



# Scenes & Sounds of 7

Summer 2023 Edition / Councilwoman Stephanie D. Howse / [www.clevelandcitycouncil.org/ward-7](http://www.clevelandcitycouncil.org/ward-7)



## A Word from Councilwoman Stephanie D. Howse

Greetings Ward 7 Residents,

Summer is here! Summer is the perfect time to be outside and gather with neighbors. I know many of our residents ask for things to do within our community and ways that they can be involved. Within this newsletter, you will find summer festivals and community events occurring in various parts of our Ward 7 neighborhoods that you and your family can participate in. I am very excited for the return of our New Day in Hough Festival taking place on Saturday, August 5 at Thurgood Marshall Recreation Center. Please know that your support of our community events is always greatly appreciated, whether it's volunteering, donating resources, or participating in the festivities. I look forward to seeing your beautiful faces this summer. Feel free to reach out to my office, if my office can be of service to you.

Yours In Service,

Councilwoman Stephanie D. Howse

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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 Councilmember. Children are always welcome!



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

**Saturday, August 5 at Noon**  
Ward 7 Community Festival  
Thurgood Marshall Recreation Center  
8611 Hough Ave, Cleveland, OH 44106

**Thursday, September 28 at 6 p.m.**  
East Professional Center  
1349 E 79th St, Cleveland, OH 44103

**Tuesday, October 24 at 6 p.m.**  
Promise Academy  
1701 E 13th St, Cleveland, OH 44114

**Thursday, November 16 from 10 a.m. - 1 p.m.**  
Holiday Food Giveaway Hough Multipurpose Building  
8555 Hough Ave, Cleveland, OH 44106  
*Volunteers Needed*

**Friday, December 8 at 6 p.m.**  
Ward 7 Community Holiday Party  
Wade Park School  
7600 Wade Park Ave, Cleveland, OH 44103  
*Volunteers Needed*

### Community Drop-In Hours

**Ingenuity: Ignite Neighborhood Nights**  
Thursday, July 20, 5 p.m. - 7 p.m.  
St. Clair Plaza - 6321 St. Clair Ave

**Cleveland Public Library ArtBox**  
Friday, August 18, 2 p.m. - 4 p.m.  
AsiaTown's Pop-up Park - 3236 Payne Ave

**Walnut Wednesday at Perk Plaza**  
Wednesday, July 26, 2023, 11:30 a.m. - 1:30 p.m.  
1717 E. 12th St, Cleveland, OH 44114

**Summer Concert Series at Fatima Family Center**  
Thursday, August 24, 2023, 5:30 p.m. - 7 p.m.  
6600 Lexington Ave, Cleveland, OH 44103

## Farewell Ward 7 Executive Assistant Rajzia Whitley



As you all may or may not know, Ms. Rajzia Whitley will sadly be leaving us this month to pursue higher education at Cleveland State University College of Law. For the past 18 months of getting to know Ms. Whitley, I can attest to her strengths, qualities, and character as a professional within our legislative branch of government.

Ms. Whitley has distinguished herself by exemplifying great leadership skills through writing letters of support for city development projects, preparing communication correspondence, hosting and organizing community drop ins and stakeholder meetings, leading tours, serving poll workers, filling in for me with meetings, arranging expungement clinics, and jobs fairs, providing instant technical support, screening various applicants, supervising interns, canvassing and providing outreach in low income neighborhoods, organizing holiday food distribution and more. More notably, our office will miss the positive impression and attitude that she has left on the residents of the community.

