

CLEMENT KERN GARDENS RESIDENT NEWSLETTER

February 2024

Black History.

WE HAVE A STORY TO TELL!



Falling In Love with BLACK History!

**Little known Black History Fact:
The One Cent Savings Bank
Nashville, Tennessee**

Now called Citizens Bank, is the oldest continuously operating African American bank in the country. Richard H. Boyd and other African American businessmen created the bank in 1904 to serve the needs of their community.

CKG Management Office - **RECERTIFICATION**

Residents who are within 30 days of their recertification date, contact the office to verify your status and make sure you submit all documents to the CKG Management Office.

You may visit during office hours or contact Amber at 313-965-5650.
Office hours: 8AM - 5PM - Monday - Friday
Office is closed during lunch hour- 12-1pm

Mark Your Calendars

- 1) **First Friday - Feb. 2nd, 9am-12:00pm @ CKG Management Office.** Come learn about relocation plans firsthand and ask any questions you may have about the move.
- 2) **Plant Based EatZ - Feb. 7th & 21st, 2-3:30pm @ Corktown Health (1726 Howard St).** You will be provided with fresh vegetables to prepare your own delicious meals.
- 3) **PNC Mobile - TBD @ across from CKG Management Office.** More details coming soon.
- 4) **Woman Empowerment Series: Part 15, Feb. 8th, 4:30-6:00pm @ TCB (1842 Michigan Ave.).** Guest Speaker: Tamika Davis Shelton
- 5) **Seniors of CKG - Feb. 14th, 1-2pm @ CKG Management Office - HAPPY VALENTINES DAY!**
- 6) **TCB House Party - Game Night - Feb.23rd, 5-7:30pm @ TCB (1842 Michigan Ave.) ALL ARE WELCOME!**
- 7) **Food Distribution - Feb. 26th, 1-2pm @ CKG Management Office.**
- 8) **Youth Summer Job: Employer Panel - Feb.26th, 3:30-5:00pm @ CKG under the heated tent. GET READY FOR SUMMER EMPLOYMENT!**
- 9) **Tenant Council Meeting - Feb. 27th, 4-6pm @ CKG under the heated tent! Loss and Grief Conversation with FOG.**
- 10) **Financial Empowerment - Feb. 27th, @ 5:30-7pm (1211 Trumbull).** Learn how to take charge of your money.
- 11) **Focus Hope Distribution for Seniors - Feb. 27th @ CKG**
- 12) **Golden Girls Mentoring - Feb. 29th, 4:30-6pm @ TCB (1842 Michigan Ave.)** Please bring your girls to participate in the many female youth mentoring activities!



THE COMMUNITY BUILDERS

Our Door To Yours (ODTY)
Brings you:
**YOUR HOMEOWNERSHIP DREAM,
YOUR JOURNEY,
OUR PARTNERSHIP**

Let us provide the support & tools you need.

Drop-In Office Hours:
Thursday 12:30-2pm
Call Christina:
313-484-4709

- Partners to Support Financial Empowerment
- Increase Your Credit
- Saving / Checking Account

Rent Reporting For Credit Building
Program in partnership with ESUSU

IMS
ACD

ESUSU

- Learn about the rent reporting program.
- Building your credit score has never been so easy.
- Call to schedule a personalized time that works for you.

Starting in February!

Health Control!

Blood Pressure Control
Workshop #1: Virtual/Zoom
Enroll: <https://nkfm.org/program-article/hbp-control/>

Diabetes Prevention
Take Assessment & learn to prevent diabetes:
<https://readyssetprevent.org/#prevent%20>

Better Choices, Better Health® (BCBH)
Feel Better in 6 Weeks!
Register: <https://eligibility-nkfm.selfmanage.org/>

Financial Empowerment & Budgeting Workshops

- Learn to manage your money.
- Receive individualized support.
- Monthly workshops available.

Next workshop on February 27th!

FINANCIAL EMPOWERMENT WORKSHOPS:
Investing in Your Future

COME AND LEARN HOW TO TAKE CHARGE OF YOUR OWN FINANCES AND REACH YOUR FINANCIAL GOALS

NEXT SESSIONS:
January 23: Setting Financial Goals
February 27: Budgeting & Banking Services

Classes are on **Tuesday** Evenings from 5:30pm - 7:00pm

LOCATION: 1211 Trumbull St., Detroit, MI 48216

For more info, contact Juan Alfaro at (313) 967-4880 or via Email at jalfaro@dhd1.org

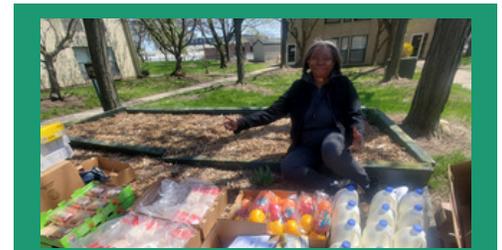
Your Vote is Your Voice

If you have a Michigan driver's license or state ID, you can register to vote online. Start the process at:

[MI.gov/Vote](https://mi.gov/vote)

Resident Resources

Are you going through more food than normal these days?



