

#### YOURDESTINYISHEREINC Linda J. Ivey Ministries Greater Is Coming

#### **DESTINY** - WHERE IS THE LOVE?



It's February, and many hearts and minds are focused on showing their special someone how much they love them. We are each born with the ability to love. While we have the capacity to love, there is also within us the capacity to hate. Hate is an emotion that separates us. However, love is part of our DNA and has been proven to trigger neurotransmitters that make us feel good. Eros Love (passionate) for your significant other is exciting, but it's not the only love we were meant to experience or give. God also intended for us to experience Agape Love (mutual respect, trust, mercy, and compassion) for our fellow man. Love is the emotion that binds us together.

If we all loved the way God intended and created us to love, this world would be different. There would be more empathy, mercy, grace, tolerance, patience, equity, and truth shown to one another. We would stop looking at each other as enemies and see each other as friends. Then we would definitely have more peace in the world. While we don't all look the same, we are all made in God's image. He made each of us unique on purpose. Let's stop treating people who do not look like us or talk like us or act like us with contempt, and start seeking to find the God within one another. The different paths we each take towards our destiny walk starts with love for God and God is love.

#### WALKING IN DESTINY SCRIPTURES



This is my commandment: love each other just as I have loved you. *John* 15:12

The way you want others to treat you is how you should treat everyone else. *Luke 6:31* 

Don't withhold good from someone who deserves it, when it is in your power to do so. *Proverbs* 3:27

Instead of each person watching out for their own good, watch out for what is better for others. *Philippians 2:4* 

No one should seek their own good, but the good of others. 1 Corinthians 10:24

... Love your neighbor as yourself. Galatians 5:14B

Do nothing out of selfish ambition or vain conceit. Rather, in humility value others above yourselves. *Philippians 2:3* 



This month's Destiny Spotlight is on Your Destiny is Here, Inc.'s Advisory Board Member, Ms. Dominique Jones. Ms. Jones is a co-leader for YDH's Helping Women and Children in Crisis Advocacy Project, an author, and a single parent advocate. Following is our interview with Ms. Dominique Jones.

Destiny is reaching your full potential, your projected future of what you have been designed to do. I like helping people because it gives me a sense of purpose and ties in with my destiny. In fact, my three best traits are my ability to get along with people, to be empathetic, and my loyalty. I professionally work one-on-one with special needs children making a difference with the child and his parents. People know I care and support them. Just because a child is different or has difficult behavior, it doesn't mean the child is wrong. I work with a team of people to ensure that the children in my care are encouraged and supported. Unfortunately, most times these children are misunderstood and mislabeled. Just because they see the world differently than we do, the world judges them differently. It would really make a difference in the world if people understood that God genuinely loves us just the way we are.

I thought it was by accident that I came to work with special needs children, but it was really God positioning me. I started out in Healthcare Administration, working with insurance and medical billing. However, I needed a flexible job where I could work, go to school, and parent without being overwhelmed. A friend mentioned their agency was looking for people to work with special needs children. Once hired, I found I enjoyed it and was good at it.

When not working, I enjoy spending time with my son, going to his sporting events, where I am his biggest cheerleader. I also love working in ministry, singing Gospel music (I'm currently restarting a choir), and of course, I love my girl time. People would be surprised to know that the ocean and the beach are my places of peace. I feel closest to God there. I'm also an animal lover. I have a cat named Pepper who I love to pieces.

I'm now planning to finish getting my master's degree to become a therapist that leads people to healing, wholeness and reconciliation with Christ. I want to help people emotionally rebuild their confidence, and ultimately reach their destiny. God's Word reminds us that a kind word turns away much wrath. By completing my schooling and becoming a professional, I will have the credentials to speak to large audiences where I can promote understanding and tolerance.

The world needs more understanding and kindness towards each other. You never know what someone is going through. My past has had obstacles. Life happens - the COVID-19 pandemic, followed by a nation-wide quarantine, family members getting sick - which all brings on self-doubt. There were also challenges from my teachers who gave a tremendous amount of homework while I worked a full time job and took care of a child. Then I had a car accident which left us without transportation. Then after returning to school, my Father passed away, and I had another car accident. All challenges I couldn't let stop me.

