

VUOTS NEWS



*Civic
Engagement
creates
advocates*

WELCOME TO VUOTS SEMI-ANNUAL NEWSLETTER!

As we celebrate our ongoing commitment to civic engagement and empowerment, we are excited to share updates and highlights from our recent activities and initiatives. Over the past six months.

Civic Engagement at Discovery Charter School
Our VUOTS Civic Engagement program at Discovery Charter School is making strides through the "Voices to Votes" project, sponsored by EVEV and the Lenfest Center. This initiative empowers young students to understand their civic responsibilities and encourages active participation in the democratic process.

VUOTS MLK JR. HONOREES

We are proud to announce our MLK Jr. Honorees: our Youth Advocate, Jasline Shields and Deserving Youth, Treyvon Bell, who epitomize the spirit of Dr. King through their dedication to community service and social justice. Their achievements inspire others, and we celebrate their impactful contributions.



**DESERVING
YOUTH**

YOUTH ADVOCATE



*This One is
Dedicated to
Malcolm X*



CELEBRATING MALCOLM X'S 100TH BIRTHDAY

As we approached May 19, 2025, we honored the legacy of Malcolm X on the occasion of his 100th birthday. His impactful words remained relevant: "Education is our passport to the future, for tomorrow belongs to the people who prepare for it today." We invited you to read our featured essay celebrating his contributions to civil rights and social justice.

GEORGE WASHINGTON CARVER SCIENCE FAIR YOUNG TECHIE AWARD

Each year, VUOTS participates in the George Washington Carver Science Young Techie Award, hosted annually by Temple University. This award recognizes outstanding young leaders in science and technology, and we are thrilled to be part of this important initiative.

PRINTABLE BOOKLETS FOR CIVIC ENGAGEMENT

We are excited to share our printable booklets that support civic engagement, providing resources and guidance for individuals looking to become more active in their communities. Additionally, in celebration of the Philadelphia Eagles winning the Super Bowl in 2025, our special edition Eagles coloring book is a fun way to engage with our local sports culture while promoting creativity and community spirit.



"Engage with Civic Spirit",

VUOTS

JUNETEENTH UPDATE

While we were unable to secure funding for our Juneteenth initiative to provide books, we are grateful for WAWA's generous donation of 240 individually wrapped pretzels and Herr's contribution of over 200 bags of potato chips. These resources will support our outreach efforts and serve our community during this important celebration.

COMMUNITY OUTREACH CHALLENGES

Civic Engagement at Discovery Charter School
Community Outreach Challenges

Despite the challenges posed by rain, which affected some of our scheduled community outreach opportunities such as the Roosevelt Elementary School Spring Cleanups and the Men of Courage 10-year community celebration, we remain committed to our mission of serving the community.

LOOKING FOR A NEW LOCATION

VUOTS is actively seeking a new location to better serve our community. We have had promising collaborations toward our relocation, and we look forward to sharing updates soon. Thank you for your continued support and commitment to making a difference in our community. Together, let's inspire and empower the next generation!



NORTH PHILLY: A BLACK FREEDOM JAWN

VUOTS is proud to be part of the community project "North Philly: A Black Freedom Jawn," in collaboration with Penn Praxis, Jackie Wiggins Tours LLC, SPPAAA and Black Docents Frator Heru. This initiative contributes to Philadelphia's 250th Celebration in 2026, and we encourage everyone to stay tuned for exciting developments.



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Philly's
Tanner
House*

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Super Bowl Victory Together!!!
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