If you are interested in applying for the Ward 7 Executive Assistant position, please contact Councilwoman Howse via phone at 216-664-2908 or email at [showse@clevelandcitycouncil.org](mailto:showse@clevelandcitycouncil.org)



# Summer Festivals

**JULY 15**  
11:00 AM

**MIDTOWN**

**OPENING DAY**

NEIGHBORHOOD FESTIVAL & BLOCK PARTY

IN PARTNERSHIP WITH  
**CLEVELAND**  
Foundation

E. 66TH ST • MAGNET • CLEVELAND PUBLIC LIBRARY HOUGH BRANCH • CHILDREN'S MUSEUM OF CLEVELAND • DUNHAM TAVERN  
LEO'S HERITAGE WALK STARTING AT E. 75TH ST

[WWW.MIDTOWNCLEVELAND.ORG/OPENINGDAY](http://WWW.MIDTOWNCLEVELAND.ORG/OPENINGDAY)

**Fatima Family Center**  
Celebrating 50 Years

**BLOCK PARTY**

FRIDAY, JULY 28, 2023 | 11 AM - 9 PM

**Fatima Family Center**  
6600 Lexington Ave, Cleveland, Ohio 44103

*Activities\* Include:*

- Live Music & Entertainment, including DJ Phatty Banks
- Baseball Game at League Park
- Raffle & Prizes
- Pop-Up Roller Skating Rink
- Games; Family Friendly Fun
- Community Resources and Information
- Free Book & Toy Distribution from CPL Hough Branch
- Food Trucks and Vendors
- Combined Gospel Choir and more!

*Eucharistic Revival Concert and Mass @ 7 PM*

The Most Reverend Edward C. Malesic, Bishop of Cleveland, Main Celebrant

Reverend Oscar J. Pratt, Archdiocese of Boston, Homilist

Music by the Diocesan Gospel Choir

\*Activities to take place at League Park, Fatima Lewis Park & Lexington Ave. from East 66 to 70th.

Scan for more info!

[cdecodc.org/fatima](http://cdecodc.org/fatima) | Questions? Call us at (216) 391-0505.

**A NEW DAY in HOUGH**

Ward 7 Councilwoman  
**Stephanie D. Howse**

**Saturday, August 5, 2023**

**Senior Breakfast**  
10 a.m. - 12 p.m.

**Festival**  
12 p.m. - 6 p.m.

**Thurgood Marshall Recreation Center**  
8611 Hough Ave, Cleveland, OH 44106

Face Painting | Game Truck | Skating  
Tug of War | 3 Legged Races | Cornhole  
Live Music | Poetry | Spoken Word  
Line Dancing | Food Trucks | FREE Ice Cream

**Vendor Registration**

**Volunteer Registration**

[WWW.FAMICOSFOUNDATION.ORG](http://WWW.FAMICOSFOUNDATION.ORG)

# Business and Job Support

**Helping MINORITY BUSINESSES Gain a Majority Share**

**FIND THE RIGHT GRANT TO REACH YOUR GOALS**

The Northeast Ohio Business Growth Compass

Scan to find out what programs are available to help your business grow.

With Support From **COSE**

**Need Capital for Your Small Business?**

**"GROW U"**

An accelerator program for small, entrepreneurial ventures: The program offers one-on-one financial coaching, business development services, as well as access to capital. The program supports businesses to GROW from early-stage capacity to "scale-up" delivery.

**FEATURES**

- Low Interest Loans From \$50,000 to \$250,000 (1-5 year terms)
- Small Grant Opportunities
- One-on-One Capital Readiness Coaching
- Referrals & Networks

**Eligibility**

- Cuyahoga County Based Business
- Less Than \$1,000,000 Annual Revenue
- At Least Three Years of Business Operations

**Permissible use of funds**

- Facility Acquisition & Improvements
- Equipment Purchase
- Working Capital

**Contact for Info:**

**JEREMIAH TRIPLETT SR.**  
Manager of Small Business Assistance  
216-484-4321  
[jtriplett@clevelandnp.org](mailto:jtriplett@clevelandnp.org)

**Village Capital**

A subsidiary of  
Cleveland Neighborhood Progress

Ward 7 Councilwoman  
**Stephanie D. Howse**

**famicos FOUNDATION**

**CHASE**

Famicos partnered with CHASE Bank presents:

**Business Workshop Series**

- June 8th Session 1 – Business 201
- June 22nd Session 2 – Navigating Cash Flow
- July 6th Session 3 – Power Of Capital
- July 20th or 27th Session 4 – Marketing in a Digital World