I empathize with anyone who has lost their way or may be discouraged. Just remember why you were on your path in the first place. Take a moment to allow yourself to feel; then sit with it and finally sit with God. Next, set a new plan and don't give up. Connect with people you trust and who celebrate you. My destiny mentors are Rev. Linda Ivey and her sister, Rev. Betsy Ivey, Aunt Betsy. They push me and add strength and encouragement into my life. I admire their walk and the way they enjoy life. They pour into me with their knowledge, helping me set goals, and supporting me with the needed steps. They have been a blessing, and everyone should have mentors like them.

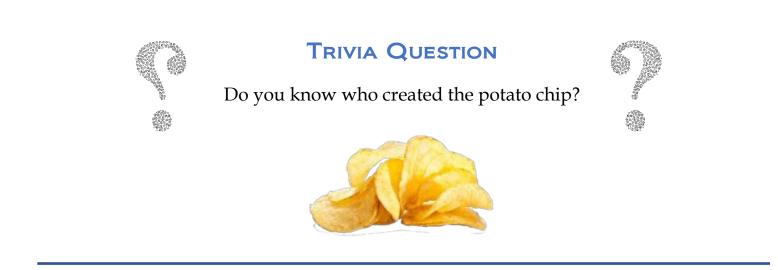
## CALL TO ACTION Show Love and Connect with One Another

As mentioned in this month's Destiny Message, if we are to walk in our path that reaches our destiny, we'll need to create more peace in the world by demonstrating more tolerance and understanding.



So how do we even begin? We must start by using compassion when looking at the people around us. We'd be surprised to find that we have more things in common with others than the differences everyone wants to point out.

So, who do we start with: the grocery store clerk, the pharmacy technician, the parking lot attendant, the clinic receptionist, the package delivery person. Your child's teacher or friend who is of a different race. How about your neighbor? Start by looking them in their eyes when we say "hello". Treat them the way you want to be treated by asking them about their day and thanking them for their service. Then we will be showing love and connecting with one another.



# ACCOUNTABILITY FOCUS

Staying abreast and aware of things that impact our lives.

#### WHAT WILL IT TAKE TO END VIOLENCE in the City of Brotherly Love?

Self control? Getting rid of guns? Getting to know one another instead of fearing each other?

As of February 6, 2022, there have been 40 homicides and 1,441 other violent crimes (rapes, robberies, and aggravated assaults) committed in the City of Philadelphia. Statistics from Philadelphia Police Department Crime Maps & Stats.

Statewide, more than 75,878 guns were sold in the month of January 2022. 50,445 of those were handguns and 25,433 were long guns (some military-style rifles). Statistics from and thetrace.org.

- Don't forget to keep your children safe. If you have a gun in your home along with children, you can request a free gun lock at any time from the "Safe Bet" program. To find out the location of the next community gun lock giveaway, please check templesafetynet.org for upcoming events. You can also **REQUEST A GUN LOCK HERE!**
- Click to find a list of resources for people affected by gun violence here.

#### **VOTING POWER**

Your vote matters, every vote matters. May 2, 2022 is the last day to register before the 5/17/2022 election. If you're elligible to vote but not registered, click here. https://www.vote.pa.gov/Register-to-Vote/Pages/default.aspx

#### POLICING

The City of Philadelphia announced that the Selection Panel for the Citizens Police Oversight Commission (CPOC) has completed its review of the 320 applicants who applied to serve as one of CPOC's initial nine commissioners.

The CPOC-spearheaded by Councilmember Curtis Jones, Jr. (4th District), is

an oversight agency designed to ensure the just, transparent, and efficient administration of criminal justice in Philadelphia through fair and timely investigations, and monitoring conduct, policies, and practices of the Philadelphia Police Department and its sworn personnel. The goal of its work is to expand accountability and transparency around the Police Department and its officers, and create better community interactions with law enforcement.

The Selection Panel will hold a virtual town hall on Monday, February 7, 2022 from 5 p.m - 7 **p.m.** to solicit feedback from the community.







# DISCOVERY



**Love is** patient, love is kind, it isn't jealous, it doesn't brag, it isn't arrogant, it isn't rude, it doesn't seek its own advantage, it isn't irritable, it doesn't keep a record of complaints, it isn't happy with injustice, but it is happy with the truth. Love puts up with all things, trusts in all things, hopes for all things, endures all things. Love never fails. 1 Corinthians 13:4-8

Search for words associated with love.

