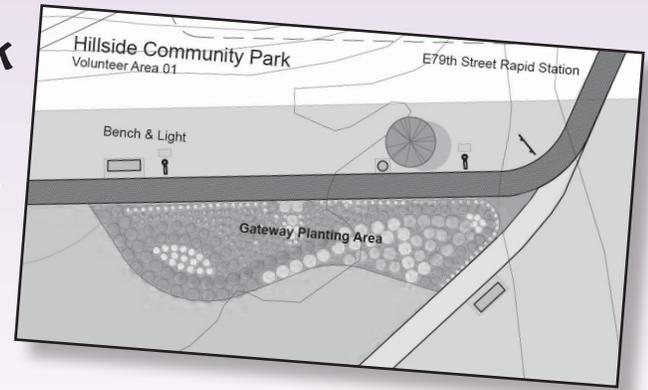


Sow, Seed, and Plant...

the new Hillside Community Park

The new Hillside Community Park is finally underway at the site just off the East 79th Street Blue-Green Rapid station. The first phase of improvements will be completed by the end of August in partnership with the Michael Moore Integrity Construction. The crew will be out making preparations to upgrade the long-standing pathways leading to the station and removing the old equipment from the site. Along the pathways, the project will include new benches, light poles to improve lighting on the site, and landscaping to add color and make it a great place to sit. On Saturday, August 23rd from 10am to noon we invite residents to come out and help Sow, Seed, and Plant the park. It will be a great opportunity to join your neighbors, staff of BBC and other volunteers as we transform this lot for the benefit of the community. If you are interested in learning more about the current plans for the park or participating in the volunteer day on Saturday, August 23rd, please call Erick Rodriguez or Zenobia Lane of BBC at 216.341.1455.



-Erick Rodriguez

Urban Agriculture Exposure Trips Coming this Fall

Have you heard the great news about urban agriculture in the Kinsman neighborhood? For the past five years agriculture [in an urban or city environment] has been among a number of growing trends in Northeast Ohio. Specifically in Cleveland, the Kinsman neighborhood has risen to the top for focusing on healthy living and growing produce locally. From East 55th Street to East 84th Street along Kinsman Road there are over fifty acres of land designated for urban agriculture with a variety of growing techniques such as hydroponics, aquaponics, composting, vermiculture, and traditional in ground growing. Last year, the Kinsman Farm welcomed The Cleveland Urban Egg to the site where they raise chickens to sell eggs.



This fall season, BBC will partner with Rid-All Green Partnership to offer scholars enrolled in the Cleveland Metropolitan School District the opportunity to learn about urban agriculture through the Urban Farm Diet program. This program is an out-of-classroom field experience that guides youth through a real life journey of where food comes from and how it lands on their plates. They are exposed to a series of growing practices that connects to science, math, reading, and writing that they learn in the classroom. They also cook a meal alongside a chef as they learn their food groups and how to eat healthy. After this field experience, youth are re-engaged to learning traditional subjects from a new real life perspective.



BBC would like to acknowledge Marion Sterling and George Washington Carver elementary schools for successfully piloting the Urban Farm Diet program during the 2013 – 2014 school years. Supported by the Abington Foundation and Cleveland Neighborhood Progress, Inc. this program will start in September 2014 and will run through May 2015. Registration is open for principals and teachers. To register your classroom, call Sherita Mullins at BBC at 216.341.1455.

-Sherita Mullins

CONSTRUCTION JOBS AVAILABLE FOR THE EXPANSION OF HERITAGE VIEW ESTATES

In the fall, Cuyahoga Metropolitan Housing Authority [CMHA] will be expanding Heritage View Estates. This expansion will add sixty units of affordable housing to the Kinsman neighborhood.

Employment opportunities will be available for project area residents, surrounding neighborhood residents, MBE, FBE, and Section 3 businesses.

The construction for this development project will be led by

Mistick Construction. In partnership with Mistick Construction, CMHA and BBC will be hosting a two level interview process to determine the eligibility of applicants for employment. The first interview session will be held on August 26th and the second on August 27th. All applicants should be prepared for the application process and have their resumes present. For the location of the interviews or more information, call Zenobia Lane at BBC at 216.341.1455.

-Zenobia Lane

RESOURCES FOR HOMEOWNERS THIS FALL

Every season brings an opportunity to make needed repairs to your home. Below are two home repair programs offered by BBC for the Kinsman and Central neighborhoods and other nonprofit organizations throughout Cleveland. Please note that each of these programs may require applicants to qualify based on income, age, occupancy, and/or other criteria. For more information on these and other programs that may be available, contact Larry LaPrade at BBC at 216.341.1455.

HOME WEATHERIZATION ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

The Home Weatherization Assistance Program [HWAP] is available free of charge to eligible households to help both homeowners and renters to reduce utility bills, make homes more comfortable for occupants, and keep families safe and healthy.

HWAP entails a variety of repairs and improvements to heating systems, including the installation of insulation, general tune-up of furnaces, and safety and health testing. Many houses built prior to the 1970's lack insulation, which keeps heated air from escaping homes in the winter and cold air from entering interiors, and vice versa in the summer. Additionally, HWAP contractors ensure that furnaces are working efficiently and are not emitting carbon monoxide, a colorless, odorless gas that can lead to serious health

impairments and even death. If necessary, furnaces will be replaced free of charge.

To be eligible to participate, applicants' household income cannot exceed \$15,315 for a one-person household. For each additional member of the household, add \$5,220 to determine the maximum income limit. The program is open to both homeowners and renters. Residents can only receive HWAP services once every ten years.

FURNACE REPAIR PROGRAM

Experts recommend that homeowners have a qualified heating professional inspect their furnace and heating system prior to the beginning of the winter season every year. A routine inspection can ensure that your furnace works efficiently and may even save your life by detecting health and safety hazards! Beginning October 1, 2014 BBC will offer our Emergency Furnace Repair Program to qualified income eligible seniors who own and occupy their homes in Ward 5. Seniors must be at least 60 years old, and income cannot exceed \$12,900 for a one-person household or \$14,700 for a two person household. BBC can accommodate only a limited number of seniors this year so assistance will be provided on a first-come, first-served basis.

—Sherita Mullins

Building up Safety and Community in the Kinsman Neighborhood

led by Councilwoman Phyllis Cleveland to foster safety and an awareness of community in the Lower Kinsman neighborhood. The committee meets once a month to discuss strategies to enhance safety and design community events for the neighborhood. Over the course of several months, the committee has made great strides towards obtaining its mission. This past spring, committee members facilitated a neighborhood cleanup where residents and partner agencies cleaned approximately two miles of the Lower Kinsman neighborhood. The management staff of Rainbow Terrace showed their leadership by starting the process of installing security cameras, monthly pest control applications, reinstating badges for residents with vehicles and working with CMHA and Cleveland Police to patrol the area. Rainbow Terrace also hosted Night Out Against Crime on August 5th to discourage crime in the Lower Kinsman neighborhood. The Lower Kinsman Safety Committee we would like to hear more from residents on your concerns and feedback regarding safety and community engagement. If you are interested in participating on this committee, contact Nailah Ingram at BBC at 216.341.1455.

