





### **DESTINY** - Jesus Christ - Walking in Destiny



The earth reawakens every Springtime and nature moves at the beat of its Creator: trees begin to bud, grass begins to grow, flowers begin to bloom, and the birds begin to sing. Even the sun rises earlier and its light shines longer. While the earth does what it was created to do - making seasonal changes, awakening, growing, resting, and then repeating the process, Springtime is special because it ushers in Easter. Easter is when we celebrate Jesus' resurrection, the most wonderful act of love and benevolence ever presented to everyone in the world.

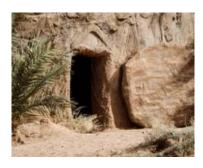
Like the seasons, Jesus who was created by God, volunteered to go through seasonal changes. Christ followed the path God laid out for Him. He gave up divinity, came to earth in a human body, to show the extent of the love God has

for mankind. Jesus accepted being crucified, buried, and rising on the third day so mankind could be forgiven and redeemed.

Man was also created by God to go through seasonal changes, and we are given the choice to move on the path God has for us, or to follow our own path. Either choice will have challenges. However, walking in the path God has for us, like nature, is truly the best choice since it's filled with promises, blessings, and everlasting life.

As we think about our destiny this month and the paths we choose, take a moment to give thanks to the One who provided our past, is conscience of our present, and guides our future.

### WALKING IN DESTINY SCRIPTURES



Praise be to the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ! In his great mercy he has given us new birth into a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead. *1 Peter 1:*3

They found the stone rolled away from the tomb, but when they entered, they did not find the body of the Lord Jesus. *Luke* 24:2-3

He is not here; he has risen! Luke 24:6-7

He was buried, and He was raised from the dead on the third day, just as the Scriptures said. *1 Corinthians* 15:4

Christ Jesus who died — more than that, who was raised to life — is at the right hand of God and is also interceding for us. *Romans* 8:34

### DESTINY SPOTLIGHT



# Min. Gloria A. Pickens

This month's Destiny Spotlight is on Your Destiny is Here, Inc.'s Advisory Board Member Minister Gloria A. Pickens. The following is our interview with Minister Pickens.

Destiny is your preordained path from God; yesterday I was a teacher and today I am a minister. I believed God when He said in Jeremiah 29:11, "For I know the thoughts that I think toward you, saith the Lord, thoughts of peace, and not of evil, to give you an expected end." I knew the Lord was with me every step of the way. I was born and raised in Philadelphia, and I moved towards my destiny every day with faith and confidence. I'm living a multifaceted life as a retired middle school teacher, a recording artist, an author, and a radio talk host.

Being a teacher was very rewarding. I was destined to teach: first school, then bible study and now preaching and teaching from the pulpit. I love mentoring children and young adults. I always represented myself as a positive, pleasant, and Godly role model for my students. When you pour out to others, you can see how they absorb the information and learn from it. You can feel how you're really making a difference in their lives. When I taught, I was so excited, and I never thought of it as a job. My students were eager to learn; it was my assignment from God.

As an aspiring Gospel Artist, I spend a lot of time writing and recording songs. I minister in song, which brings me peace and comfort. If I am going through something I pray and sing my way through it. The world is thirsty. They want to hear The Word of God and I enjoy spreading the Gospel of Jesus Christ. My songs minister and preach God's Word as life's lessons that give instructions on how to navigate into your destiny. This has also been my practice as an author and Talk Show Host. I was a contributing author to the book, "The Marys" and have hosted two talk shows and it does not yet appear what I shall be, but I know I shall be like Him.

One Sunday morning as I sat quietly in church, my Pastor, Franklin Williamson, called me and two other members to the front of the church. I had served as an usher and door keeper in the back of my church for 43 years when God moved me from the back door to the pulpit. Pastor Williamson stated God spoke to him, informing him that He had called me to become a minister. When I was younger something bothered me because I always knew there was something else, I was supposed to be doing more than singing and ushering in church. Every day I would try to figure it out until Pastor Williams' declaration. God had answered my prayers and I never felt uncertain again.

After accepting The Call, I took Minister in Training classes. Pastor Williamson mentored me with helpful instructions that brought clarity to God's Word as well as introducing me to ministerial procedures and protocol. Being a female minister has been challenging. Especially wondering whether other male pastors would accept me. I have encountered several obstacles from male Pastors on my journey as a female minister. There has been blatant disrespect from pastors who were opposed to women preaching: they would not make me feel comfortable, some of them wouldn't shake my hand and many wouldn't allow women to sit in their pulpit. I had to remember Philippians 4:11-13, "I can do all things through Christ which strengthens me". That scripture helped me to move forward.

To all my brothers and sisters who are struggling, stay strong, you have many reasons to be thankful, most importantly, God's love. I love seeing smiles on other people's faces. Two of my best traits are encouraging others and being faithful. I love to help people by encouraging them to trust God, to meditate, sing, read, walk, write songs, and check up on the elderly. No one is perfect, we all have come short of the glory of God; even me. Pray because prayer changes things and recite John 3:16, "For God so loved the world that he gave his only son, that whoever believes in him should not perish but have eternal life." Life is not easy, but with the guidance of the Holy Spirit, we must help others know they can make it.



### TRIVIA QUESTION

What is the story behind coloring boiled eggs for Easter?





# CONGRATULATIONS JUDGE KETANJI BROWN JACKSON, ON BEING CONFIRMED TO THE SUPREME COURT ON THURSDAY, APRIL 7, 2022

When President Joe Biden introduced her as his nominee for the United States Supreme Court, Judge Ketanji Brown Jackson said, "I can only hope that my life and career, my love of this country and the Constitution, will inspire future generations of Americans."



Born in Washington, D.C., and raised in Miami, Florida, Judge Jackson began her legal career with three clerkships, including one with U.S. Supreme Court Associate Justice Stephen Breyer. Prior to her elevation to an appellate court, from 2013 to 2021, she served as a district judge for the United States District Court for the District of Columbia. Judge Jackson was also vice chair of the United States Sentencing Commission from 2010 to 2014. Since 2016, she has been a member of the Harvard Board of Overseers.

On February 25, 2022, President Joe Biden nominated Judge Jackson to be an associate justice of the Supreme Court of the United States, filling the vacancy

created by Breyer's retirement. The vote on Thursday, April 7, 2022 means Jackson will take office at the end of the court's current term — likely in June or July.

# CALL TO ACTION FORGIVENESS, OUR RESPONSE TO ADVERSE SITUATIONS

OK, so let's talk about the elephant in the living rooms of many homes. It's our reactions and thoughts around the slap at the Oscars which was heard around the world by Will Smith against Chris Rock.