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# **RESOURCES** (In Philadelphia and the surrounding areas)

At the time of publication, resources listed were obtainable. Covid-19 resources change daily. We recommend you call and verify what you are interested in is still available.

#### <u>Please share the following with friends, family, neighbors and within your social and ministry circles.</u> <u>And feel free to post on your personal and church bulletin boards.</u> <u>These resources could help someone in need.</u>

# COVID-19

The Philadelphia health commissioner is optimistic as the city continues to battle coronavirus and the latest wave of the omicron variant, but says the pandemic restrictions will remain in place for now. Eventually they will be lifted, but not yet. So, let's continue to mask up, social distance, get vaccinated, boosted, and make sure our elderly and younger children are safe.

## Covid Relief

Philadelphians who have lost loved ones due to covid, can receive FEMA aid to cover funeral expenses, up to \$9,000 per person lost. Call 844-684-6333 to apply.

# Covid-19 Vaccines

As of February 2, 2022 – 1,204,405 persons have been fully vaccinated and 295,546 have received one dose, according to the City of Philadelphia Coronavirus dashboard.

 Most local pharmacies and some supermarkets are providing vaccines. Go into or call your neighborhood pharmacy for more information.



## Following are covid-19 vaccination sites by zip code:

# 19104

Health Center 3 Annex, Pop-Up Covid-19 Clinic: 4219 Chester Ave, Phila, 19104
 Mon, Feb. 7<sup>th</sup>, 8 am – 1 pm | Tue, Feb. 8<sup>th</sup>, 8 am – 3 pm | Tue, Feb, 15<sup>th</sup>, 8 am – 3 pm
 Mon, Feb 21<sup>st</sup>, 8 am – 1 pm | Tue, Feb 22<sup>nd</sup>, 8 am – 3 pm | Mon, Feb 28<sup>th</sup>, 8 am – 1 pm
 Open to all Philadelphians age 5 and older. To schedule an appointment call 215-685-2933.

## 19121

Berks Street Annex, Pop-Up Covid-19 Clinic: 2001 W. Berks St, Phila, 19121
 Mon, Feb 7<sup>th</sup>, 8 am – 1 pm | Tue, Feb 8<sup>th</sup>, 8 am – 3 pm | Wed, Feb, 9<sup>th</sup>, 8 am – 1 pm
 Tue, Feb 15<sup>th</sup>, 8 am – 3 pm | Wed, Feb 16<sup>th</sup>, 8 am – 1 pm | Mon, Feb 21<sup>st</sup>, 8 am – 1 pm
 Tue, Feb 22<sup>nd</sup>, 8 am – 3 pm | Wed, Feb 23<sup>rd</sup>, 8 am – 1 pm | Mon, Feb 28<sup>th</sup>, 8 am – 1 pm
 Open to all Philadelphians age 5 and older. To schedule an appointment call 215-685-2933.

## 19123

Health Center 6 Annex, Pop-Up Covid-19 Clinic: 301 W. Girard Ave, Phila, 19123
 Mon, Feb. 7<sup>th</sup>, 8 am – 1 pm | Tue, Feb. 8<sup>th</sup>, 8 am – 3 pm | Tues, Feb. 15<sup>th</sup>, 8 am – 3 pm
 Mon, Feb 21<sup>st</sup>, 8 am – 1 pm | Tue, Feb 22<sup>nd</sup>, 8 am – 3 pm | Mon, Feb 28<sup>th</sup>, 8 am – 1 pm
 Open to all Philadelphians age 5 and older. To schedule an appointment call 215-685-2933.