BBC has been collaborating with neighboring agencies [Rainbow Terrace Estates, Heritage View Estates, Garden Valley Neighborhood House, Cuyahoga Metropolitan Housing Authority Police and Cleveland Police]

—Nailah Ingram

NEW ADDITIONS TO BRIDGEPORT CAFÉ

Lately, have you had breakfast or lunch at Bridgeport Café? Located inside the Bridgeport Place Plaza on East 72nd and Kinsman Road, Bridgeport Café now has a new outdoor seating area! Relax in a new ambiance while enjoying some of your café favorites. The new outdoor seating area is just one of the new ways the café is accommodating their customers. Having updated to the Square, customers using their credit or debit cards can now receive their receipts straight to their email if they choose to do so. With the light sound of music playing in the background, the café has become the perfect place to catch up with a friend, do work, or have a business lunch. In a hurry? Not a problem! The café accepts call ahead orders to make sure that your meal is ready when you need it be. If you have an upcoming event, see how Bridgeport Café can assist you with your catering needs. Visit bridgeportcafe.com to see the latest menu or call 216.266.0140 to discuss catering options.

—Caitlyn Neely



Down Payment Assistance

If paying for a down payment and closing costs have kept you from getting into a home of your own, OHFA's Down Payment Assistance product may be able to help.

If you qualify for one of OHFA's home loan products, you can choose to take advantage of OHFA's Down Payment Assistance product, which provides qualifying buyers 2.5% of your home's purchase price. The product can be used for the down payment, closing costs or a number of prepaid expenses incurred by the borrower prior to closing. However, homebuyers who use the product pay a slightly higher rate of .5% on their mortgage.

ELIGIBILITY

To qualify for OHFA's Down Payment Assistance product, you must meet all requirements of your OHFA loan product. To check the requirements for each product, visit www.ohiohome.org.

In addition, you

must complete required homebuyer education through a HUD approved housing counseling agency or use OHFA's Streamlined Homebuyer.

Education course by following these simple steps:

1. Visit www.ohiohome.org and review OHFA's Homebuyer Guide found in the Homebuyer Education Section. Lenders may be able to provide you with printed information if the internet is unavailable to you.
2. Complete the 25-question homebuyer education test and the monthly budget form.
3. Fax the test and budget form by following the instructions on the website [or those provided by the lender] to OHFA. The Agency will forward your information to a housing counseling agency serving your county.
4. A housing counselor will contact you to arrange a one-hour telephone consultation to review the test and budget. They will also answer any questions you may have about the process.
5. Once the education requirement is met, a certificate of completion will be issued to the lender and OHFA. When all other documentation is completed and approved, the loan can close.

For more information on OHFA's Down Payment Assistance product, please visit www.ohiohome.org.

OHFA is an Equal Opportunity Housing entity. Loans are available on a fair and equal basis regardless of race, color, religion, sex, familial status, national origin, military status, disability or ancestry.

—Courtesy of the Ohio Housing Finance Agency

Bridgeport Mobile Market Turns One!

The Bridgeport Mobile Market officially celebrated its one-year anniversary on June 28, 2014. After serving 5,881 individuals over the course of the year, there have been many great stories and recipes shared, friends and partnerships made, and memories to last a lifetime. From routine neighborhood stops to ward festivals and other community events, the market has built a strong connection with not only customers, but communities throughout Cleveland.

The Bridgeport Mobile Market truly would not be where it is without supporters! Having begun with just 13 stops, the market is now at 21 locations regularly on a weekly basis and will be expanding to more locations soon.

Many thanks to those who have supported the market and continue to do so on a regular basis. Cheers to the many new friends and partnerships created in the first year, with excitement looking forward to this upcoming year.

If you haven't visited the market yet, be sure to stop by to check out local Orlando Bakery bread, Green City Growers Butter Bib Lettuce, and Kinsman Farm produce! For the most up-to-date schedule visit www.bridgeportmm.com. Visit us at Food Truck Friday at the Free Stamp next to City Hall on: 8/15, 9/12, 9/26, 10/3, 10/10, and 10/24 or at Wade Oval Wednesday on 8/20! Follow us on Twitter to see where we are going next: @Bridgeportmobil! If you would like a site in your neighborhood, call Joy Dismukes at 216.400.2010.

—Caitlyn Neely



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ANNUAL MARSHALL AVENUE BACK-TO-SCHOOL SAFETY FAIR

Residents in the Kinsman-Union neighborhood will kick off another school year with fun-filled activities at the Annual Marshall Avenue Back-to-School Safety Fair and Block Party. This event will take place on Saturday, September 6, 2014, 12pm–6pm. Every year, residents block off Marshall Avenue to provide safety tips to area youth and celebrate the start of the school year. Residents enjoy line dancing, games, music, free food, valuable safety and health information. BBC is proud to serve as fiscal agent for this event. To donate or for more information, contact Myra Simmons at 216.322.3227 or at myraplace@yahoo.com.



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Date	Time	EVENT	Location	Address
Sept. 1		Labor Day - BBC's office will be closed		
Sept. 9	6PM-8PM	Healthy You Cooking Class with Vel Scott [Every Tuesday Sept. 9th - Sept. 30th]	Cornucopia Place	7202 Kinsman Road
Sept. 13	12:00 PM	Ward 5 Club Meeting	Vocational Guidance Services	2235 E. 55th Street
Sept. 24	7:00 PM	4th District Police Comm. Relations Meeting	Covenant Comm. Church of Clev.	3342 East 119th Street
Sept. 30	7:00 PM	3rd District Police Comm. Relations Meeting	3rd District	10600 Chester Avenue
Oct. 11	12:00 PM	Ward 5 Club Meeting	Vocational Guidance Services	2235 E. 55th Street
Oct. 13		Columbus Day - BBC's office will be open		
Oct. 22	7:00 PM	4th District Police Comm. Relations Meeting	Covenant Comm. Church of Clev.	3342 East 119th Street
Oct. 28	7:00 PM	3rd District Police Comm. Relations Meeting	3rd District	10600 Chester Avenue
Nov. 2	12am	Daylight Savings - Set Clocks Back One Hour		
Nov. 4	6:30am to 7:30pm	Ohio General Elections	Check with the Cuyahoga County Board of Elections for designated polling locations	Check Ward or Precinct
Nov. 8	12:00 PM	Ward 5 Club Meeting	Vocational Guidance Services	2235 E. 55th Street
Nov. 11		Veteran's Day - BBC's office will be open		
Nov. 25	7:00 PM	3rd District Police Comm. Relations Mtg.	3rd District	10600 Chester Avenue
Nov. 26	7:00 PM	4th District Police Comm. Relations Mtg.	Covenant Comm. Church of Clev.	3342 East 119th Street
Nov. 27		Thanksgiving - BBC's office will be closed		

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Approximately 275 New Street Trees to be Planted in Central in 2014

Trees possess many benefits for people and neighborhoods. They clean pollutants from the air, cool the streets and city during the hot summer, combat global warming, help households conserve energy, reduce violence, increase property values, and improve the overall appeal of neighborhoods.