Many have talked about what they would have done if they had been in Rock's position. Rock was doing what comedians do, poking fun at people in



the audience; especially if you're seated in the front near the stage. Everyone knows if you sit in the front seats during a comedic performance; you're likely to be part of the show. Smith who initially laughed at Rock's joke, then strolled onto the stage, and, well, the rest is history. Unfortunately, many people take offense so quickly, resulting in domestic violence, road rage, drive-by shootings, and storming of the Capital. All are avoidable when people self-monitor their feelings and exercised self-control as they consider the consequences of their actions and their destiny. The overwhelming response from the entertainment culture is to excommunicate Smith and herald Rock for his composed demeanor.

Like Rock, we all have found ourselves in this type of conflicting circumstances; having our lighthearted or well-intended interactions misinterpreted resulting in our being misunderstood or embarrassed. Do you remember how you responded; did your immediate response solve or escalate the problem? As we continue to focus on our destinies and our reactions to adverse situations, we must be mindful that our thoughts, our attitudes, and feelings in these types of exchanges must line up with what God would have for us and our future. God is calling us to enlarge our territory, but we must have self-control.

God's word reminds us that the battle is not against flesh and blood, but against rulers and powers of the darkness. We can be angry but not to the point of sinning. We must recognize that we have an enemy who does not want us drawing closer to God and will do everything in his power to stop us. In spite of wrongdoing, everyone deserves a second chance. Don't count someone out because of something stupid they did earlier in their life. Don't let the sun go down on your wrath. Allow them to reconsider their actions and change for the better.



Thank God He didn't and doesn't hold our wrongs, and our sins against us. He will forgive us if we are faithful and just and we need to walk in that same forgiveness with others.

### **ACCOUNTABILITY Focus** - Staying abreast and aware of things that impact our lives.

### **▶** Focusing on the Children

God calls them a blessing, a reward. Most of us do too, especially when they are babies, and we can rock them in our arms and kiss their little toes. As they grow in age, in size, in intellect, our responsibility to lead and guide them increases. When they start school and interact with other children and friends, we need to keep up with and stay abreast of what they are doing, how they are spending their time and who they are spending their time with. What are they learning outside of the household and does it line up with what we are teaching and modeling at home. Yes it takes time, and no it is not always easy, but if we start when they are young, it will make life better not only in our families but in our communities also.

▶ <u>Hands Around City Hall</u> | Philadelphia City Hall, 1400 John F Kennedy Blvd, Phila, PA 19107 Friday, April 29<sup>th</sup>, 12 pm – 2 pm

Help form a human chain around City Hall by joining hands in a moment of silence as we honor the many people who have experienced sexual assault; drawing attention to the work that needs to be done to ensure continued support of survivors and provide resources from many partner organizations. Sign up: <a href="mailto:bit.ly/HandsAroundCityHall">bit.ly/HandsAroundCityHall</a>

### **▶** What Will It Take To End Violence in the City of Brotherly Love?

In the state of Pennsylvania, approximately 1600 persons lost their lives through gun violence in 2021. Over one-third of that number happened in Philadelphia. (Philadelphia, the <u>tiny</u> <u>pink</u> spot on the right side bottom.)

Statewide (PA), more than 76,000 guns were sold in the month of March 2022. **Almost 53,000** of those were handguns and over 23,000 were long guns (some military-style rifles). *Statistics from thetrace.org*.



As of April 3, 2022, there have been 117 homicides and 3,543 other violent crimes (rapes, robberies, and aggravated assaults) committed in the City of Philadelphia. *Statistics from Philadelphia Police Department Crime Maps & Stats*.

### CeaseFirePA

Their vision - A life without gun violence that allows people from every community across the commonwealth to thrive — where communities feel safe, because they are safe.

Their mission – To organize with communities closest to the issue, holds those in power accountable and maximizes the strengths of every member in its broad coalition – understanding that the strongest work is work done by many.

Gun violence is worsening, and the only people standing in the way of change are a few lawmakers in key positions. Your voice, your political power, more than anything else, will impact whether our future will be a worsening storm of violence or the changing of tides. Join us on April 26th for Advocacy Day. The day will be packed with opportunities to use your political power to make our communities safer and hold our elected leaders accountable for their inaction.

**Who:** Pennsylvania Advocates for Gun Violence Prevention, in partnership with

CeaseFirePA and organizational partners

**When:** April 26, 2022, from 9 AM to 3 PM **Where:** PA State Capitol in Harrisburg, PA

Click here to RSVP.

### Temple Safety Net

As the trauma center that treats the most gun victims of any hospital in the commonwealth of Pennsylvania, **Temple University Hospital (TUH)** finds itself on the front lines of a public health crisis that has wounded more than 25,000 Philadelphians during the past 17 years. As such, TUH has created a series of innovative outreach efforts — from violence prevention programs to first aid training to gun safety education — that aim to reduce the number of Philadelphians who suffer firearm injury. Together, these initiatives make up the **Temple Safety Net**.

### • Cradle to Grave - Gun Violence Prevention Through Education

One of the only hospital-based violence prevention programs of its kind, Cradle to Grave offers young people a behind-the-scenes look into the physical, emotional, and social realities of firearm injury. During the 2-hour program, participants explore the real life and death experiences of a Philadelphia teen whose story serves as the backdrop for this unflinching look at gun violence. Since its inception in 2006, more than 13,000 young people have participated in this unique award-winning program. If you are interested in bringing a group of young people to Cradle to Grave, please visit our Schedule a Visit page.

## • Fighting Chance - Bystander First Aid Training

Temple University Hospital's Trauma and Emergency Medicine Departments have developed a successful community outreach program that educates residents in traumarelated bystander aid and is currently training a local cadre to facilitate community-driven instruction. Borrowing from combat medicine's best practice guidelines, and with input from community stakeholders and leaders from the Philadelphia Police Department, TUH created Fighting Chance. Through Fighting Chance, TUH physicians and nurses provide

lifesaving skills training to communities suffering some of the highest rates of penetrating injury in the state. To date, the Fighting Chance program has taught thousands of residents living in violence plagued neighborhoods how to provide first aid to their friends, neighbors, and family members.

Fighting Chance trainings are free of charge and are facilitated by Temple University Hospital volunteers in the very communities where they are requested. During the 2-hour training, facilitators use video, audio, lecture and hands-on instruction to educate citizens in the fundamentals of bystander aid. By the end of the training, participants will be versed in the basics of hemorrhage control, as well as such things as: personal safety, proximal pressure points, tourniquets, pressure dressings, positional airway management, material utilization, and scene control.

Everyone who completes the training will receive a certificate of participation.