#### 19132

The Black Doctor's Consortium, 2001 W. Lehigh Avenue (20th & Dr. Ala Stanford Way) Phila, 19132, 1-844-4-BDC-DOC

Weekly, free, vaccinations and testing. Go to: <u>https://bdccares.com/appointments/#events</u> for the weekly schedule at the Dr. Ala Stanford Center for Equity (ASHE)

## 19138

Belfield Rec Center, Covid Vaccine Clinic: 2109 W. Chew Ave, Phila, 19138
 10 am – 4 pm, Thursdays, Feb 10<sup>th</sup> and 24<sup>th</sup>
 Pfizer (ages 5+) and Johnson and Johnson | Vaccines are free, no insurance required Walk-ups encouraged, No ID required, Free SEPTA passes on site

#### 19149

Health Center 10 Annex, Pop-Up Covid-19 Clinic: 2230 Cottman Ave, Phila, 19149
 Mon, Feb 7<sup>th</sup>, 8 am – 1 pm | Tue, Feb, 8<sup>th</sup>, 8 am – 3 pm | Wed, Feb 9<sup>th</sup>, 8 am – 1 pm
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## **Black History Moment**

African American nurse Mary Van Brittan Brown, devised an early security unitfor her own home. She and her husband took out a patent for the system in the same year, and they were awarded the patent three years later, in 1969. Home security systems commonly used today took various elements from her design.



# COVID-19 TESTING

Following are covid-19 testing sites by zip code.

#### 19122

 Greater St. Matthew Baptist Church, PDPH Mobile Testing Unit 1538 W. Wingohocking St, Phila, 19122
 9 am – 1 pm on Fri, Feb 18<sup>th</sup> and Fri, Feb 25<sup>th</sup> No out-of-pocket costs. No appointments required. Rapid testing available Walk-up testing with on-site registration

#### 19124

- Concilio, PDPH Mobile Testing Unit: 141 E. Hunting Park Ave, Phila, 19124
  9 am 1 pm on Thur, Feb 10<sup>th</sup>, Thur, Feb 17<sup>th</sup>, and Thur, Feb 24<sup>th</sup>
  No out-of-pocket costs. No appointments required. Rapid testing available
  Walk-up testing with on-site registration
- National Wholesale Liquidators, PDPH Mobile Testing Unit: 900 Orthodox St, Phila, 19124
  9 am 1 pm on Fri, Feb 18<sup>th</sup> and Sat, Feb 26<sup>th</sup>
  No out-of-pocket costs. No appointments required. Rapid testing available
  Walk-up testing with on-site registration

#### 19132

 The Black Doctor's Consortium, 2001 W. Lehigh Avenue (20th & Dr. Ala Stanford Way) Phila, 19132, 1-844-4-BDC-DOC

Weekly, free, vaccinations and testing. Go to: <u>https://bdccares.com/appointments/#events</u> for the weekly schedule at the Dr. Ala Stanford Center for Equity (ASHE)

 Murrell Dobbins High School, <u>Test For All Tuesdays</u>: 2150 Lehigh Ave, Phila, 19132 Free covid-19 testing for all Philadelphia residents.
 11 am to 1:00 pm on Tue, Feb 8<sup>th</sup>, Tue, Feb 15<sup>th</sup>, and Tue, Feb 22<sup>nd</sup> No appointment required, walk-ups welcome. 267-436-3126

#### 19138

 Masjidullah – The Center for Excellence, PDPH Mobile Testing Unit 7401 Limekiln Pike, Phila, 19138

9 am – 1 pm on Tue, Feb. 8<sup>th</sup>, Tue, Feb 15<sup>th</sup>, and Tue, Feb.  $22^{nd}$  | No out-of-pocket costs. Walk-up test w/on-site registration. No appointments required. Rapid testing available

New Journey Christian Center, PDPH Mobile Testing Unit: 5728 Ardleigh St, Phila, 19138
 9 am – 1 pm on Wed, Feb 9<sup>th</sup>, Wed, Feb 16<sup>th</sup>, and Wed, Feb 23<sup>rd</sup>
 No out-of-pocket costs. No appointments required. Rapid testing available
 Walk-up testing with on-site registration

#### 19140

- Beloved St. John Evangelistic, PDPH Mobile Testing Unit: 4541 N. Broad St, Phila, 19140
  9 am 1 pm on Thur, Feb 10<sup>th</sup>, Thur, Feb 17<sup>th</sup>, and Thur, Feb 24<sup>th</sup> | No out-of-pocket costs. No appointments required. Walk-up testing with on-site registration. Rapid testing available.
- Cousins Supermarkets, PDPH Mobile Testing Unit: 4037 N. 5<sup>th</sup> St, Phila, 19140
  9 am 1 pm on Fri, Feb 18<sup>th</sup>, Sat, Feb 19<sup>th</sup>, Fri, Feb 25<sup>th</sup>, and Sat, Feb 26<sup>th</sup>
  No out-of-pocket costs. No appointments required. Rapid testing available
  Walk-up testing with on-site registration