Food Distribution is held monthly on the last Friday of the month in front of the Management Office from 1- 3pm. Please text the CL Service Coordinators to be added to the list for pick up @ 313.484.4702. You can also sign up to join the next **Cooking Matters** Session, by texting the Education & Resource Manager @ 313.484.4709. (see flyer below)

Next Distribution - Feb. 25th

Summer Youth Job

Do you need a job during the summer? Come meet and learn from employers. Bring all your questions on Monday, Feb. 26th @ 3:30-5pm.

BRING A FRIEND!



WHERE HEALTH MEETS HAPPINESS



Plant Based Eatz

In the Menu: Sushi 101 & Cheesecake
Wednesday, Feb. 7th | 2-3:30pm



Plant Based Eatz

In the Menu: Pulled Jerk Tacos
Wednesday, Feb. 7th | 2-3:30pm
Call "Ta" @ 313- 676-0797



Family Success Plans Are Happening Now!

Sign Up TODAY!

Are you ready to set goals for you and your family? If so, the time is NOW to reach out to the Community Life Service Coordinators, Melinda Smith & Tracey Rucker! They are ready to help you get connected to the tools and resources to CRUSH the GOALS you set for you & your family.

Call 313.653.4445 TODAY to get CONNECTED!

THE COMMUNITY BUILDERS



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United Community Housing Coalition

Relocation Process!



BLDG #	STREET ADDRESS
1	1783-1795
2	1771-1781
3	1731-1767
4	1701-1727
5	1681-1695
6	1665-1679
7	1661-1
8	1645-1659
9	1611-1619
10	1571-1589
11	1531-1567
12	1511-1527



Mark Your Calendars: We are extremely excited to announce the anticipated completion of Left Field is dated for the end of May. Please share in this excitement with the ACD and IMS staff at their 1st Friday meetings, where you will learn more about the upcoming units and the relocation experience. Residents in Buildings 11 and 12 (units 1511-1567) will have the first opportunity to transition over to Left Field, shortly after completion. As we move closer to the completion of Left Field, please keep a look out for the next round of correspondence from the IMS/TCB-CL staff.

What important information should I know about the relocation process?

All Clement Kern Gardens residents will receive a notice 6 months and again 90 days before the anticipated relocation date. The notices will be phased by building based on the demolition schedule. IMS will conduct 1-on-1 in-person meetings with all residents with the purpose of communicating the details of the moving process and future opportunities for residency. No one is required to move at this time.

What should I do if I live in units 1511-1567 (Buildings 11 & 12)?

- Keep an eye out for a notification to arrive to your door this month;
- Read the notice carefully, reach out with questions, sign and return the receipt to IMS;

What should I do if I live in Buildings 1571-1795 (Buildings 1-10)?

- Keep an eye out for upcoming communication from IMS, TCB-CL and UCHC.
- Continue to enjoy the rest of your New Year!

Stay Connected: Your feedback is valuable to us! If you have any questions or specific concerns, please don't hesitate to reach out to our dedicated relocation support team. We are here to make this transition as smooth as possible for you. We appreciate your understanding and engagement during this exciting chapter for our community.

How To Stay Connected:

- In person on the 1st Friday of every month at the CKG office from 9am-12pm
- By email: choicerelocation@imsteam.net
- By phone: 313-650-6850

January Tenant Council Meeting Recap!



United Community Housing Coalition (UCHC) hosted the CKG January Tenant Council meeting on January 29th in collaboration with Corktown Health, City of Detroit Health Department, and Wayne State University. The meeting started at 4:00pm with refreshments and food provided by UCHC. The event focused on health and vaccination awareness.

As residents signed in, they were given the option to wait in line for a Covid-19 vaccine and/or a Flu shot. While people got their shots, Mary Mackool, a nurse from Corktown Health spoke about the importance of getting a Covid-19 and Flu shot. Getting vaccinated means protecting yourself from getting sick, as well as your family and friends. Mary said people can get their Covid or Flu shots at any point of the year. You do not have to wait for the winter months. You can go to Corktown Health, located at 1726 Howard St, for walk-in vaccine service.

