“We have a powerful potential in our youth, and we must have the courage to change old ideas and practices so that we may direct their power toward good ends.
-- Mary McLeod Bethune

Quick links

- Resident Speed-hump request form
- COVID Emergency Rental Assistance (CERA)
- Math and Reading Tutoring Sign-up
- Senior Meals and Visits
- LEAP Community Assessment
- Bailey Park Free Heart Health Screenings

Calendar of Events

McDougall-Hunt Community Meeting
- Second Saturday of the Month
- Next Meeting: May 08, 11 am
- Dial in: (727) 731-8932
- For additional assistance connecting to the meeting text “Call Me” to the Dial-In number above and you will be called into the conference. Message and data rates may apply.

Side Lot Assistance Day
- Monday May 17, 10 am - 5 pm
- The Hub, 2617 Joseph Campau
- Schedule your appointment at https://calendly.com/d/mkzw-7gsz/mdh-sidelot-assistance-day or text “SIDELOT” to 313-241-5174

Motor City Makeover
- Saturday May 29, 10 am - 12 pm
- St. Aubin Park, corner of St. Aubin & E. Vernor
- To volunteer please contact Octavia at octavia@baileyparkndc.org or (313) 241-6945

Bailey Park Moves: Bike Safety Event
- Saturday May 29, 2 pm - 5 pm; bike ride leaves at 4:45 pm
- The Hub, 2617 Joseph Campau
- Pre-register at bit.ly/bpndcbike or text “BIKE” to 313-241-4697

Bailey Park NDC Health Fair
- Wednesday June 9, 9 am - 3:30 pm
- The Hub, 2617 Joseph Campau

EcoWorks Lead Safe Homes
- Wednesday, June 9, 3 - 4 pm

Coming in June
It’s May, and I want to take the time to recognize that it is also mental health awareness month. This past year has been stressful for many individuals and families. The pandemic has increased depression and anxiety for many. Adults and children are dealing with situations that are stressful and overwhelming. Luckily, there is an increase in people becoming more aware of mental health challenges.

Mental health includes our psychological, emotional and social well-being. Our mental health affects how we think, act, feel and relate to others. Signs and symptoms include: lack of ability to concentrate, sleep problems, feeling sad, depressed, apathetic or worrying excessively.

According to the national council for mental well being

1. 1 in 5 U.S. adults experience mental illness each year.
2. 1 in 20 U.S. adults experience serious mental illness each year.
3. 1 in 6 U.S. youth aged 6-17 experience a mental health disorder each year.
4. 50% of all lifetime mental illness begins by age 14, and 75% by age 24.
5. Suicide is the second leading cause of death among people aged 10-34.

Mental health is important at every stage in life from elementary age students to seniors. Not enough attention has been paid to young children in elementary and middle school who are in crisis. Many seniors suffer from depression, however depression is NOT a normal part of aging. Below are a few steps that you can take on the road to a healthy mental health.

1. Health: Make informed, healthy choices that support physical and emotional well-being.
2. Home: It is important to have a stable and safe place to live.
3. Purpose: Engage in meaningful daily activities, such as a job or school, volunteering, caring for your family, or being creative. Work for independence, income, and resources to participate in society.
4. Community: Build relationships and social networks that provide support.

If you are in need of mental health assistance you can text GO to 741741 to reach a trained crisis counselor through Crisis Text Line. This service is free, confidential and available 24/7. If you do not have health insurance you can contact Team Wellness 888-813-TEAM

"Success is not final, failure is not fatal: it is the courage to continue that counts." - Winston Churchill

In Peace & Love
Katrina Keeby-Watkins
CEO/Founder
BPNDC

The Hub: A place of community

You've heard us talk about it. You've probably driven past it. You may have even come to an event there but what is The Hub exactly? Officially called the Community Resilience Hub but affectionately called The Hub, it is a place where community members can come to access resources and assistance they need.

What is a resilience hub? To be resilient means being able to withstand or recover quickly from difficult situations. As Detroiters we know better than most what it takes to withstand difficulty, but we also know that sometimes it takes some support to do so. The Hub is there to offer that support. At the beginning of the COVID-19 pandemic, Katrina knew that her neighbors needed a place that was stable to offer PPE and other essentials so that they could batten down the hatches to get through. As the situation wears on, the inequalities that are woven into the fabric of society are more and more evident and presenting more and more challenges beyond just getting masks and hand sanitizer. The definition of resilience has to grow to accommodate helping community members build their resilience in other ways as well.

The Hub still has PPE and other essentials available for anyone in need but it is also there to help homeowners acquire their side lots from the Land Bank, or to file for property tax exemptions. As a community member you can use the hub to attend telehealth or any other virtual appointment you may have either on our computer or bring your own device to use our wi-fi. Parents can bring their children for tutoring or to work on a project while they attend an online class, or learn a new job skill. If you need to scan a document to send or digitize a photo to save, the Hub is here to help you do that.