### • Victim Advocates – Providing Support to Patients and Families

Temple University Hospital offers 24-hour support to patients who are treated in our Emergency Department or admitted to our trauma service for a crime-related injury. Our hospital's Trauma Victim Support Advocates are here to assist crime victims in meeting their physical, emotional, and personal needs both during and after their care at Temple Health. These advocates perform a variety of functions, including: offering comfort to patients in the trauma bay, updating families about their loved ones' conditions, providing grief support to families of homicide victims, linking survivors to crime victim services, and offering emotional support to patients after they've been discharged from the hospital, to name a few.

To help ensure that patients who are victims of crime receive the support they need, regardless of where they reside, we have teamed up with North Philadelphia's community-based agencies. This collaborative, comprised of Northwest Victim Services, North Central Victim Services, Congreso de Latinos Unidos and Concilio, links traumatically injured patients with victim advocates before they've even left the hospital.

One resource that is available to crime victims is the Victims Compensation Assistance Program. Though it is generally considered the payer of last resort, VCAP can assist with such things as: medical expenses, counseling, loss of earning, loss of support, funeral costs, travel costs, childcare, stolen cash, relocation, crime scene cleanup, other costs.

### • Safe Bet - Gun Safety

In the United States, roughly 4.6 million children live in homes with at least one unlocked and loaded gun, according to a study in the Journal of Urban Health. **Each day, at least eight children are wounded or killed in unintentional shootings.** In an effort to prevent unintentional shootings, Temple University Hospital's *Safe Bet* program offers free cable gun locks — no questions asked — to Philadelphia families who have small children and firearms. 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. https://www.templesafetynet.org/request-a-gun-lock

For more information on Temple Safety Net, it's programs and events, go to <a href="https://www.templesafetynet.org/">https://www.templesafetynet.org/</a>

### LEGISLATION

### • The Crown Act

The U. S. House of Representatives on Friday, March 18, passed the Crown Act, legislation that would ban discrimination against individuals based on how they choose to wear their hair. The legislation prohibits discrimination "based on the individual's hair texture or hairstyle, if that hair texture or that hairstyle is commonly associated with a particular race or national origin." Among the hairstyles mentioned in the legislation are those "in which hair is tightly coiled or tightly curled, locs, cornrows, twists, braids, Bantu knots, and Afros."

Crown stands for Creating a Respectful and Open World for Natural Hair. The Crown Act prohibits "discrimination based on an individual's texture or style of hair." The Crown Act will now move to the Senate.

### • The Emmett Till Antilynching Act

A United States federal law which makes lynching a federal hate crime. It was passed by the U.S House of Representatives on February 28, 2022, and U.S. Senate on March 7, 2022; and signed into law on March 29, 2022, by President Joe Biden on Tuesday, March 29, 2022. The bill was named after 14-year-old Emmett Till, who was lynched in Mississippi in 1955, sparking national and international outrage. A federal antilynching bill had been in discussion for over a century and had been proposed hundreds of times.

### VOTING

• The deadline to register to vote or update your voter registration for the 2022 primary election is May 2. <u>Register online</u>.

### **DISCOVERY**



"I rejoice at Your word, as one who finds great treasure". Psalm 119:162

The word of God is truth. What truths do we find in God's word that came to light in the resurrection of Jesus Christ?

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**ANOINTING BALM CALL** COMFORTER **CROWN DELIVERANCE FAVOR FORGIVE FREEDOM GIFT GRACE HEALER** JOY **LIBERTY** LIFE LIGHT **LOVE PEACE REDEMPTION RIGHTEOUSNESS SALVATION TRUTH VENGEANCE VERDICT** 



## 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 that what you are interested in is still available.

Please share the following with friends, family, neighbors and within your social and ministry circles.

Feel free to post on your personal and church bulletin boards.

These resources could help someone in need.

### COVID-19

Although the Covid-19 response level was lowered to Level 1 last month, Philadelphians are being asked to start wearing masks again in public spaces due to infections spiking again. Remember, that we know more about the virus than we did two years ago, but there is a lot we still don't know, especially with different variants popping up. Advocate for yourself, your family and loved ones. If wearing a mask helps protect us all, then let's do it. Think about it: it's not like walking around with a 100 pound weight, it's just a paper or cloth mask on your face. Such a small thing to do to keep yourself healthy.

### 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 April 4, 2022 – 1,250,778 persons have been fully vaccinated and 292,243 have received one dose, according to the City of Philadelphia Coronavirus dashboard.

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



Following are covid-19 <u>Vaccination Sites</u> by zip code.

### 19104

### Health Center 3 Annex, Pop-Up Covid-19 Clinic: 4219 Chester Ave, Phila, 19104

Mon, Apr. 11th, 8 am – 1 pm | Tue, Apr 12<sup>th</sup>, 8 am – 3 pm | Mon, Apr 18<sup>th</sup>, 8 am – 1 pm Tue, Apr 19<sup>th</sup>, 8 am – 3 pm | Mon. Apr 25<sup>th</sup> – 8 am – 1 pm | Tue, Apr 26<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, Apr 11<sup>th</sup>, 8 am – 1 pm | Tue, Apr 12<sup>th</sup>, 8 am – 3 pm | Wed, Apr 13<sup>th</sup>, 8 am – 1 pm Mon, Apr 18<sup>th</sup>, 8 am – 1 pm | Tue, Apr 19<sup>th</sup>, 8 am – 3 pm | Wed, Apr 20<sup>th</sup> – 8 am – 1 pm Mon, Apr 25<sup>th</sup> – 8 am – 1 pm | Tue, Apr 26<sup>th</sup>, 8 am – 3 pm | Wed, Apr 27<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, Apr 11<sup>th</sup>, 8 am – 1 pm | Tue, Apr 12<sup>th</sup>, 8 am – 3 pm | Mon, Apr 18<sup>th</sup>, 8 am – 1 pm
Tue, Apr 19<sup>th</sup>, 8 am – 3 pm | Mon Apr 25<sup>th</sup>, 8 am – 1 pm | Tue, Apr 26<sup>th</sup>, 8 am – 3 pm
Open to all Philadelphians age 5 and older. To schedule an appointment call 215-685-2933.

### 19132

# <u>The Black Doctor's Consortium</u>, 2001 W. Lehigh Avenue (20th & Dr. Ala Stanford Way) Weekly, free, vaccinations and testing. Go to: <a href="https://bdccares.com/appointments/#events">https://bdccares.com/appointments/#events</a> for the weekly schedule at the Dr. Ala Stanford Center for Equity (ASHE) 1-844-4-BDC-DOC

### 19145

<u>Vaccine Clinic</u>: Dixon House Settlement; 1920 S. 20<sup>th</sup> St, Phila, 19145 Tue Apr 19<sup>th</sup>, 1 pm -4 pm. Bethanna, CUA # 8. For registration call: 267-524-2470 or267-294-0410

### 19149

# <u>Health Center 10 Annex</u>, Pop-Up Covid-19 Clinic: 2230 Cottman Ave, Phila, 19149 Mon, Apr 11<sup>th</sup>, 8 am – 1 pm | Tue Apr 12<sup>th</sup>, 8 am – 3 pm | Wed Apr 13<sup>th</sup>, 8 am – 1 pm Mon Apr 18<sup>th</sup>, 8 am – 1 pm | Tue, Apr 19<sup>th</sup>, 8 am – 3 pm | Wed, Apr 20<sup>th</sup>, 8 am – 1 pm Wed, Apr 20<sup>th</sup>, 8 am – 1 pm | Mon, Apr 25<sup>th</sup>, 8 am – 1 pm | Tue, Apr 26<sup>th</sup>, 8 am – 3 pm Wed, Apr 27<sup>th</sup>, 8 am – 1 pm

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### Covid-19 Testing

Following are covid-19 **Testing Sites** by zip code.