#### 19144

New Hope Outreach Center (lot across from Wayne & Clapier), PDPH Mobile Testing Unit 4919 Wayne Ave, Phila, 19144

9 am – 1 pm on Wed, Feb 9<sup>th</sup>, Wed, Feb 16<sup>th</sup>, and Wed, Feb 23<sup>rd</sup> No out-of-pocket costs. No appointments required. Rapid testing available Walk-up testing with on-site registration

#### 19149

Oak Street Health Roosevelt, PDPH Mobile Testing Unit: 2311 Cottman Ave, Phila, #71, 19149
 9 am – 1 pm on Tue, Feb. 8<sup>th</sup>, Tue, Feb 15<sup>th</sup>, and Tue, Feb 22<sup>nd</sup>
 No out-of-pocket costs. No appointments required. Rapid testing available
 Walk-up testing with on-site registration |

#### 19153

Cibotti Recreation Center, CDC/HHS Covid Testing: 2500 S. 77<sup>th</sup> St, Phila. 19153
 7 am – 5 pm on Mon, Feb 7<sup>th</sup>, Tue, Feb 8<sup>th</sup>, Wed, Feb 9<sup>th</sup>, Thur, Feb 10<sup>th</sup>, Tue, Feb 15<sup>th</sup>, Wed, Feb 16<sup>th</sup>, and Thur, Feb 17<sup>th</sup> | Walk-ups accepted
 Schedule appointments at <u>https://doineedacovid19test.com/</u> or by calling 1-800-635-8611

# • Food Resources

- Food assistance resources from PA Office of Gov. Wolf https://www.agriculture.pa.gov/Food\_Security/Pages/Resources.aspx
- To find locations near you, go to the link below and put in your zip code: <u>https://www.philabundance.org/find-food/</u>

Following are food distribution sites by zip code.

#### 19104

Every Friday @ 2 pm – Chosen 300-West Philadelphia
 3959 Lancaster Ave, Phila, 19104 | 215-243-0300
 Drive or walk thru | Sponsored by Chosen 300 Ministries, Inc.



#### 19119

 New Covenant Church of Philadelphia | 7500 Germantown Ave, Phila, 19119 Saturdays, 1 pm

## 19121

 Fresh For All Wednesdays | Greater Enon Missionary Baptist Church 1854 N. 22<sup>nd</sup> St, Phila, 19121 | 215-765-3135 This weekly produce stand is free to all and runs weather dependent. Find it in front of the school. 12:30 pm - 1:30 pm - Wed, Feb 9<sup>th</sup> | Wed, Feb 16<sup>th</sup> | Wed, Feb 23<sup>rd</sup>

#### 19132

• **Community Food Pantry, Panati Playground**: 3100 N. 22<sup>nd</sup> St, Phila, 19132 Every Wednesday, 9:30 am until food is gone. Anyone needing food is eligible.

## 19141

Tuesday mornings, starting at 9:30 – 10:30 am: Einstein Healthcare Network and Philabundance provide a weekly produce market where fresh fruits and vegetables are distributed at no cost. At the corner of 11<sup>th</sup> Street @W. Clarkson Street. Phila, 19141 on the Einstein Medical Center Philadelphia campus.

## 19144

• Providence Baptist Church, 87 E. Haines St, Phila, 19144, February 12th, 11 am – 2 pm

# Household Assistance

• Tenants in 19121 and 19139

Philadelphia tenants no longer have to face eviction alone. You now have a Right to Counsel during eviction hearings. Call the Philly Tenant Hotline, 267-443-2500 or visit phila.gov/right-to-counsel to find out if you're eligible. Even if you don't live in either of these zip codes, call 267-443-2500 or visit phila.gov/right-to-counsel for advice and possible representation.