However, Ward 5 has the most sparse tree canopy and fewest number of trees of any area in Cuyahoga County.

BBC and its partners aim to change that this year. Two initiatives will bring nearly three hundred new trees to Central beginning in the spring.

In early May, BBC, Davey Tree, Western Reserve Land Conservancy, and Keep Ohio Beautiful planted twenty street trees along E. 38th and E. 39th Streets between Cedar and Central Avenues in St. John's Village West. Last November, the team and community installed four trees at the St.

John's Square Reading Garden at E. 40th Street and Central Avenue in celebration of Arbor Day.

Additionally, the City of Cleveland received a grant from the US Forest Service to install 1,000 street trees throughout Cleveland, 250 of which will be planted in Central in Fall 2014.

BBC and its partners have been identifying prospective streets in which new trees may be planted. We will be reaching out to homeowners in these areas over the next few months. We hope that you will embrace your tree for the wealth of benefits it will provide your family, home, and neighborhood!

Street trees will be free to homeowners. We just ask homeowners to water them weekly for the first year to ensure that they thrive for years to come.

For more information or to volunteer to plant trees in Central, please call 216.341.1455.
-Jeffrey Sugalski

CMHA Choice Bringing New Neighborhood to Central

Community members have frequently asked us, "What's happening in area across from Cuyahoga Community College?"

Cuyahoga Metropolitan Housing Authority and its partners are building an entire new neighborhood. CMHA is in the process of redeveloping the former Cedar Extension as Central Choice Neighborhood. The Choice plans calls for 377 units of townhomes and apartments, retail, services, and other amenities to be developed on land that until recently had been occupied by substandard, antiquated, and overcrowded housing.

Phase I of the project will consist of a sixty-unit four-story building on the corner of E. 30th Street and Community College Boulevard. A portion of the units will be market-rate rental. Space for retail businesses, such as shops and restaurants, will

be included on the ground floor. Construction should begin in August and last slightly longer than a year.

Phase II will be comprised of approximately fifty townhomes within a new street grid. The timeline for Phase II has not yet been set.

Additionally, Care Alliance is constructing a new health care facility at the corner of E. 30th Street and Central Avenue. Construction should be complete around the end of the year or shortly after. The Care Alliance in the Stokes Social Service Mall on Woodland Avenue will remain open and will continue to serve patients.

No significant changes will be taking place at the Cedar High Rise building.
-Jeffrey Sugalski

Same Faces in New Places

Previous issues of the Community Connector have highlighted new staff members joining BBC. We also want to inform you about a current staff member in a new position.

BBC's Jeffrey Sugalski has been promoted to Real Estate Development Director after the retirement of Joseph Jones. Jeffrey began his work at BBC in 2004 as a Property Research Intern. He was later hired as Real Estate Development Specialist in 2005 and then worked as Real Estate Development Manager before being promoted to Real Estate Development Director in April 2014.

We are grateful for Jeffrey's outstanding service and dedication to BBC and are excited about what he will bring to his new role. BBC's staff members have an average of seven years of service to the organization and the Central and Kinsman neighborhoods. We are thankful for a committed staff as well as an organization and neighborhood that attracts talent from across the country. Please congratulate Jeffrey on his new role!

-Joy D. Johnson



Jason Minter and Jeffrey Sugalski discussing the Ward 5 neighborhood planning process inside Bridgeport Café

COMMUNITY CLEAN-UP

at the New Hillside Community Park

As a recipient of the Reimagining 3.0 grant, the East 79th Street area near the RTA Blue-Green Rapid Station will be getting the first part of its

face lift on June 3rd during a community clean-up. Through the use of Cleveland Neighborhood Progress' Clean and Green Cleveland Trailer, volunteers will be helping to clean up the area to prep the space for what will soon be called Hillside Community Park. Through several community meetings, residents expressed their concerns and what they would like to see. The final proposal of the space envisioned by local residents was designed by Burten, Bell, Carr Development's Enterprise Rose Architectural Fellow, Erick Rodriguez.



If you are interested in volunteering on June 3rd, or any upcoming project, call Zenobia Lane of BBC at 216.341.1455.

****NOTE:** The Green and Clean Cleveland trailer is available for loan to City of Cleveland residents or community volunteer groups looking to clean and beautify neighborhoods in Cleveland's neighborhoods. The trailer is available on a first-come, first-served basis free of charge for up to a maximum of three days, providing landscaping tools and clean-up supplies. For more information about the Green and Clean Cleveland trailer, visit: <http://www.npi-cle.org/cleangreen/>. The use of the trailer is a service of Cleveland Neighborhood Progress.

—Caitlyn Neely

NEW CLASS FOR BEGINNING MASTER GARDENER VOLUNTEERS

This past spring, Ohio State University Extension and Master Gardeners of Cuyahoga County, Inc. announced registration for the 2014 Master Gardener Basic Training Class. "We are excited about the opportunity to offer our program in an evening format," says OSU Extension Educator Jacqueline Kowalski. "With the course normally offered during the daytime, so many interested individuals could not be accommodated. This new format allows us to reach a broader audience."

The OSU Extension Master Gardener Volunteer Program is open to any interested individual. Classes begin August 25th and continue through October 29th on Monday and Wednesday evenings. Two full day field trips are also planned as part of the

course curriculum. Classroom training, lectures, and hands-on learning activities are presented by Ohio State University Extension faculty and staff. Topics covered in training include: soils and fertilizers, entomology, integrated pest management, plant pathology, plant propagation, invasive species, houseplants, lawns, herbaceous and woody ornamentals, vegetables, herbs and fruit. Focus is providing non-biased research based education and training in order for persons to become confident volunteers. Volunteer opportunities vary and are presented through the training program.

If you have any questions, or require any additional information, contact Jacqueline Kowalski, 216.429.8200 ext. 217.

—Courtesy of Master Gardeners of Cuyahoga County

BBC welcomes JASON MINTER

Jason Minter is the newest addition to the BBC staff.

BBC was first introduced to Jason, who hails from Austin, TX, when he was selected as a finalist for BBC's Enterprise Rose Architectural Fellowship position in a highly competitive national application process. Jason felt strongly that working to improve low-income communities in Cleveland was what he was destined to do. BBC's mission resonated with him, and he was eager to be part of the team.