### 19102

### PDPH DISTRIBUTION ONLY of At-Home Covid Testing Kits

Amtrak Philadelphia Train Station | 2955 Market St, Phila, PA 19102

10:00 am – 3:00 pm on the following; Fri, Apr 8<sup>th</sup>; Mon, Apr 11<sup>th</sup>; Wed, Apr 13<sup>th</sup>; Fri, Apr 15<sup>th</sup>; Mon, Apr 18<sup>th</sup>; Wed, Apr 20<sup>th</sup>; Fri, Apr 22<sup>nd</sup>; Mon, Apr 25<sup>th</sup>; Wed, Apr 27<sup>th</sup>; Fri, Apr 29<sup>th</sup>

No insurance or ID needed. One kit per person. PDPH staff available on-site to provide instructions on how to use the test, isolation/quarantine guidance, and to answer questions.

#### 19104

## Mount Olivet Tabernacle Baptist | Penn Covid Trace Community Testing

647 N. 42<sup>nd</sup> St, Phila 19104

10 am - 1 pm on Thursdays - Apr 14th, Apr 21st, Apr 28th

English & Spanish spoken at testing site. No appointment required. Walk-up site. No testing restrictions. Covid Trace phone #: 267-271-0785

### 19120

### PDPH DISTRIBUTION ONLY of At-Home Covid Testing Kits

Mi Salud Wellness Center, 200 E Wyoming Ave, Phila, PA 19120

Fri, Apr 8<sup>th</sup>, 7:30 am – 1:30 pm | Mon, Apr 11<sup>th</sup>, 9 am - 4 pm | Tue, Apr 12<sup>th</sup>, 11:30 am - 6:30 pm Wed, Apr 13<sup>th</sup>, 7:30 am – 1:30 pm | Thu, Apr 14<sup>th</sup>, 9 am – 4 pm | Mon, Apr 18<sup>th</sup>, 9 am – 4 pm Tue, Apr 19<sup>th</sup>, 11:30 am – 6:30 pm | Wed, Apr 20<sup>th</sup>, 7:30 am – 1:30 pm | Thu, Apr 21<sup>st</sup>, 9 am – 4 pm Fri, Apr 22<sup>nd</sup>, 7:30 am – 1:30 pm | Mon, Apr 25<sup>th</sup>, 9 am – 4 pm | Tue, Apr 26<sup>th</sup>, 11:30 am – 6:30 pm Wed, Apr 27<sup>th</sup>, 7:30 am – 1:30 pm | Thu Apr 28<sup>th</sup>, 9 am – 4 pm | Fri, Apr 29<sup>th</sup>, 7:30 am – 1:30 pm

No insurance or ID needed. One kit per person. PDPH staff available on-site to provide instructions on how to use the test, isolation/quarantine guidance, and answer questions

### 19122

### <u>Cousins Supermarket</u> - PDPH Mobile Community Covid-19 Testing Event 1900 N. 5<sup>th</sup> St, Phila, 19122

9 am – 1 pm on Saturdays – Apr 9th, Apr  $23^{rd}$  and Apr  $30^{th}$ 

No out-of-pocket costs. No appointments required. Walk-up testing. Rapid testing available.

### Norris Square Community Alliance - Philadelphia FIGHT Testing Event 174 Diamond St, Phila, 19122

11 am - 1 pm on Wednesdays - Apr 13th, Apr 20th, and Apr 27th

No out-of-pocket costs. No appointments required. Walk-up testing. Pediatric testing offered.

### 19124

- Concilio, PDPH Mobile Testing Unit: 141 E. Hunting Park Ave, Phila, 19124
   9 am 1 pm on Thursdays Apr 14<sup>th</sup>, Apr 21<sup>st</sup>, and Apr 28<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 Saturdays Apr 9<sup>th</sup>, Apr 23<sup>rd</sup>, and Apr 30<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 (20<sup>th</sup> & Dr. Ala Stanford Way) Phila, 19132, 1-844-4-BDC-DOC

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

Murrell Dobbins High School, Test For All Tuesdays: 2150 Lehigh Ave, Phila, 19132 11 am to 1 pm on Tuesdays – Apr 12<sup>th</sup>, Apr 19<sup>th</sup>, and Apr 26<sup>th</sup> Free covid-19 testing for all Philadelphia residents. No appointment required. Walk-ups welcome. 267-436-3126

### 19134

Penn Covid Trace Community Testing | Prevention Point Philadelphia 2919 Ruth St, Phila, PA 19134

Tue, Apr 12<sup>th</sup>, 1:30 pm – 3 pm | Wed, Apr 13<sup>th</sup>, 12:30 pm – 3 pm | Tue, Apr 19<sup>th</sup>, 12:30 pm – 3 pm Wed, Apr 20<sup>th</sup>, 12:30 pm – 3 pm | Tue, Apr 26<sup>th</sup>, 12:30 pm – 3 pm | Tue, Apr 26<sup>th</sup>, 1 pm – 3 pm Wed, Apr 27<sup>th</sup>, 12:30 pm – 3 pm

English & Spanish spoken at testing site. No appointments required. Walk-up site. No testing restrictions. COVID Trace phone #: 267-271-0785

► <u>The Simple Way</u> | Philadelphia FIGHT - Community Testing Event 3234 Potter St, 19134

1 pm – 3 pm on Tuesdays – Apr 12<sup>th</sup> and Apr 19<sup>th</sup> No out-of-pocket costs. No appointments required. Walk-up testing. Pediatric testing offered.

