WINNER ADVANCE TO CHAMPIONS GAME
 SILENT AUCTION | FACE PAINTING | DOOR PRIZES
 50/50 RAFFLE | FOOD TRUCKS | LIVE DJ

Are you looking for a job?
 Do you have significant legal barriers to employment?
 We can help!

JOIN US FOR THE
Fourth Annual BREAKING DOWN BARRIERS HIRING EVENT

**Friday, July 15, 2022
 10 a.m. – 2 p.m.**

Hough Center
 6000 Hough Ave.
 Cleveland, Ohio 44103

Free parking | RTA Accessible

Free bus tickets while supplies last.

Event will feature:
Champion employers offering on-site interviews
Community resources, including assistance with resumes and other job-specific training, help obtaining a computer, and additional resources that will benefit the potential job seeker

Call 216-881-5440 for more information.