One opportunity led to another for Jason. When BBC posted an employment opportunity for a new real estate development specialist, Jason applied, interviewed, and was ultimately distinguished himself as the top candidate.

Jason earned a Master of Architecture from Texas A&M University and a Bachelor of Science in Architecture from the University of Nebraska at Lincoln. He possesses a variety of work experience in the field of architecture in the United States, as well as Mexico, Italy, and Tunisia.

As BBC's real estate development specialist, Jason will utilize his skills to facilitate new development in Central and Kinsman. He will also be out in the neighborhoods working on a variety of community initiatives and assisting residents with home repairs.

Please welcome Jason to the neighborhood and Cleveland!

—Jeffrey Sugalski

Financial Assistance Available to Beautify Ward 5 Storefronts

Are you a commercial property owner or do you own a retail business?

BBC is partnering with the City of Cleveland Department of Community Development to offer the Storefront Renovation Program (SRP) in the Central and Kinsman neighborhoods. SRP provides financial incentives (rebate or loan) combined with free design assistance to applicants considering an exterior rehabilitation of a commercial structure.

The program can help property and/or business owners with bringing properties into building code compliance, correcting maintenance items and code violations, renovation of architectural/historical details, site improvements, and the design and installation of new signage.

For more information, please contact Jason Minter at 216.341.1455.

—Jeffrey Sugalski

Making Great Strides in Transforming Anton Grdina Investment School

BBC continues to serve as the United Way Lead Agency with Anton Grdina Investment School. In just three months, this partnership has led to increased effectiveness in current school programs, monthly parent events, positive school culture and increased attendance, and has strengthened community partnerships.

Homework Help, a staple tutoring program at Anton Grdina, transitioned from being an out of school program held during evening hours, offsite, to an on-site afterschool program. This shift increased the number of student participants and allowed our partner, HandsOn Northeast Ohio, to coordinate strategies and learning materials with the students' teachers.

"Breakfast to Go," a national grant program sponsored locally by the Cleveland Browns, has developed into an attendance campaign to get scholars "At School! On Time! Ready to Learn!" As parents and students walk into the school building office, they see this mantra planted on the wall. Attendance ratings are also posted to allow them to see their progress. Since the launch of the campaign and Anton's Bucks Program, thirteen out of twenty classrooms have increased in their attendance in the month of March.

With BBC's leadership and stronger community partnerships, students at Anton Grdina were able to benefit from school events such as the school-wide Black History Month program, Boys to Men Summit, Ohio Academic Achievement (OAA) Gear Up: "Mommy & Me" Reading Night and "Daddy" Does Digits, OAA Pep Rally, and Healthy Body: Healthy Community Field Day, and attend a CAVS game.

In addition, eight students were registered for summer jobs through Youth Opportunities Unlimited and will possibly be working with BBC this summer.

As the academic school year comes to an end, our work continues throughout the summer in coordination with partners, community members, parents and students to complete a needs assessment for the school and community. It is our goal that we will become a beacon in leading the way of transitioning Anton Grdina into a community school that allows the community to be an extension of the school and the school to be an extension of the community. If you would like to be involved in the process by sharing ideas, visions, and/or needs of the neighborhood as it relates to our youth, please contact Monique Williams at 216.854.6590 or mwilliams@bbcdevelopment.org.

—Monique Williams

Bike Program Kicking Off in Central this Spring

Bike Cleveland, in partnership with the Sisters of Charity, Greater Cleveland YMCA, Cleveland Metroparks, and Ohio City Bicycle Co-op, is launching Central Bikes, a year-long project to increase bicycling awareness, safety and usage in Cleveland's Historic Central neighborhood.

We are partnering with local stakeholders and reaching out to the community with programs and events to empower residents to become leaders and advocates not just for safer biking but also for a more livable community. Our goal for 2014 is to engage the community with events and activities that increase bicycling awareness and safety.

Beginning this spring, we plan to hold three bike fix-a-thons to get more working bikes into the community. Fix-a-thons are open to all. Free bike inspections and repairs will be provided. Every participant will receive a bike light. The first fix-a-thon will take place at the Cleveland Public Library Sterling Branch, located at 2200 E. 30th Street, on May 24th from 11am – 2pm.

This spring, we will also be holding an Earn-a-Bike Camp at which young people can earn a new bike, helmet and a bike lock. We are also planning to host a family bike skills class which provides residents with skills needed to ride safely.

In the summer, we will have group rides or cruises to get the community moving together on their bikes. By the end of the summer, we hope to have the first bicycle club on the East Side that advocates for safer streets for everyone in Cleveland. This club will be modeled after African-American bicycle clubs in Oakland, Atlanta and Washington DC that have been successful in building support for bicycling in their communities.

For more information, please call 216.288.2733 or visit our website www.centralbikes.org

—Marvin Ranaldson, Bike Cleveland

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9th Annual Ward 5 Community Family Festival & Parade

It is festival time again for the Ward 5 community. Join Ward 5 Councilwoman Phyllis Cleveland and your neighbors as we celebrate the rich history and cultures within the Central and surrounding neighborhoods. There will be live entertainment, food, prizes and good ole family fun for people of all ages. The festival will be held on June 28th and run from 10am-6pm, at Friendly Inn, 2386 Unwin Road. The parade will start at the corner of East 30th and Community College at 12pm. The parade will travel throughout the Central neighborhood and end at Friendly Inn. You don't want to miss this event. Ask your neighbor, this festival and parade gets bigger and better every year. To register for the parade, call Sherita Mullins of BBC at 216.341.1455. For information about the festival or to become a vendor, call Andrea Foote of Friendly Inn at 216.431.7656.



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Date	Time	EVENT	Location	Address
June 3	6-8 PM	Healthy You Cooking Class with Vel Scott (Every Tuesday June 3rd - June 24th)	Cornucopia Place	7202 Kinsman Road
June 3	TBD	Community Clean-up	Hillside Community Park	E. 79th Street: near the blue-green rapid station
June 7	11:00 AM	City Wide March Against Youth Violence	Original Harvest Missionary Baptist Church	7100 Kinsman Road
June 10	12-2 PM	Youth Farmers Leadership Program	Cornucopia Place	7203 Kinsman Road
June 14	12:00 PM	Ward 5 Club Meeting	Vocational Guidance Services	2235 E. 55th Street
June 21	12-2 PM	Cooking with Chef Wells	Cornucopia Place	7201 Kinsman Road
June 24	7:00 PM	3rd District Police Comm. Relations Meeting	3rd District	10600 Chester Avenue
June 25	7:00 PM	4th District Police Comm. Relations Meeting	Covenant Comm. Church of Clev.	3342 East 119th Street
June 28	10 AM-6 PM	9th Annual Ward 5 Comm. Festival & Parade	Friendly Inn	2386 Unwin Road
July 10	6-8 PM	Cooking 4 Health with Chef Robin Blair [Every Thursday July 10th - August 28th]	Cornucopia Place	7202 Kinsman Road
July 12	12:00 PM	Ward 5 Club Meeting	Vocational Guidance Services	2235 E. 55th Street
July 12	12-2 PM	Cooking with Chef Wells	Cornucopia Place	7201 Kinsman Road
July 23	7:00 PM	4th District Police Comm. Relations Meeting	Covenant Comm. Church of Clev.	3342 East 119th Street
July 26	12-2 PM	Cooking with Chef Wells	Cornucopia Place	7201 Kinsman Road
July 29	7:00 PM	3rd District Police Comm. Relations Meeting	3rd District	10600 Chester Avenue
Aug. 9	12:00 PM	Ward 5 Club Meeting	Vocational Guidance Services	2235 E. 55th Street
Aug. 26	7:00 PM	3rd District Police Comm. Relations Meeting	3rd District	10600 Chester Avenue
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Best Wishes to BBC's