### 19138

▶ PDPH DISTRIBUTION ONLY of At-Home Covid Testing Kits Shoppes at LaSalle Resource Hub, 5301 Chew Ave, Phila, PA 19138 10:30 am - 5:30 pm on the following: Tue, Apr 12<sup>th</sup>, Wed, Apr 13<sup>th</sup>, Thu, Apr 14<sup>th</sup>, Mon, Apr 18<sup>th</sup>, Tue, Apr 19<sup>th</sup>, Wed, Apr 20<sup>th</sup>, Thu, Apr 21<sup>st</sup>, Fri, Apr 22<sup>nd</sup>, Sat, Apr 23<sup>rd</sup>, Mon, Apr 25<sup>th</sup>, Tue, Apr 26<sup>th</sup>, Wed, Apr 27<sup>th</sup>, Thu, Apr 28<sup>th</sup>, Fri, Apr 29<sup>th</sup>, Sat, Apr 30<sup>th</sup> No insurance or ID needed. One kit per person. PDPH staff available on-site to provide instructions on how to use the test, isolation/quarantine guidance, and answer questions

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

9 am – 1 pm on Tuesday – Apr 12<sup>th</sup>, Apr 19<sup>th</sup>, Apr 26<sup>th</sup>, No out-of-pocket costs. Walk-up test w/on-site registration. No appointments required. Rapid testing available

## ▶ PDPH Mobile Testing Unit: <u>New Journey Christian Center</u> (parking lot) 1001 E. Chelten Ave, Phila, 19138

9 am – 1 pm on Fridays - Apr 8<sup>th</sup>, Apr 22<sup>nd</sup>, Apr 29<sup>th</sup> No out-of-pocket costs. No appointments required. Rapid testing available. Walk-up testing with on-site registration

### 19139

## PDPH Mobile Testing Unit

Oak Street Health Primary Care - Cobbs Creek Clinic

6232 Market St, Phila, 19139

9 am - 1 pm on Wednesdays - Apr 13th, Apr 20th, 27th

No out of pocket costs. No appointments required. Walk-up testing with on-site registration. Rapid testing available.

### 19140

### ▶ PDPH **DISTRIBUTION ONLY** of At-Home Covid Testing Kits

<u>Tioga United Resource Hub</u>, 1549 W. Venango St, Phila, PA 19140 2:30 am – 7 pm on the following: Fri, Apr 8<sup>th</sup>, Sun, Apr 10<sup>th</sup>, Mon, Apr 11<sup>th</sup>, Tue, Apr 12<sup>th</sup>, Wed, Apr 13<sup>th</sup>, Thu, Apr 14<sup>th</sup>, Mon, Apr 18<sup>th</sup>, Wed, Apr 20<sup>th</sup>, Thu, Apr 21<sup>st</sup>, Fri, Apr 22<sup>nd</sup>, Sun, Apr 24<sup>th</sup>, Mon, Apr 25<sup>th</sup>, Tue, Apr 26<sup>th</sup>, Wed, Apr 27<sup>th</sup>, Thu, Apr 28<sup>th</sup>, Fri, Apr 29<sup>th</sup>. No insurance or ID needed. One kit per person. PDPH staff available on-site to provide instructions on how to use the test, isolation/quarantine guidance, and answer questions.

# Cousins Supermarkets, PDPH Mobile Testing Unit: 4037 N. 5<sup>th</sup> St, Phila, 19140 9 am - 1 pm on Fridays - Apr 8<sup>th</sup>, Apr 22<sup>nd</sup> and Apr 29<sup>th</sup> No out-of-pocket costs. No appointments required. Rapid testing available. Walk-up testing with on-site registration

### 19143

## ▶ PDPH **DISTRIBUTION ONLY** of At-Home Covid Testing Kits

Bethany Baptist Church, 5747 Warrington Ave, Phila, PA | 19143

Fri, Apr 8th, 10:30 am - 5:30 pm | Sat, Apr 9th, 9:30 am - 12:30 pm | Mon, Apr 11th, 10:30 am - 5:30 pm | Tue, Apr 12th, 10:30 am - 5:30 pm | Wed, Apr 13th, 10:30 am - 5:30 pm | Thu, Apr 14th, 10:30 am - 5:30 pm | Mon, Apr 18th, 10:30 am - 5:30 pm | Tue, Apr 19th, 10:30 am - 5:30 pm | Wed, Apr 20th, 10:30 am - 5:30 pm | Thu Apr 21st, 10:30 am - 5:30 pm, Fri, Apr 22nd, 10:30 am - 5:30 pm | Sat, Apr 23rd, 9:30 am - 12:30 pm | Mon, Apr 25th, 10:30 am - 5:30 pm | Tue, Apr 26th, 10:30 am - 5:30 pm | Wed, Apr 27th, 10:30 am - 5:30 pm Thu, Apr 28th, 10:30 pm - 5:30 pm | Fri, Apr 29th, 10:30 am - 5:30 pm | Sat, Apr 30th, 9:30 am - 12:30 pm;

No insurance or ID needed. One kit per person. PDPH staff available on-site to provide instructions on how to use the test, isolation/quarantine guidance, and answer questions.

### 19144

### New Hope Outreach Center, PDPH Community Testing Event

4919 Wayne Ave, Phila, 19144 (Lot across from Wayne & Clapier)
9 am – 1 pm on Wednesdays - Apr, 13<sup>th</sup>, Apr 20<sup>th</sup>, and Apr 27<sup>th</sup>
No out of pocket costs. No appointments required. Walk-up testing with on-site registration. Rapid testing available.

## Philadelphia FIGHT - Community Covid-19 Testing Event, <u>Face to Face</u> 123 E. Price Street, Phila, 19144

9:30 am to 11:30 am on Mondays – Apr 11<sup>th</sup> , Apr 18<sup>th</sup>, and Apr 25<sup>th</sup> No out of pocket costs. No appointments required. Walk-up testing. Pediatric testing offered.

### 19148

### ▶ PDPH DISTRIBUTION ONLY of At-Home Covid Testing Kits

Whitman Plaza Resource Hub, 330 W. Oregon Ave, Phila, PA 19148
11:30 am – 6:30 pm on the following: Fri, Apr 8<sup>th</sup>, Sun, Apr 10<sup>th</sup>, Mon, Apr 11<sup>th</sup>, Tue, Apr 12<sup>th</sup>, Wed, Apr 13<sup>th</sup>, Thu, Apr 14<sup>th</sup>, Mon, Apr 18<sup>th</sup>, Tue, Apr 19<sup>th</sup>, Wed, Apr 20<sup>th</sup>, Thu, Apr 21<sup>st</sup>, Fri, Apr 22<sup>nd</sup>, Sun, Apr 24<sup>th</sup>, Mon Apr 25<sup>th</sup>, Tue, Apr 26<sup>th</sup>, Wed, Apr 27<sup>th</sup>, Thu, Apr 18<sup>th</sup>, Fri, Apr 29<sup>th</sup>

No insurance or ID needed. One kit per person. PDPH staff available on-site to provide instructions on how to use the test, isolation/quarantine guidance, and answer questions.