The next speaker was Sarah Lenhoff from Wayne State University. Sarah is doing a research study on neighborhood change, and she is looking to schedule interviews with residents of Clement Kern Gardens. She is interested in learning how residents think and feel about the upcoming changes to Corktown. The interviews happen once a year and last 60-90 minutes. For every interview you participate in, you receive \$60. If you are interested, you can contact Sarah at (313) 434-7216 or sarah.lenhoff@wayne.edu.

If you have ideas or want to get involved in the planning process of future tenant council meetings, contact Pablo or Meg below. We hope to see you at next month's tenant council meeting.

For Questions Contact United Community Housing Coalition:

Meg Marotte: 313-261-4709

Pablo Marcos: 313-572-1401

Claudia Sanford: 313-570-0992

The Workforce Advice Column



Connect with the Workforce Specialist! Call her at 313.635-4401 or email her at tanisha.burton.tb@gmail.com to schedule an appointment to learn about employment opportunities, apprenticeship programs, & supportive services designed for you!

Tanisha Burton

ChargerHelp! (New Employment Opportunity) Electric Vehicle Supply Equipment Technician (EVSE) Training Program

Detroiters will learn how to become repair technicians for electric vehicle (EV) charging stations and will become a nationally certified Electric Vehicle Supply Equipment (EVSE) Technician. The 4 to 6 week program is designed to accommodate the schedules of working adults. There are just three requirements to enroll: To learn more about this opportunity visit this link <https://michigancentral.com/chargerhelp>

Calling All Residents...Want to learn about upcoming job opportunities?

1. Call Tanisha Burton: 313-635-4401
2. Visit the Career Center: 9301 Michigan Ave.
3. Request information: 313-484-4709



THE COMMUNITY BUILDERS

WANT A SUMMER JOB?

JOIN US FOR AN INFORMATIONAL SESSION.

- Meet Employers
- Learn Application Process
- Job Training Details
- Q & A Opportunity

REGISTER NOW

Feb. 26, 2024 **3:30 PM - 5:00 PM**

1661 Bagley St.
(across leasing at heated tent) **313.484.4709**

HERITAGE THE WORKS
IMS
Detroit Hispanic Development Corporation
MATRIX
ACD
United Community Housing Coalition
Housing and Rehabilitation Department
DETROIT AT WORK
YOUR JOB SEARCH STARTS HERE

Need support paying rent?
Esusu can help.

Clement Kern Gardens



Rent relief when you need it

Through Esusu, you are eligible to apply for rent relief if you are struggling to make rent. Questions? Reach us at rentsupport@esusu.org.

1. Apply at esusu.com/rent-relief with code **TCB22**
2. Esusu will vet your application and let you know if you're approved.
3. If approved, funds will be disbursed directly to your property manager.
4. Esusu will work with you to set up a repayment plan that works for you.

Scan to apply for rent relief:



About the program:

- 0% interest funds
- 12-month payment plans
- Up to 3 months of rent covered
- We work directly with your property manager

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CLEMENT KERN GARDENS LET'S TALK ABOUT HOUSING

FIRST FRIDAYS

Please join us the first Friday of every month at the Clement Kern Gardens management office.

A member of the development team will be on site to talk with you.

NO APPOINTMENT NEEDED

We encourage you to stop by the office every first Friday of the month between 9 a.m. and 12 p.m.

ASK QUESTIONS ABOUT HOUSING

SHARE CONCERNS WITH THE DEVELOPMENT TEAM

9AM TO 12PM

CALL OR EMAIL FOR MORE INFO

313-881-8150 X129

mike@acdmail.com



JOIN US FOR MICHIGAN CENTRAL

OFFICE HOURS

The following Tuesdays of each month:
Jan 23 • Feb 20 • March 19 • April 16

10AM - 12PM
Michigan Central Information Center
1501 Wabash Street
Detroit, MI 48215

Complimentary beverages by 

Experience new technology.

Learn about upcoming programs, opportunities and events.

Meet the team.



MICHIGAN CENTRAL LE INVITA A NUESTRAS

HORAS DE ATENCION

Los siguientes martes de cada mes:
Enero 23 • Febrero 20 • Marzo 19 • Abril 16

10AM - 12PM
Michigan Central Information Center
1501 Wabash Street
Detroit, MI 48215

Beveridas gratuitas disponibles gracias a 

Experimente con nuevas tecnologías.

Aprenda sobre próximas programas, oportunidades y eventos.

Conozca al equipo.