Joseph Jones as He Retires



Joseph Jones, BBC's Real Estate Development Director, will be retiring after nearly eleven years of service with the organization. Joseph will leave BBC on March 30, 2014. He contributed to all of BBC's successful real estate development projects including Bridgeport Place retail center, Bridgeport Café and Cornucopia Place, and the Villages of Central among others.

Joseph also worked closely with many community residents, especially senior citizens, through BBC's home repair assistance program. He counseled many area businesses through our small business assistance program.

Joseph brought a wealth of knowledge to his position. Before joining BBC, Joseph owned his own construction company

and worked many years as a Quality Assurance Supervisor at Day Glo Corporation in Cleveland. He is also a licensed realtor. While working at BBC Joseph earned his Master's Degree in Social Work from Case Western Reserve University and became a licensed Social Worker by the State of Ohio.

Joseph is known by staff for his words of wisdom and witty sense of humor. A lasting quote from Joseph is "There is the way things appear to be, and there is the way things really are. BBC has succeeded because we always dealt things the way they really are."

Joseph's wife Denise retired from the Ohio Office of Unemployment in 2012. Now that Joseph is retiring, they plan to travel the world together and spend more time with their five children and five grandchildren.

We wish Joseph all the best in his retired life and thank him for his years of dedication to Cleveland's Central and Kinsman neighborhoods.

-Joy Johnson



Niccole Jewell, 3652 Central Ave, in Lower Central



Brenda Taylor Rosario, 2349 E. 63rd St., in Upper Central



Vera White, 3004 E. 75th St., Kinsman



Barbara Malloy & Klaus Williams, 9713 Easton Ave., in Kinsman-Union

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BBC Honors Homeowners with the Best Yards in 2013 Awards to be given for exemplary landscaping again this year!

Keep your yard and landscaping in tip-top shape this spring, summer, and fall and you can win an exciting prize!

Last fall, BBC staff surveyed the Upper Central, Lower Central, Kinsman, and Kinsman-Union neighborhoods. We drove every street in our four-square-mile service area to identify the homes we thought had the greatest curb appeal and most well-kept landscaping.

After a review and discussion of the top candidates, BBC selected one homeowner in each of the four aforementioned neighborhoods as the grand prize winner of their respective area.

The winners were Niccole Jewell (3652 Central Ave, in Lower Central), Brenda Taylor Rosario (2349 E 63rd St, in Upper Central), Vera White (3004 E 75th St, Kinsman), and Barbara Malloy & Klaus Williams (9713 Easton Ave, in Kinsman-Union). Each winner has received a certificate of acknowledgement and a \$100 Home Depot gift card.

Three honorable mentions received \$25 gift cards to Bridgeport Café at East 72nd St. and Kinsman Rd. They are Annie Tufts & Juanita Griffin (2645 E 61st St, in Kinsman), Priscilla Corley (6004 Central Ave, in Upper Central), and Marcella George (2221 E 37th St, in Lower Central).

We congratulate these very dedicated residents for going above and beyond to make their yards and landscaping look truly outstanding. BBC will once again be on the lookout for manicured lawns, flowers, shrubs, and trees at homes in our service area. Your yard doesn't have to be elaborately designed for you to win, but simply look cared for and nice and contribute to the overall appeal of your street. Prizes could be bigger and better in 2014, so we hope you will participate!

-Jeffrey Sugalski

Become a Mentor for Youth in the Central Neighborhood

Research has proven that those students, who have a network of caring adults that support them, are more likely to be successful. BBC would like to invite adult men and women to become mentors for eight graders in the Central neighborhood. Big Brothers Big Sisters of Greater Cleveland, in partnership with the Cleveland Central Promise Neighborhood, launched a new mentoring program for eight grade students.

The goal of this mentorship campaign is to provide each eight grader with a caring adult mentor that will support them as they transition from middle school to high school and on to post-secondary success! The Promise Neighborhood initiative is committed to a vision that all children living in Central will have an opportunity to go off to college and a meaningful career.

To become a mentor is an easy process and very rewarding for both the mentor and mentee. This program matches an adult volunteer who provides social support and shares experiences with a child in need of an added source for positive direction, seeing their mentee a minimum of four hours a month. Most matches stay together for over two years and for many it is a lifelong relationship that is very rewarding for both the mentor and mentee.

If you are interested in becoming a mentor, you must be eighteen years of age or older, have a valid driver's license and proof of personal auto insurance, and have four hours of free time per month.

You could make the difference in a child's life. To apply to become a mentor, contact BBC at 216.341.1455. —Sherita Mullins

BBC to Revitalize Site Next to East 79th Blue/Green Rapid

The infamous decrepit swing sets and rusted jungle gym on E. 79th Street, could soon be replaced by trees and public art.

Kinsman residents and stakeholders have long expressed a need for improved walkability to and from the East 79th Street Blue/Green Rapid Station, since transit is such a vital part of their daily lives. To achieve this end, community-driven plans have called for the large blighted vacant lot located immediately south of the station to be improved with walking paths, trees and plants, landscaping, and other features.

When a funding opportunity became available from Reimaging Cleveland, BBC pursued it to bring the community's vision for the East 79th Street site to fruition and would receive a \$50,000 grant. Reimaging Cleveland is a program of Cleveland Neighborhood

Progress, Wells Fargo CityLIFT® program, The U.S. Department of Justice, and Cuyahoga Land Reutilization Corporation.

In addition to improving access to the rapid station, the redevelopment of the site could have many other powerful impacts. Hundreds of people ride the rapid daily past the site, which could be considered the door step to the Kinsman neighborhood. Beautifying the lot could potentially transform negative perceptions of Kinsman into positive impressions. Making transit safer and easier to access helps promote transit use, which improves the air quality and the environment.