### ▶ PDPH DISTRIBUTION ONLY of At-Home Covid Testing Kits

Mt. Enon Baptist Church Resource Hub, 500 Snyder Ave, Phila, PA 19148
Fri, Apr 8th, 11:30 am – 6:30 pm; Sat, Apr 9th, 9:30 am – 4:30 pm; Mon, Apr 11th, 11:30 am – 6:30 pm; Tue, Apr 12th, 11:30 am – 6:30 pm; Wed, Apr 13th, 9:30 am – 4:30 pm; Wed, Apr 13th, 11:30 am – 6:30 pm; Thu, Apr 14th, 11:30 am – 6:30 pm; Mon, Apr 18th, 11:30 am – 6:30 pm; Tue, Apr 19th, 11:30 am – 6:30 pm; Wed, Apr 20th, 11:30 am – 4:30 pm; Thu Apr 21st, 11:30 am – 6:30 am; Fri, Apr 22nd, 11:30 am – 6:30 pm; Sat Apr 23rd, 9:30 am – 4:40 pm; Mon, Apr 25th, 11:30 am – 6:30 pm; Tue, Apr 26th, 11:30 am – 6:30 pm; Wed, Apr 27th, 9:30 am – 4:30 pm; Wed, Apr 27th, 11:30 am – 6:30 pm; Thu, Apr 28th, 11:30 am – 6:30 pm;

Fri, Apr 29<sup>th</sup>, 11:30 am – 6:30 pm; Fri, Apr 30<sup>th</sup>, 9:30 am – 4:30 pm No insurance or ID needed. One kit per person. PDPH staff available on-site to provide instructions on how to use the test, isolation/quarantine guidance, and answer questions.

### ▶ Oak Street Health Primary Care - South Philly Clinic, PDPH Testing Event 2310 S. Christopher Columbus Blvd, Phila, 19148

9 am to 1 pm on Thursdays – Apr 14<sup>th</sup>, Apr 21<sup>st</sup>, and Apr 28<sup>th</sup> No out-of-pocket costs. No appointments required. Rapid testing available. Walk-up testing with on-site registration.

## ▶ Philadelphia FIGHT - Community Covid-19 Testing Event Mufflin Square Park, 500 Wolf St, Phila, 19148

11 am – 1 pm on Thursdays – Apr, 14<sup>th</sup>, Apr 21<sup>st</sup>, and Apr 28<sup>th</sup> No out-of-pocket costs. No appointments required. Walk-up testing. Pediatric testing offered.

#### 19149

PDPH Mobile Testing Unit - Community COVID-19 Testing Event
 Oak Street Health Roosevelt, 2311 Cottman Ave #71, Philadelphia, PA 19149
 9 am - 1 pm on Tuesdays - Apr, 12th, Apr 19th, and Apr 26th
 No out-of-pocket costs. No appointments required. Walk-up testing with on-site registration.
 Rapid testing available.

## 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: <a href="https://www.philabundance.org/find-food/">https://www.philabundance.org/find-food/</a>



Following are <u>Food Distribution Sites</u> by zip code.

#### 19119

New Covenant Church of Philadelphia | 7500 Germantown Ave, Phila, 19119 Every Saturday, 1 pm until food is distributed. Anyone needing food is eligible. **No distribution Saturday, April 16**<sup>th</sup>.

#### 19121

Fresh For All Wednesdays | Greater Enon Missionary Baptist Church 1854 N. 22<sup>nd</sup> St, Phila, 19121 | 215-765-3135

12:30 pm – 1:30 pm on Wednesdays – Apr 13<sup>th</sup>, Apr 20<sup>th</sup> and Apr 27<sup>th</sup> Weekly produce stand. Free to all, runs weather dependent. Find it in front of the school.

### 19148

Southwark School 1835 S 9th St, Philadelphia, PA 19148 3:15 pm - 3:45 pm on Thursdays - Apr 21st and Apr 28th

### **NEIGHBORHOODS**

### Philadelphia Roadmap to Safer Communities -Community Listening Tours

You are invited to join the City of Philadelphia Agency staff, Law Enforcement, and community partners to discuss violence prevention.

Hear more about **the Philadelphia Roadmap to Safer Communities**, the City's public health approach to violent crime, and share your vision for violence prevention in your community.



### Following are the community meetings in date order.

### Nicetown

Nicetown Community Development Corporation, 4300 Germantown Ave, Phila, PA 19140 Tuesday, April 12th, 6 pm to 7:30 pm

Register for in-person attendance here: <a href="https://forms.gle/RwKcByRh13dA99aCA">https://forms.gle/RwKcByRh13dA99aCA</a> (50 Attendee In-Person Limit)

Register for the Zoom here:

https://us02web.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZMtceitrzoiGNZjuVgbWJiaLmVcF4ut69Iy

### West Philly

6136 Cedar Ave, Philadelphia, PA 19143

Tuesday, April 19th, 6 pm to 8 pm

Register for in-person attendance here: <a href="https://forms.gle/RwKcByRh13dA99aCA">https://forms.gle/RwKcByRh13dA99aCA</a> (50 Attendee In-Person Limit)

Register for the Zoom here:

 $\underline{https://us02web.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZIpduuuqTguE9ABEyzDRQp8yW1n9F5\_shb5}$ 

### • Lawncrest/NE Philly

6000 Rising Sun Ave, Phila, PA 19111

Thursday, April 21st, 6 pm to 8 pm

Register for in-person attendance here: <a href="https://forms.gle/RwKcByRh13dA99aCA">https://forms.gle/RwKcByRh13dA99aCA</a> (50 Attendee In-Person Limit)

Register for the Zoom here:

 $\underline{https://us02web.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZUrdOmgrjkoHtzAc-krxtDR4-rF1mWsqc1w}$ 

## • Transfiguration Baptist Church

6136 Cedar Ave, Phila, PA 19143

Tuesday, April 26th, 6 pm to 8 pm

Register for in-person attendance here: <a href="https://forms.gle/RwKcByRh13dA99aCA">https://forms.gle/RwKcByRh13dA99aCA</a> (50 Attendee In-Person Limit)

Register for the Zoom here:

https://us02web.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZcpd-uurDojGNG7NzBTf22bACeh-N9-kyf7

### Dimples for Days - Youth Focused Event

3501 Haverford Ave, Phila, PA 19104 Wednesday, April 27th, 6 pm to 8 pm

Register for in-person attendance here: <a href="https://forms.gle/RwKcByRh13dA99aCA">https://forms.gle/RwKcByRh13dA99aCA</a> (50 Attendee In-Person Limit)

Register for the Zoom here:

https://us02web.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZMrc-GgqjspH9zHxBu1WZAFvummXm-lOkMT

### ▶ Philly Spring Cleanup | From the City of Philadelphia

The Streets Department is excited to announce a very special Philly Spring Cleanup (PSC). This year, they are celebrating 15-years of Community Cleaning Partnerships.