Philadelphia's new Right to Counsel law guarantees free legal representation to eligible lowincome renters. Eligible renters have a Right to Counsel when they face:

- Eviction proceedings.
- Lease or other tenancy termination proceedings.
- PHA housing subsidy termination proceedings.

Under these circumstances, Right to Counsel is available for:

- Judicial proceedings, such as those in Municipal Court.
- Administrative proceedings, such as those held by the Fair Housing Commission.

Visit the Right to Council webpage below to learn more!

https://www.phila.gov/services/property-lots-housing/get-free-legal-help-to-avoid-eviction/

#### Heating Bill Assistance

The Low Income Home Energy Assistance Program (LIHEAP) helps families living on low incomes pay their heating bills in the form of a cash grant. The program is now open. Click here for more information: https://www.dhs.pa.gov/Services/Assistance/Pages/LIHEAP.aspx

- <u>Water Assistance Program:</u> The new Low-Income Household Water Assistance Program (LIHWAP) is now open. You may be able to get up to \$5,000 for past-due water and wastewater bills. Learn more at <u>this link</u>.
- Philadelphia residents may call 3-1-1 to receive a free smoke alarm installation. You can also <u>submit a request to Philly 311 online</u>.

# ADULTS

• <u>**DadLab</u>** | Meetings held online with Zoom</u>

The transition to fatherhood can feel overwhelming. Sharing your experiences and learning from others can help you build confidence and bond with your baby. That's why **Einstein Medical Center of Philadelphia** offers DadLab, a group designed for new fathers to learn about being a dad. At DadLab, you won't be lectured on the "right" way to father. Instead, you'll have an opportunity to share your fathering experiences, concerns and questions. You'll connect with other dads going through the same things as you. New moms and partners are also included in DadLab because everyone benefits when co-parents communicate and coordinate their care.

For meeting times, call or text DadLab Director Jay Cherney at 215-690-1029 or email him at cherney.jay@gmail.com. Or, contact Co-facilitator Clarence B. Iszard at 484-471-7005 or iszardc@einstein.edu.

## FINANCIAL

#### • <u>Black Generational Wealth Series</u> Tell the Vision: Opportunities to build with the City of Philadelphia

Thursday, February 10th | 6 pm – 8 pm

Communicating your vision to potential partners can be a difficult task. Come and learn best practices of partnering with the City of Philadelphia. Learn how to take advantage of city contracts, grants, and other projects to grow your business. Hear from city leaders on the requirements as well as minority-owned businesses who have had success in securing City contracts. Sign up here: <u>bit.ly/tellthevisionBGW</u> Info from the Mayor's Office of Black Male Engagement, Mayor's Office of Public.







# <u>Black Generational Wealth Series</u> Build to Last: Business Strategies to Endure Challenging Times

Thursday, February 17<sup>th</sup> | 6 pm – 8 pm

Need help building, rebuilding or sustaining your business? Join us as we learn the tips and strategies to build Black-owned businesses that last. Come and hear from our city's Commerce Department and various business owners about the tools available to develop solid businesses that endure the test of time and trials. COVID-19 changed everything for everyone. Let's prepare our businesses and ideas with the tools necessary for longevity. Sign up here: <u>bit.ly/buildtolastBGW</u>. *Info from the Mayor's Office of Black Male Engagement, Mayor's Office of Public* 

# <u>Black Generational Wealth Series</u> What's Next: Transferring Knowledge to the Next Generation

Thursday, February 24<sup>th</sup> | 6 pm – 8 pm

It's been said "complacency is the enemy of progress". Join the Mayor's Office of Black Male Engagement as we discuss strategies for the continued advancement and transfer of generational wealth. This workshop will feature vital information about insurance, estate planning, and how to pass your assets and business to the next generation. Sign up here: <u>bit.ly/whatsnextBGW</u> *Info from the Mayor's Office of Black Male Engagement, Mayor's Office of Public* 

# JOB OPPORTUNITIES

## Patient Services Representative at CHOP! WPSI is recruiting across Philadelphia

Seeking patient-focused, computer-savvy individuals with customer service experience. Patient Services Representatives can be stationed in Emergency Department, Admissions, or Outpatient settings and are responsible for greeting patients and families, collecting & entering demographic and insurance information, collecting payments associated with services rendered, and other duties as needed. Commitment to the full training schedule is a must. This program is online, so consistent access to a laptop or desktop computer, broadband internet, a webcam, and a word processing program like Microsoft Word, Google Documents, or similar are essential to training completion.