Planning for the site began in February, with construction following in the spring. If you would like to be involved in the planning process, please contact Jeffrey Sugalski at 216.341.1455 or jsugalski@bbcdevelopment.org. —Jeffrey Sugalski



City/State Exploring Potential to Reroute Kinsman at East 55th Street

Dramatic changes could be coming to the East 55th Street, Kinsman Road, and Woodland Avenue intersection within the next few years.

Historically, the intersection has been one of the busiest and most dangerous in the state. It has been ranked as the worst for crashes within the five county area of Cuyahoga, Lorain, Lake, Medina, and Geauga counties.

The City of Cleveland and Ohio Department of Transportation have begun to study the possibility of eliminating one road of the intersection. They have preliminarily concluded that rerouting Kinsman Road into East 55th Street or Woodland Avenue would have the greatest impacts to safety and traffic flow.

Three alternatives for the intersection will be presented at a community meeting for review and comment this spring. A date and time have not been set prior to publication. To be notified of the meeting, please leave your name, phone number, and address by emailing jsugalski@bbcdevelopment.org or calling 216.341.1455. —Jeffrey Sugalski

FREE Rain Barrels Available Rain barrels collect nutrient-rich rainwater from your gutters and downspouts so that you can reuse it to water your grass, flowers, and plants. Not only do they save homeowners money on their water bills, but rain barrels are also good for the environment because they divert rainwater from sewers and treatment plants. Get on the list for your free rain barrel by calling 216.341.1455. A limited number of barrels are available on a first-come, first-served basis, so please contact us soon! —Jeffrey Sugalski

Cooking Classes at Cornucopia Place

BBC recently celebrated the one year anniversary of Cornucopia Place. Throughout the last year, many chefs graced this space with an array of cuisines through their cooking classes. These dishes ranged from soul to Chinese to Thai food. Participants of these cooking classes will always have a reason and now the expertise to spice up their meals at home.

If you have not signed up for a cooking class, now is the time. There are cooking classes for all age groups scheduled for the spring, summer, and fall seasons. People interested in trying out recipes from around the world should sign up for Chef Eric Wells' class. Those that are battling a chronic disease such as diabetes or high blood pressure should attend Chef Vel Scott's class. Or if you are looking for a spin to the traditional dishes you already cook at home, register for Chef Robin Blair's class. There are also classes to get youth interested in cooking and eating healthy food. For youth cooking classes, sign your child up for Sharon Glaspie's Junior Chef or Teen Chef Class.

There are no more excuses to not knowing how to cook or getting bored with the same old recipes. Cooking classes at Cornucopia Place are fun and focus on health and wellness so that families can live longer and happier lives together. Most classes are free to attend. To register for a cooking class, visit cornucopiaplacebbc.eventbrite.com. You can also call BBC's office at 216.341.1455.

—Sherita Mullins



Chef Vel Scott's class

Chef Robin Blair's class



VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!! Do you have extra time throughout the week in which you would like to volunteer? Have you ever wanted to spend your time helping in a community garden or orchard? Do you have time to tutor or mentor neighborhood students? Have an interest in helping school-age children? If you are ready to give back to the community, now is your time. Whatever your interest, we are bound to have a way that you can help! Stop by the office to fill out a volunteer form or call BBC at 216-341-1455 to be added to our volunteer list.

—Caitlyn Neely

Fast and Free Care for Your Sick Child in Central

University Hospitals Rainbow Babies & Children's Hospital brings free and fast health care to the Central neighborhood.

The HealthSpot station is located close to your home and is open during the evening and on weekends – when doctor's offices are normally closed. No appointment is needed and walk-ins are welcome! Patients will be able to talk to a UH Rainbow Babies & Children's Hospital doctor through a video screen and get a physical exam with the help of a medical attendant. At the end of the visit, you will know what is wrong and what steps to take to help your child get better.



and offers patients with minor sicknesses a place to go instead of the emergency room. Children between the ages of 3 and 18 can visit the UH Rainbow HealthSpotSM station weekdays from 5:30pm-11pm and weekends from 1pm-11pm. Those under 18 must be accompanied by a parent or Guardian.

For more information please call 216.844.0172.

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The new UH Rainbow HealthSpot station is located inside Friendly Inn Settlement House (2386 Unwin Road, Cleveland)

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NEIGHBORHOOD PLANNING FOR KINSMAN AND CENTRAL

BBC has begun the neighborhood planning process to chart the direction for how we continue to reinvent the lower Kinsman and Central communities. In order to successfully complete this process, BBC encourages the participation of residents, stakeholders, business owners and all other interested parties. Throughout the next few months there will be a series of neighborhood meetings to capture your ideas and feedback. BBC will post the dates and times of these meetings online through bbcdevelopment.org, Facebook and Twitter. More information will also be available at BBC's office and partner agencies. This is your chance to be a part of the transformation of the Kinsman and Central neighborhoods.

We hope to see you there.

For information on any of our programs, call us at 216.341.1455. Follow BBC on Facebook  and Twitter 



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March 4	4:00 PM	Teen Chef Cooking Class for ages 13 - 17 [4wk series every Tue Mar 4 - Mar 25]	Cornucopia Place	7201 Kinsman Road
March 7	6PM-8PM	Cooking with Chef Wells	Cornucopia Place	7201 Kinsman Road
March 8	10AM - 12PM	Pruning Workshop with OSUE	Cornucopia Place	7201 Kinsman Road
March 8	12:00 PM	Ward 5 Club Meeting	Vocational Guidance Services	2235 E. 55th Street
March 8	12:00 PM	Easy Does It Cooking Class for adults [7wk series every Sat Mar 8 - Apr 26]	Cornucopia Place Registration Required!	7201 Kinsman Road
March 19-30	All Day	38th Cleveland International Film Festival	Tower City Cinemas	230 Huron Road
March 21	6PM-8PM	Cooking with Chef Wells	Cornucopia Place	7201 Kinsman Road
March 25	7:00 PM	3rd District Police Comm. Relations Meeting	3rd District	10600 Chester Avenue
March 26	7:00 PM	4th District Police Comm. Relations Meeting	Covenant Comm. Church of Clev.	3342 East 119th Street
April 3	6PM-8PM	Chef Robin Blair's Cooking 4 Health Series [Tuesdays April 3rd - May 22]	Cornucopia Place	7201 Kinsman Road
April 4	6PM-8PM	Cooking with Chef Wells	Cornucopia Place	7201 Kinsman Road
April 8	4:00 PM	Junior Chef Cooking Class for ages 7 - 12 [4wk series every Tue Apr 8 - Apr 29]	Cornucopia Place	7201 Kinsman Road
April 12	12:00 PM	Ward 5 Club Meeting	Vocational Guidance Services	2235 E. 55th Street
April 18	6PM-8PM	Cooking with Chef Wells	Cornucopia Place	7201 Kinsman Road
April 23	7:00 PM	4th District Police Comm. Relations Meeting	Covenant Comm. Church of Clev.	3342 East 119th Street
April 29	7:00 PM	3rd District Police Comm. Relations Meeting	3rd District	10600 Chester Avenue
May 3	12PM-2PM	Cooking with Chef Wells	Cornucopia Place	7201 Kinsman Road
May 6	4:00 PM	Teen Chef Cooking Class for ages 13 - 17 [4 week series every Tue May 6 - May 27]	Cornucopia Place	7201 Kinsman Road
May 10	12:00 PM	Ward 5 Club Meeting	Vocational Guidance Services	2235 E. 55th Street
May 17	12PM-2PM	Cooking with Chef Wells	Cornucopia Place	7201 Kinsman Road
May 27	7:00 PM	3rd District Police Comm. Relations Meeting	3rd District	10600 Chester Avenue
May 28	7:00 PM	4th District Police Comm. Relations Meeting	Covenant Comm. Church of Clev.	3342 East 119th Street