**Famicos**  
1325 Ansel Rd.  
Cleveland, OH 44106

**5 p.m. - 6:30 p.m.**

**You may register here:**  
<https://airtable.com/shrysoa3OEVSmb5Ht>

**famicos FOUNDATION**

**We're Hiring!!!**

**Ward 7 Community Engagement Builder & Strategist**

[www.famicos.org/careers](http://www.famicos.org/careers)

**MIDTOWN**

**Hey, we're Hiring**

**Director of Community Engagement & Director of Real Estate**

[www.midtowncleveland.org/careers/](http://www.midtowncleveland.org/careers/)

**stClair Superior**  
DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION

**We are hiring!**

**Community Engagement Specialist**

[www.stclairsuperior.org/about-us/#careers](http://www.stclairsuperior.org/about-us/#careers)

The deadline to apply for this position is  
Friday, July 21, 2023



# Family Events

**FREE! Family Friendly!**

INGENUITY CLEVELAND PRESENTS

## IGNITE! Neighbor Nights

ST. CLAIR PLAZA  
6321 ST. CLAIR AVE  
St. Clair - Superior

Neighbor Nights is a 100 monthly event celebrating our neighborhood! We are a platform for creative activities plus ongoing conversation and collaboration, connecting residents and organizations with the goal of strengthening (& igniting!) our community one event at a time.

Join Us TODAY!

stClair Superior Ohio Arts Council ...and you?

NEIGHBOR NIGHTS TAKES PLACE AT THE ST. CLAIR PLAZA (6321 ST. CLAIR AVE) DIRECTLY EAST OF THE SLOVENIAN NATIONAL HOME AND ACROSS THE STREET FROM THE EJ KOVACIC REC CENTER

ATTENDEES: PARKING AVAILABLE OFF E 84TH STREET

April 20	Sweet Streets	Placemaking & Public Art "Plaza Grand Opening!"
May 18	Feelin' Fresh	Farming, Food & Gardening Fun!
June 15	Healthy Play	Outdoor Play & Activities
July 20	Power of Words	Storytelling, Social Justice & Cultural Power
August 17	Exploring Entrepreneurship	Conversations, Resources & Reaching Digital Equity!
Sep 22-24	Ingenuityfest!	Join us for Ingenuity Fest 2023!

**HOW TO GET INVOLVED:**

- Programming Partner:** Come exhibit with your hands-on intergenerational activity, information about your work in the community and opportunities to get involved!
- Stakeholder:** Learn about neighborhood initiatives and bring your knowledge & ideas!
- Volunteer or Attend:** Join us or lend a hand at one or all of our 2023 Neighbor Nights!

## 2023 SUMMER CONCERT SERIES

Live Performances by Roots of American Music

Food provided by **Onix** "Good Luck Truck"

Every other Thursday from 5:30-7 pm

**JUNE 22**

**JULY 6**

**JULY 20**

**AUGUST 10**

**AUGUST 24**

**SEPTEMBER 7**

**MAKE A RESERVATION!**  
Reservations required for food by calling the Fatima Family Center in advance. 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! This is a family-friendly event!  
6600 Lexington Ave.  
Cleveland, OH 44103

6600 Lexington Ave. Cleveland, OH 44103 | (216) 391-0505 | [ccdocle.org](http://ccdocle.org)

## FREE PLAY EVENT!

FOR CENTRAL, ASIATOWN & MIDTOWN FAMILIES

THE CHILDREN'S MUSEUM OF CLEVELAND

3813 EUCLID AVE. CLEVELAND, OH

Children's Museum CLEVELAND

Explore our hands-on exhibits for 2 hours of open play! Participating families living in Central, AsiaTown, and MidTown will also receive a **FREE MEMBERSHIP!**

PRESENTED WITH SUPPORT FROM:

LEARN MORE AT: [CMCLEVELAND.ORG/PLAYDAY](http://CMCLEVELAND.ORG/PLAYDAY)