The department wants to put an end to litter and illegal dumping—not just on Cleanup day, but once and for all. The more residents who participate, the better. Join your neighbors as they come together to make our neighborhoods and our City even more beautiful.

The Street Department's signature event has served as the City's largest cleanup event taking place citywide in a single day. Residents can register a project — including park and neighborhood cleanups — or register as a volunteer for an existing project at <a href="mailto:phillyspringcleanup.com">phillyspringcleanup.com</a>. Project Registration Deadline, Friday, March 18th. Cleanup Event Saturday, April 2, 2022 from 9AM – 2PM.

- PMBC Clean Block Cleanup 9 am 2 pm on Saturdays Apr 9<sup>th</sup>, Apr 23<sup>rd</sup> and Apr 30<sup>th</sup>
  - The Philadelphia More Beautiful Committee (PMBC) will host neighborhood cleanups in the 2nd, 7th, 8th, and 15th Police Districts. PMBC Clean Block Officers help coordinate cleaning activities with registered Block Captains and their neighbors. Block Captains are provided limited cleaning tools and supplies to support cleanup efforts. Litter and trash is collected by the Streets Department's Sanitation Division after the clean up. Interested participants should contact PMBC at 215-685-3981 three weeks in advance of the scheduled cleanup date.
- ▶ <u>Music Throughout The City</u> | March 25<sup>th</sup> through April 10<sup>th</sup> | *info Excerpted from Billy Penn* A two-week roving concert series called <u>Rehearsing Philadelphia</u> kicked off yesterday. Through April 10, <u>musicians will perform in public spaces</u> throughout the city, culminating in the debut of the Public Orchestra, a new ensemble. Click here for more information and schedule: <a href="https://www.rehearsingphiladelphia.com/">https://www.rehearsingphiladelphia.com/</a>

## ▶ Governor Wolf Announces 1-4-3 Day 2022, Calling for Kindness | May 23, 2022

In advance of Fred Rogers' birthday on Sunday, March 20, Gov. Tom Wolf announced Pennsylvania's fourth annual 1-4-3 Day will take place on Monday, May 23, the 143rd day of 2022, encouraging Pennsylvanians to save the date and show their neighbors additional kindness, generosity, and love. The tradition began in 2019 and was intended to inspire a statewide movement to honor beloved Pittsburgh-native Fred Rogers.

Best known for his role in the television series, *Mister Rogers' Neighborhood*, Fred Rogers continuously demonstrated compassion and kindness, and embodied what it means to be a good neighbor. Rogers used 1-4-3 as another way of saying "I love you" with the numbers representing the number of letters in each word. The Wolf Administration is urging all Pennsylvanians and beyond to spread kindness by doing a good deed for someone in their life – like a neighbor, a stranger in their community, or others in need.

▶ <u>We Walk PHL</u> | Whitaker Ave and Loudon St, Phila, PA 19120 9:30 am - 10:30 am - Saturdays - Apr 9<sup>th</sup>, Apr 16<sup>th</sup>, and Apr 23<sup>rd</sup>

Take a healthy stroll in the park. Join your neighbors every Saturday morning for a healthy and empowering stroll on the Tacony Creek Park trail as a part of We Walk PHL. On Saturdays, we meet from 9:30am–10:30am near Tacony Creek Park. All are welcome to join us for this free walking group. The trail is a paved, fairly flat Circuit Trail; all ages and abilities are encouraged to join us. Please bring a face mask and keep six feet away from other attendees. Attendees can walk in to participate or email:

doryan@ttfwatershed.org. https://www.facebook.com/events/1836559229869181/?event\_time\_id =1836559236535847

## HOUSEHOLD ASSISTANCE

### **▶** 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 closes for this season on May 6, 2022. For more information and application go to:

https://www.peco.com/MyAccount/CustomerSupport/Pages/LIHEAP.aspx

If you have questions or need help with the application process, call the hotline, 800-344-3574.

### ▶ Water Assistance Program/LIHWAP

The Low-Income Household Water Assistance Program (LIHWAP) is a temporary emergency program to help low-income families pay overdue water bills. LIHWAP is a grant. **You do not have to repay it**. LIHWAP crisis grants may be available if you have an emergency situation and are in jeopardy of losing your water service. You can receive one crisis grant for your drinking water service and one crisis grant for your wastewater service, up to \$2,500 each. **Crisis situations include**:



- Past-due water bills.
- Termination of utility service.
- Danger of having utility service terminated (received a notice that service will be shut off within the next 60 days).

### How to Apply

- Online: <u>www.compass.state.pa.us</u>
- **Paper**: You can download a paper application, print it, fill it out, and return it to your local county assistance office.
  - LIHWAP Paper Application English (PDF)
  - <u>LIHWAP Paper Application Spanish (PDF)</u>
- **Phone**: Request an application by calling the Statewide Customer Service Center at 877-395-8930 or call PA Relay at 711 for the hearing impaired.
- **In-Person**: Applications are available at your local <u>county assistance office</u>. For more information go to: https://www.dhs.pa.gov/Services/Assistance/Pages/LIHWAP.aspx

### Smoke Alarms

Philadelphia residents may call 3-1-1 to receive a free smoke alarm installation. You can also submit a request to Philly 311 online.



### **▶** Let's Talk Safety

Fire Commissioner Adam Thiel hosts his monthly talk show on WURD-900AM. Saturday, April 9, 2022, 3 pm to 4:00 pm.



### **▶** Household Hazardous Waste Drop-Offs

Philadelphia residents may drop off items labeled: toxic, flammable, corrosive or reactive at events offered across the City.

Handling and disposing of hazardous waste materials requires a special set of regulations due to the potential damage the items can cause people, pets and the environment. New PA Department of Environmental Protection COVID protocols require residents to pre-register and schedule an appointment to drop



off materials at an event. Computers are not accepted at any of the Household Hazardous Waste events as they can be taken to any of the <u>Sanitation Convenience Centers</u> during normal business hours.

When and Where

Saturday, May 14, 2022 - West Philadelphia, N. 48th and Parkside Ave., 19131

Saturday, June 18, 2022 - Northwest Philadelphia, 300 Domino Lane, 19128

Thursday, July 14, 2022 - Northeast Philadelphia, 8401 State Rd., 19136

Saturday, Sept. 17, 2022 - North Philadelphia, W. York St. & N. 22nd St., 19132

Saturday, Oct. 22, 2022 - Southwest Philadelphia. 3033 S. 63rd St., 19153

Saturday, Nov. 5, 2022 - Port Richmond, 3901 N. Delaware Ave., 19137

<u>Click here</u> for details on products that will be accepted. For additional information, please visit the Streets Department's <u>website</u>. For all City services, call 311."