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Paving the way for a New Plan

for the Kinsman and Central Neighborhoods

With the recent completion of a new organizational strategic plan, BBC is now laying the groundwork to continue the transformation of our communities by way of a new neighborhood plan. Through the process of affirming our core values, we have established new guiding principles for how we continue to serve as a convener, change agent and resource to the community. Within weeks of publishing this issue of the Community Connector we hope to identify the ideal facilitator to carry out the master planning process. Our goal is to host the first series of neighborhood planning meetings by the end of March 2014. We are eager to work with community stakeholders in charting the direction for how we continue to reinvent the lower Kinsman and Central communities. In addition, we will continue building the foundation for the re-branding of the area previously known as the Forgotten Triangle and setting the stage for its progressive redevelopment.

BBC is committed to making these neighborhoods models for stakeholder driven resource building and hubs for innovative and equitable asset creation. With your help

we aspire to develop and effectively execute sustainable solutions for concentrated poverty, blight, and other negative conditions.

This scale of ambition will demand creative and bold ideas that will go far beyond the conventional realm of community development. Consistent with our prior work, we will introduce and welcome nonconforming ideas to be vetted through the community planning process. While it is never easy to establish new precedents, we will aim higher, reach farther and muster the same unyielding energy, passion and commitment that drove the successful implementation of the current neighborhood master plan completed in 2006. Reflecting on where we were just 7 years ago, lower Kinsman had not witnessed new real estate development in over 40 years. With all that has been accomplished since then through the work of many community partners, the vision we will work with the community to create will be more than just a plan or a dream, it will serve as our destiny! For more information, call BBC at 216.341.1455. —Timothy L. Tramble

BBC's Guiding Principles



Often times, BBC is engulfed successively with performing the work of community development that we miss the opportunity to inform our stakeholders of how we approach our work. Leading into the year of 2014, we would like to share with our readers of the Community Connector the guiding principles and core organizational values that provide governance and operational context for which we do business. BBC's Board and Staff looks forward to serving our entire service area in the New Year and advancing the neighborhood vision of our residents and community stakeholders.

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- **HUMAN IMPACT**

All of our community development endeavors, including real estate development must have an element of human development.

- **CITIZEN LEADERSHIP**

We invest in the development of citizen leadership to sustain revitalization efforts and empower engagement and participation of all community stakeholders.

- **LEVERAGING INVESTMENT**

We engage in activities that encourage private as well as public investment in communities.

- **SOCIAL AND ECONOMIC IMPACT**

We invest in activities that positively improve social and economic conditions for citizens, businesses and all other community stakeholders.

- **TRANSPARENCY**

We are transparent and honest in our interactions with citizens, businesses, and any other stakeholders.

- **CONNECTING THE DISCONNECTED**

We are committed to effective citizen engagement especially reaching out to those who are difficult to contact or those citizens that are disengaged.

- **CARING STAFF FOR SUPERIOR SERVICE**

We value and foster BBC's staff contributions, competencies, commitments and dedication to our vision, mission, core values, goals and strategies to empower citizens and transform communities.

SUCCESS

Community Creates Plan for a Safer Kinsman Road

A community-driven planning process to improve Kinsman Road between East 68th and East 84th Streets for walking, cycling, and driving is now complete.

A public meeting was held in September 2013 for residents and stakeholders to voice their concerns with the existing Kinsman Road, develop goals for the study, and share their opinions about three alternative road designs. The alternative preferred by residents and stakeholders was developed by consultants and presented to the community in October 2013 for feedback.

Kinsman Road, as it exists today, is striped to allow one wide lane of traffic in each direction. However, it is effectively driven as two narrow lanes in each direction, due to excessive lane widths. That creates dangerous driving conditions for motorists.

The new plan calls for Kinsman Road to be striped as three lanes: one lane in each direction and a center turn lane. It will have the effect of calming vehicular traffic and reduce speeding, which has been a major concern of residents for years.

Signage and road markings will bring awareness to and communicate that cyclists are legally entitled to use the road and must be accommodated.

Most importantly, the plan calls for improvements to make Kinsman more walkable. A two-foot shoulder between the sidewalk and driving lane will provide extra space between vehicles and pedestrians on the sidewalk. Flashing school zone signs will slow traffic for students walking to and from Anton Grdina School. Further, a mid-block crossing would be positioned to stop traffic in front of the school and Bridgeport Place when a pedestrian presses a button. At East 75th Street, crosswalk distances would be shortened and countdown pedestrian signals would be installed so that people know how much time they have to cross the street.

Our goal is to work with the City of Cleveland to have the plan implemented within the next three years.

The plan for Kinsman Road can be downloaded online at tinyurl.com/kinsmanmmts. Copies are available at BBC's office at 7201 Kinsman Road, Suite 104 during normal business hours.

—Jeffrey Sugalski

BBC Provides Urban Farm Diet Field Experiences for Cleveland Students

BBC is honored to receive the Neighborhood Solution Award from the Cleveland Neighborhood Progress, Inc. for the Urban Agriculture and Urban Farm Diet Program. In partnership with Rid-All Green Partnership and the Cleveland Metropolitan School District, this program exposes youth to unconventional community learning environments while nurturing their understanding and appreciation of urban agriculture, permaculture, sustainability, and health and wellness in the Kinsman neighborhood.

Throughout 2014 youth will be offered a field experience at Rid-All Green Partnership, located at 8129 Otter Road, where they will tour the entire grounds and get hands-on instruction in urban agriculture. Then youth will travel to Cornucopia Place, located at 7201 Kinsman Road, where they will learn nutrition education and basic cooking skills. This field experience will tie together the math and science curriculum that students learn in the classroom with real life exposures to where food comes from the ground to the plate.

For more information or to register a classroom, please contact BBC at 216.341.1455.