The Hub is also a place for gathering and connecting to your neighbors. We have begun our outdoor events season and have many exciting plans for community events including:

- Side Lot Assistance Day, Monday, May 17th, you can follow this link to schedule your slot https://calendly.com/d/mkzw-7gsz/mdh-sidelot-assistance-day
- Second Saturday STEAM- a drop in program for anyone. We will cover a variety of projects that you can take home or contribute to building and beautifying Bailey Park and McDougall-Hunt
- Juneteenth/Father’s Day Celebration
- Back in the Day Dinner to honor senior residents of McDougall-Hunt, Black Bottom, Paradise Valley, Conant Gardens and also those who served in World War II or the Korean War.

It is important to us to be mindful of COVID protocols for the safety of the community so we ask that you give us a heads up before coming in so you don’t have to wait.
Even as the school year winds down, the learning doesn't end. Sign up now for FREE reading and math interventions from our partners Brilliant Detroit and Math 4 Success. The sessions will be virtual, for now, but accommodations are available at the Hub if your internet access or devices aren't suitable.

To register, please fill out this form and someone will contact you to complete the process.

If you would like to volunteer your time to tutor or if you need assistance in another subject area please contact Amanda amanda@baileyparkndc.org.

FREE Tutoring, Homework Help, College Scholarships and More!

Bike Safety Event
Weather is warm and it's time to get rolling! Bike riding is for all ages. Come learn about bike safety, maintenance and take a roll through the neighborhood.

Saturday, May 29th
2pm - 5pm
2617 Joseph Campau

All leading up to a bike parade through our neighborhood departing at 5 pm.

To preregister visit http://bit.ly/bpndcbike
For more information contact Amanda (313) 241-4697 amanda@baileyparkndc.org

Lifelong learning among lifelong friends. Beginning June 12, every month we will explore a new topic, do some activities, and have some fun! These workshops are for everyone, young and old.

Upcoming topics include:

- The Great Outdoors
- Sound and Color
- Water Water Water
- And more!

In the event of inclement weather, supplies for the day will be available at the Hub and we will move the event online the following weekend.

Do you own your home in the McDougall-Hunt neighborhood?
Is there a Detroit Land Bank owned vacant lot next to your home?
Have you been taking care of that lot?
Have you already applied to purchase a lot and haven't heard anything about your application?

If you answered yes to any of those questions we are holding a side lot assistance day to help residents navigate the process of purchasing their side lots from the Land Bank Authority. If you are ready to expand your land, visit https://calendly.com/d/mkzw-7psz/mdh-sidelot-assistance-day to self schedule your appointment or call/text (313) 241-5174.

Monday, May 17
Call or text (313) 241-5174
to schedule an appointment for assistance
Congratulations to McDougall-Hunt’s own Michael Ashford for winning the mural drawing contest for the Disability Network Wayne County/Detroit Fresh Truck Mobile Market. Mr. Ashford has been an artist since he could hold a crayon. He now specializes in digital art, vibrantly colored abstracts, and landscapes.

The Fresh Truck Mobile Market is a service of the Disability Network of Wayne County/Detroit. It brings fresh food directly to people with disabilities. If you would like to sign up for delivery, or know someone who can benefit visit https://mobilemarket2u.com/contact-us.

Fresh Art and Fresh Food

Motor City Makeover 2021

For the Motor City Makeover we will be adopting St. Aubin park at the corner of St. Aubin and Vernor. We need volunteers to help clean, clear, and beautify this gateway to our neighborhood. 

When: Saturday, May 29th
Where: St. Aubin Park, corner of St. Aubin & E. Vernor
Time: 10 am - 12 pm

This is an outdoor event, but COVID protocols (masks, social distancing) required

Motor City Makeover 365 has evolved over the past 30 years. MCM365 is an annual citywide volunteer cleanup and beautification initiative. As our neighborhoods continue to evolve because of your clean-up efforts, we encourage beautification efforts all year round. For example, getting involved with Earth Day events, flower planting, neighborhood day, anti-litter campaigns, safe routes to schools, or recycling training and events!

If you would like to lend a hand or donate materials or refreshments contact Octavia (313) 241-6945 or email at octavia@baileyparkndc.org.

New Book From Heidelberg Project President

The Heidelberg Project is excited to introduce their new children’s book, Yeret Nutygog, in honor of their 35th anniversary!

Written by HP President/CEO Jenenne Whitfield, the story of Yeret is inspired by the real adventures of Detroit artist and HP founder Tyree Guyton.

Visit the Heidelberg Project website for more exciting details later this month... heidelberg.org

New Book From Heidelberg Project President

JENENNE WHITFIELD

Yeret Nutygog is inspired by the real adventures of Tyree Guyton, internationally acclaimed artist and founder of the Heidelberg Project in Detroit, Michigan. Yeret is the twelve-year-old alter ego of Tyree, who discovers many ways to triumph over his challenges as he explores his wonderful world of making art from trash.

Jenenne Whitfield is the president of the critically acclaimed Heidelberg Project: www.heidelberg.org, in Detroit, MI. Her work with the Heidelberg Project and Tyree Guyton spans six continents, and together they have collected over 27 awards worldwide. For over 27 years, Jenenne has been Tyree’s closest confidant. In the early days of their work, Jenenne often recorded conversations she had with Tyree about his childhood adventures. “As I listened to Tyree, I realized that there were many stories from which children can learn and enjoy. It is my hope that Yeret Nutygog is the first of many adventures to come. “ Tyree and Jenenne are married and live in Detroit.