### **ADULTS**

▶ <u>DadLab</u> | Meetings held online with Zoom | Sponsored by Einstein Medical Center of Philadelphia

This is a group designed for new fathers to learn about being a dad. Transitioning to fatherhood can be overwhelming. Sharing your experiences and learning from others can help you build confidence and bond with your baby. You won't be lectured on the "right" way to father. 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 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 Cofacilitator Clarence B. Iszard at 484-471-7005 or <a href="iszardc@einstein.edu">iszardc@einstein.edu</a>.



### ▶ 5th Brothas Stroll for Black Male Health

Health Center 4, 4400 Haverford Ave, Philadelphia, PA 19104, USA April 23<sup>rd</sup>, 11 am to 1 pm

The Brothas Stroll Health Walk is an opportunity for Black men to take control of their health care. These walks not only provide an opportunity to exercise and connect to local medical resources, but also serve as a gathering for Black men and their families for fellowship.

This initiative was inspired by the report <u>Brotherly Love: Health of Black Men and Boys in Philadelphia</u> issued by the City in March of 2019. This is the first-ever report that highlighted the unique challenges faced by Black men and boys in Philadelphia today and laid the groundwork for actionable steps that can be taken to improve their health outcomes.

Sign up here: <u>bit.ly/BrothasStroll5PHL</u>

### ▶ Kauffman FastTrac

Virtual classes - 6 pm to 9 pm - Wednesdays - April 20th and 27th

The Kauffman FastTrac® series is an educational program, created by entrepreneurs for entrepreneurs, which is designed to help you evaluate and perfect your business concept, as well as complete a comprehensive business plan.

Whether you're starting a food truck or a factory, a construction company or a consulting firm, you need a plan. This 10-week series offered twice a year can help. The program is most appropriate for those who are within a year of launching their business; either you're within a year of launching your business or have launched within the past year and are seeking a plan for establishing your business.

You will study with a group of entrepreneurs, experienced facilitators, and people with start-up business experience who understand the pitfalls of starting a new enterprise.

For more information and to register, go to <a href="https://www.fasttrac.org/why-fasttrac/">https://www.fasttrac.org/why-fasttrac/</a>

### ▶ CEA Learning Series: Community Meeting Management

April 20th, 6 pm to 7:30 pm via Zoom

Topic this month:

How to host a successful meeting and manage conflict

The Civic Engagement Academy (CEA) is a free training program that provides community members with the tools to create lasting positive change. The trainings encourage local problem-solving and prepare residents to become community leaders, organizers, and activists.

The Civic Engagement Academy Learning Series offers training sessions throughout the year. These trainings provide tools and strategies that Philadelphians can apply to their work within their own communities.

The topics of the trainings vary from month to month. There is no cost to attend.

REGISTER FOR A LEARNING SERIES TRAINING

### Virtual Parent Café: Breaking the Cycle of Abuse

Thursday, April 21st, 3 pm to 6 pm BETHANNA, CUA # 8 – Contact for information and registration: Carlotta Stafford at <u>Cstafford@bethanna.org</u> or 267-524-2470 or Khadija Hudgins-Bey at <u>Khudginsbey@bethanna.org</u> or 267-294-0410

### Virtual Parent Café: Harvest Your Blessings!

Thursday, April 21st, 5 pm to 7 pm

### TABOR COMMUNITY PARTNERS, CUA #6

For more information and registration, contact John Brezina @ <u>John.Brezina@tabor.org</u>, 267-398-6254. A discussion focused on knowledge of parenting and child development; social emotional competence. Co-hosted with NET, CUA 7.

### Virtual Community Event: Discipline Then vs. Now: Knowing the Signs

Friday, April 22<sup>nd</sup>, 5 pm – 7 pm

Discussion focused on knowledge of parenting and child development

**Sponsored by NET, CUA #1. For more information and registration, contact:** Jeanine Baxter, **Jeanine.Baxter@Net-centers.org** or Cidni Simpson <u>Cidni.Simpson@Net-centers.org</u> 267-339-0656, Ext. 1656.

### Virtual Parent Café: Discipline for Success

April 26th, 5:30 pm to 7:30 pm

A discussion focused on knowledge of parenting and child development; social connections. Sponsored by APM, CUA #2. For more information and to register contact: Samary Malaye, Samary.Malaye@apmphila.org, 267-507-1343. Co-hosted with Bethanna, CUA 8.

## **▶** Volunteers Needed - Plant Trees Along the River

Pennypack On The Delaware

Saturday, April 23rd, 9 am to 12 pm

Help plant trees along the Delaware River in Pennypack on the Delaware Park. All ages and abilities welcome. No experience needed, tools and training provided. Enjoy a beautiful morning by the river and help the your neighborhood environment for generations to come!

Registration encouraged:

https://forms.gle/cUUC7PzFzckMQrMc6 https://www.facebook.com/events/3339430059639423/

## CHILDREN

## ► Community Event: Community Flea Market – FREE Children's Clothing

Wednesday, April 20<sup>th</sup>, 2 pm to 4 pm William Hunter Elementary School 2400 N Front St, Phila, PA 19133

**FREE Children's Clothing.** Contact APM, CUA#2 for additional information and **TO REGISTER**. Contact: Samary Malaye, 267-507-1343, or <a href="mailto:Samary.Malaye@apmphila.org">Samary.Malaye@apmphila.org</a>



WorkReady If you are between the ages of 12 & 24 and looking for a summer work experience, check out WorkReady. https://workready.org/summer/

### SPIRITUAL ENRICHMENT

- ▶ Apostle Tomy Jordan and Pastor Stephanie D. Jordan from Abiding Love Deliverance Center are streaming live on Zoom every Saturday at noon. ID: 306 155 0388, Password: JESUSJOY Dial 646-558-8656 to join them for Tuesday Prayer at 6 pm and Wednesdays for Bible Study at 7 pm. Contact information: 267-290-0654 or abidinglovedeliverancecenter@gmail.com
- ▶ Join Girl Talk every Sunday, 2pm 3 pm o: Facebook: WTGB or online: tgbtgb.org

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### TRIVIA QUESTION ANSWER

What is the story behind coloring boiled eggs for Easter?





In Christianity, it's believed that eggs were formerly a forbidden food during the Lenten season, so people would paint and decorate them to mark the end of the period of penance and fasting. Early Christians in Mesopotamia dyed eggs red to mimic the blood that Christ shed during his crucifixion. The church continued these traditions, as decorations become more elaborate and the eggs would often be given as gifts.

Eggs were particularly prized at Easter because before industrial farming, hens laid few to no eggs over winter. Egg production is dependent on light and given the lack of sunlight in winter, egg production would become stagnant. When spring arrived, the hens began to lay eggs again. Eggs were so highly valued that they were even used as a partial payment of salaries for pastors, parish clerks and servants.

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