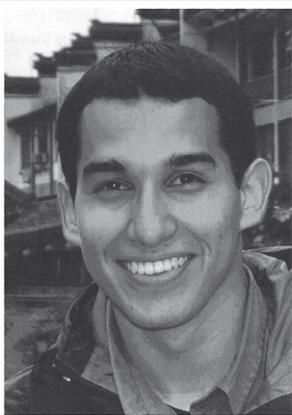
—Sherita Mullins



Damien Forshe giving an aquaponics tour at Rid-All Green Partnership



Sharon Glaspie teaching the Teen Chef class at Cornucopia Place



National Program Brings Architectural Fellow to Central and Kinsman

Join us as we welcome Erick Rodriguez to the BBC staff!

BBC and Detroit Shoreway Community Development Organization (DSCDO) were awarded one of six Enterprise Rose Architectural Fellows through a national competition. The prestigious three-year fellowship allows a well-credentialed architect to be embedded within a community development organization to share his/her skills and expertise in design.

Through a highly competitive process, BBC and DSCDO selected Erick Rodriguez as our fellow. Erick, a young architect from Los Angeles, CA, has worked on a variety of projects, from detailed designs of individual buildings to large-scale community plans. He also founded a nonprofit organization called CITY ART PLAY that focuses on creating rich outdoor learning experiences in urban communities.

"My goal is to implement my design skills to help educate and build meaningful spaces that people are proud to call home," says Erick. "I want to develop a more expansive definition of architecture that goes beyond the building."

Erick will play a key role in BBC's neighborhood planning efforts for Central and Kinsman, as well as furthering BBC's efforts to cultivate the Kinsman as an environmentally sustainable neighborhood. He will spend half of his time working in the Detroit Shoreway neighborhood on the near west side of Cleveland.

—Jeffrey Sugalski

In December 2013, United Way of Greater Cleveland and the Cleveland Metropolitan School District announced the selection of thirteen community nonprofits that will assist Cleveland schools in helping students reach academic success by implementing wraparound strategies. The nonprofit partners, called lead agencies, are incorporating social service support in seventeen local schools. BBC was selected as the Lead Agency for Anton Grdina in the Kinsman neighborhood.

According to United Way, adding social service support to schools has proven successful in other communities. This is the first time this innovative strategy will be implemented on a large scale in Cleveland.

The services provided in each school will be tailored specifically

to the school's students, families and the surrounding community. Community resources offered may include, but are not limited to academic support and enrichment; parent leadership and family engagement; medical, dental and mental health services and more.

BBC has hired Monique Williams as the Site Coordinator to serve as the liaison between BBC and Anton Grdina. Monique will work solely in Anton Grdina and is responsible for identifying appropriate social services to ensure the school, their students and the surrounding community receives needed support.

For more information about the wraparound strategy for Anton Grdina, visit www.LiveUnitedForKids.org or call BBC at 216.341.1455.

—Sherita Mullins

Bridgeport Mobile Market: *Thriving and Expanding to a Neighborhood Near You!!*

The Bridgeport Mobile Market which began in June 2013 has been the topic of conversation around Cleveland, being featured in Triumph magazine and The Plain Dealer among many other places.

The Bridgeport Mobile Market that originally started with thirteen locations and has now grown to have eighteen, hour-long, stops through the Kinsman, Central, Hough and Union Miles neighborhoods. Recently, the mobile market has added an addition; the Bridgeport Mobile Market Assistant, Trameika Rivers. Trameika, a Central resident, vegetarian and community gardener, has been a great addition using her knowledge of fruits and vegetables and sharing it with customers. Additionally, the Bridgeport Mobile Market has expanded its product line to include Kinsman's own Green City Growers Butter Lettuce and Orlando Baking fresh bread.

The Bridgeport Mobile Market has become a great opportunity for senior adults and disabled residents to get their produce right outside of their doorstep, allowing them to have access to healthy fresh food even from home. With the addition of schools and libraries sites, healthy food access is expanded to a wide range of age groups, even allowing children to have a convenient and accessible after-school snack without a trip to fast food restaurants or consuming sweets all while providing an educational experience.

For more information or to add a stop in your neighborhood, call Joy Dismukes the Market Operator at 216.400.2010, or BBC at 216.341.1455.

—Caitlyn Neely



Richard Fields BBC's New High School Intern

BBC welcomes our new high school intern Richard Fields. Richard is a senior at East Technical High School and lives in Central. While interning for BBC, Richard would like learn more about housing development and gain administrative skills. After graduating high school, Richard plans to attend college where he will learn how to start a bus transportation business.

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TRI-C'S OCCUPATIONAL THERAPY ASSISTANT PROGRAM PRESENTS: WELLNESS WEDNESDAYS

Calling all senior adults in the Kinsman and Central neighborhoods!

Starting in January 2014, Tri-C's Occupational Therapy Assistant Program will be hosting Wellness Wednesdays, an eight week series at Cornucopia Place. This series will feature free and fun health and wellness workshops every Wednesday from 10am-12pm. Students and staff of Tri-C's, metro campus, will lead interesting topics as it relates to the whole body, mind and soul. For more information or to register for this series, call BBC at 216.341.1455.

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Jan. 7	4:00 PM	Jr. Chef Cooking Class for ages 7 - 12 [4 week series every Tue.: Jan. 7 - Jan. 28]	Cornucopia Place	7201 Kinsman Road
Jan. 10	6:50 AM	Watch us on Fox 8's Kicking It With Kenny	Cornucopia Place	7201 Kinsman Road
Jan. 11	12:00 PM	Ward 5 Club Meeting	Vocational Guidance Services	2235 E. 55th Street
Jan. 22	10:00 AM	Wellness Wednesday's [8 week series every Wed.: 10am - 12pm]	Cornucopia Place	7201 Kinsman Road
Jan. 22	7:00 PM	4th District Police Comm. Relations Meeting	Covenant Comm. Church of Clev.	3342 East 119th Street
Jan. 28	7:00 PM	3rd District Police Comm. Relations Meeting	3rd District	10600 Chester Avenue
Feb. 8	12:00 PM	Ward 5 Club Meeting	Vocational Guidance Services	2235 E. 55th Street
Feb. 25	7:00 PM	3rd District Police Comm. Relations Meeting	3rd District	10600 Chester Avenue
Feb. 26	7:00 PM	4th District Police Comm. Relations Meeting	Covenant Comm. Church of Clev.	3342 East 119th Street
March 4	4:00 PM	Teen Chef Cooking Class for ages 13 - 17 [4 week series every Tue.: Mar. 4-Mar. 25]	Cornucopia Place	7201 Kinsman Road
March 8	12:00 PM	Ward 5 Club Meeting	Vocational Guidance Services	2235 E. 55th Street
March 15	12:00 PM	Easy Does It Cooking Class for adults [7 week series every Sat.: Mar. 15-Apr. 26] Registration Required!	Cornucopia Place	7201 Kinsman Road
March 25	7:00 PM	3rd District Police Comm. Relations Meeting	3rd District	10600 Chester Avenue
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