Special thanks:
To the Heidelberg Project staff for their support
To the Heidelberg Arts and Leadership Academy for their contribution to the study guide
To my grandchildren, Caleb and Jaxson, for their inspiration

Dreams do come true! This story is full of excitement and I believe young children will enjoy reading it as much as I enjoyed living it! — Tyree Guyton.

JENENNE WHITFIELD

To see more photos from the event or to download the family guide visit baileyparkndc.org/
Community Issues and Involvement

McDougall-Hunt Neighborhood Assessment

The McDougall-Hunt Neighborhood Association is conducting a census of neighborhood conditions so they can better locate resources to help residents. We need your help to help us help you more. Please take the time to fill out the survey online or come to the Bailey Park NDC Hub at 2617 Joseph Campau to fill out a print copy. Thank you!

https://forms.gle/hADmqa77PB9q5L16

Traffic Calming in McDougall-Hunt

Traffic calming uses physical design and other measures to improve safety for motorists, pedestrians, and cyclists. It has become a tool to combat speeding and other unsafe behaviors of drivers in the neighborhoods. It aims to encourage safer, more responsible driving and potentially change the behaviors of drivers in the neighborhoods. It aims to improve safety for motorists, pedestrians, and cyclists. It has become a tool to combat speeding and other unsafe behaviors of drivers in the neighborhoods. It aims to encourage safer, more responsible driving and potentially change the behaviors of drivers in the neighborhoods.

What are the advantages of speed humps?

- Speed humps are an effective tool in reducing speeds.
- Most drivers will slow down to avoid jarring their vehicle or choose another route.
- Installation does not require the removal of parking spaces.

Get Involved! Join a Community Work group

To develop a more equitable neighborhood, it is important to have residents at the forefront of the decision-making process. And we are doing this right now. We have several work groups that residents can participate in.

- Open space - Focus on new uses for vacant land at a range of scales, from side lots to large areas of land management, as well as a parks strategy and site-specific projects that promote resilience.
- Mobility - Mobility and transportation recommendations include a range of transportation types, focusing on safer and more welcoming streetscapes throughout the neighborhood, and ideas that support neighborhood identity.
- Residential - focus on support for existing residents and ensuring long-term affordability, while looking toward rehab opportunities.
- Commercial - Commercial recommendations focus on opportunities on periphery corridors to build equity for local property owners, prioritize adaptive reuse and mixed-use development, and support existing businesses.

If you would like to participate in any of these committees, please contact Katrina Watkins at (313) 437-2020.

Alleyway Clean-up

The City of Detroit is taking requests to have alleyways cleaned and cleared, as long as there is someone to maintain it. If you are interested in having your alley added to the City list for cleaning you can fill out the form at http://bit.ly/cleanalley or come to the Hub at 2617 Joseph Campau and a Bailey Park NDC staff member can assist you in submitting your form.

From Our Partners

Michigan Independent Citizens Redistricting Commission Update

In our efforts to best serve all of the communities within our LEAP District, we’ve updated the Resident Resource: Community Needs Assessment. This survey is designed to assess our residents' current needs to best guide and steer our service to the community. Please share the link below with your networks and residents: https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/LEAPresidentneeds

Alleyway Clean-up

You will need:
- Nearest address & cross streets
- Conditions of the alley
- Whether it is used to access homes
- Photos and/or video of the alley
- Plans for the alley including closing it off
- 3 volunteers for maintenance.

Residents may also contract alley maintenance to the Bailey Park Grounds Crew for a fee.

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Michigan Independent Citizens Redistricting Commission Update

Information on how to attend a hearing or participate in public comment (in-person, virtually, or by phone) is listed in each hearing’s meeting notice, posted at Michigan.gov/MICRC in the Meeting Notices and Materials Section approximately one week in advance of meeting start time.

Detroit Public Hearing I

Tuesday, June 15, 2021
Start Time: 6:00 p.m.
The Village Dome at Fellowship Chapel
7707 W. Outer Dr., Detroit, MI 48235

Detroit Public Hearing II

Thursday, June 17, 2021
Start Time: 6:00 p.m.
TCF Center
1 Washington Blvd, Detroit, MI 48226

Zoom registration, public comment sign-up and RSVP information for the Detroit public hearing will be listed in the public meeting notice, posted here, one week in advance of the meeting.
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Find a job and more. Join the Detroit at Work online community. There are programs to help with resume building, interview skills, High School/GED completion, starting your own business and more. Click the link above or call 313-962-WORK (9675). Career Center Hours: Monday-Friday, 8 a.m.-5 p.m.

Are there things you’d like to see in the newsletter or programs you’d like to see offered by Bailey Park NDC? Email our Director of Programs amanda@baileyparkndc.org with your comments and suggestions. Submission deadline is the last Wednesday of the month prior to publication.
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