- Have complete schedule flexibility
- Be tobacco-free
- Provide proof of full COVID-19 vaccination by March 11th, 2022
- Facilitated group conversations Monday Friday 2/28 3/18, 9AM 12PM
- Additional one on one and small group virtual meetings several times a week between 1pm 3pm
- Approximately 2 hours of daily reading and reflection exercises

# <u>APPLY TODAY</u>! The deadline is Friday, February 11th, 2022 at 5pm.

What is WPSI? The West Philadelphia Skills Initiative (WPSI) designs and runs programs which connect you to the tools and supports needed to build a career that is meaningful to you.

# TRAINING

## Civilian Police Academy Overview Class #54 (CPA)

The CPA is open to all citizens of Philadelphia 18 or older, without regard to race, sex or religious beliefs. The classes are designed to represent the diverse population and neighborhoods of Philadelphia.

The Civilian Police Academy (CPA) was formed as a special program to welcome and include all Philadelphians in the operation of their police department. Throughout the length of the Civilian Police Academy experience, attendees learn first hand the policies, procedures and practices of the Philadelphia Police Department; somewhat like the recruit officer's training process at the Philadelphia Police Academy. The Civilian Police Academy is a multi-faceted, interactive opportunity for responsible Philadelphians to learn what municipal policing is all about. The overall purpose of the CPA is to produce informed graduates who will return to their neighborhoods with a more positive view of the police function, and assist them in recognizing the varied problems facing today's urban police officer. The Philadelphia Police Department's Civilian Police Academy's motto is: "Understanding Through Education And Training" where an atmosphere of community spirit is the key to improving the quality of life in Philadelphia.

The CPA is NOT designed to teach civilians to patrol the streets of Philadelphia, but to aid the trained Police Officer in the performance of their duties by creating an educated citizen who is more aware of the policies, laws and procedures that guide an officer's actions in the community. The CPA consists of eight (8) nightly sessions held once a week.

Philadelphia Police Department Civilian Police Academy Class #54 April 6 to June 1, 2022 All Wednesdays – 6:30pm to 9:30pm.

Click here:

**<u>APPLICATION</u>** (Submit by March 2, 2022) (Fill out both sides completely) Contact Person – Corporal Megan Fabrizio @ 215-934-4147. <u>EmailMegan.Fabrizio@phila.gov</u>

# JUST FOR FUN

## Valentine's Day Bingo

Mantua Civic Association and the 16th District presents seasoned citizens Valentine's Day Bingo, Monday, February 14, 2022 - 12:30pm – 3:00pm MCA Community Center | 3729 Melon St, Phila, 19104 Refreshments, Prizes And Music

Your Destiny is Here, Inc. is providing resource information as a public service for persons in need. While we try to keep the information timely and accurate, we make no guarantees. Services provided by listed organizations and businesses are the sole responsibility of the organization or business.

## **TRIVIA QUESTION ANSWER**

Do you know who created the potato chip?





<u>George Crum</u>

Mr. Crum was working as a chef at a resort in New York. A customer sent his dish of French fries back to the kitchen, claiming that they weren't good. In an irritated fit, Crum cut the potatoes as thinly as possible, fried them until they were burnt crisps, and threw a generous handful of salt on top. Thus, the chip was born.

## FINALLY ...

Virtual Screening of the movie, HARRIET, February 26, 2022, 6:00 PM to 8:00 PM Mother Bethel AME Church

Rev. Mark Tyler of Mother Bethel AME will provide an introduction to the virtual screening of Harriet (2019), directed by Kasi Lemmons and starring Cynthia Erivo, Janelle Monae, and Leslie Odom Jr.

Rev. Tyler will give remarks about the storied history of Mother Bethel AME in the abolition movement, and its connection to Harriet Tubman. Rev. Tyler is a community leader, documentary filmmaker, a radio host, and a consultant on numerous films about religion and culture. Following Rev. Dr. Tyler's introduction, enjoy the free virtual screening of the movie Harriet (2019). Sign up here!

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