SATURDAY, JULY 15TH  
2-4 PM

THE ORG CLE PRESENTS

THE COCHRAN FIRM CLEVELAND

THE SIXTH ANNUAL

## GREEK SOFTBALL CLASSIC

SUN JULY 30TH  
3P - 8P

CLEVELAND'S HISTORIC LEAGUE PARK  
6601 LEXINGTON AVE.  
CLEVELAND, OH 44103

EACH GAME WILL BE PLAYED IN FIVE INNINGS  
**WINNERS ADVANCE TO CHAMPIONS GAME**

SILENT AUCTION | FACE PAINTING | DOOR PRIZES | 50/50 RAFFLE | FOOD TRUCKS | LIVE DJ

## Famicos Foundation MOBILE FOOD PANTRY

Friday May 26,  
Friday June 30,  
Friday July 28,  
Friday August 25  
Friday September 30  
2:00pm-4:00pm  
Hough Multipurpose Center  
8555 Hough Ave 2nd Floor, Cleveland, OH 44106

In Partnership with Wade Park Elementary, Daniel E. Morgan School, Wilson School and Mary B. Martin

## DRIVERS LICENSE SUSPENDED?

ATTEND  
DRIVERS LICENSE  
REINSTATEMENT CLINIC  
East Professional Center  
1349 E 79th St, Cleveland, OH 44103  
Thursday July 13, 2023  
10 am - 2 pm

Sponsored by: The Cleveland Municipal Court and Ward 7, City of Cleveland in partnership with The Ohio Bureau of Motor Vehicles.

Visit [HelpGetMyLicenseBack.com](http://HelpGetMyLicenseBack.com)

THE CLEVELAND DIVISION OF FIRE & METRO HEALTH present an

## ICE CREAM SOCIAL

Saturday, July 29  
11am - 3pm  
Fire Station 22  
7300 Superior Ave

Ice Cream Sponsored by

- Meet the fire fighters
- Tour the station
- Play time with adoptable dogs
- Blood pressure screenings

**FREE FOOD and delicious ice cream!**



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## Ward 7 Advisory Committee

Please join our Ward 7 Advisory Committee! This will be a way for individual citizens to share their opinions and perspectives, study issues, and develop recommendations pertaining to our office in a small group setting. Apply for Advisory Committee by calling (216) 664-2908 or email [showse@clevelandcitycouncil.org](mailto:showse@clevelandcitycouncil.org).

## Important Numbers



- EMS, Fire & Police Emergency: 911
- 24 Hour Suicide and Crisis Hotline: 988
- All City Services: 311
  - (Be sure to get a Reference number to track any complaints)
- Non-Emergency Calls: (216) 621 - 1234



Michael Trivisonno, Manager at Kovacic Recreation Center, left our Ward last month but we wish him the best on his future endeavors. I acknowledge Mr. Trivisonno for the work that he has done for this community and the impact he has had on the youth and staff that attend Kovacic.

## IMPORTANT SPECIAL ELECTION DATES

<b>July 10th</b>	Voter Registration Deadline 9:00PM
<b>Early Voting Begins</b> (Absentee & Early in-person)	<b>July 11th</b>
<b>August 1st</b>	Absentee Ballot Application Deadline 8:30PM
<b>Absentee Ballot U.S. Postmark Deadline</b>	<b>August 7th</b>
<b>August 8th</b>	Special Election 6:30AM - 7:30PM

CUYAHOGA COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS 2925 Euclid Ave. | Cleveland, OH | 44115  
216-443-VOTE (8683) | [www.443vote.us](http://www.443vote.us)

IMPORTANT ANNOUNCEMENT

*Special Election*

**TUESDAY  
AUGUST 8TH**

CUYAHOGA COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS

## Ward 7 Polling Location *CHANGES*:

Precincts 7A, 7C & 7V have **MOVED** and will VOTE at  
Asia Town Center  
3820 Superior Ave.  
Cleveland, OH 44103

Precinct 7J has **MOVED** and will VOTE at  
St. Clair Place  
1380 E. 13th St.  
Cleveland, OH 44114

Precincts 7S & 7T have **MOVED** and will VOTE at  
MAGNET Consulting  
1800 E. 63rd St.  
Cleveland, OH 44103