

Unity Park Newsletter

My Little Free Libraries

What is My Little Free Libraries?

In partnership with [Pontiac Public Library](#), [OTech](#), [Community Housing Network](#), [The Art Experience](#), and Waterford Wood Shop, we are launching My Little Free Library. It's a simple and convenient way to read new books and share old ones.

How does it work?

You can take a book and leave behind one if you want to. All books are welcomed, old and new.

Why are Little Libraries important?

- Reading develops academic excellence
- Reading develops basic speech skills
- Reading expands the ways in which you can communicate
- Reading increases logical thinking skills
- Reading develops the ability to concentrate and focus

What will they look like?



Do you want to see changes in Neighborhood?

To all residents of Unity Park, we are looking to have an engaging conversation about what you would like to see done with Neighborhood Park.

Neighborhood Park is located north of Wall, south of Willard, east of Paddock and west of Perkins. Parks are a great place to engage with your neighbors and take advantage of some simple community resources. We want your input on what can be done to improve the park and your experience.

If you have ideas or want to be a part of a group that helps decide the future of the park you are invited to call Unity Park News at 248-824-7314.

Where will the first Little Library be?

The tentative launch date is May 30 at 11 a.m at Pontiac Public Library, 60 E. Pike St. There will also be a pancake breakfast for a small fee.

Want to get involved?

If you would like to become more involved and help paint some of the Little Free Libraries feel free to reach out to Unity Park News at 248-824-7314.



Oakland County Employment Diversity Council Job Expo

The Regional Career/Job Expo

"Connecting the Best with the Best = Success"

Thursday, May 14, 2015

8:00 a.m. – 4:00 pm

Petruzzello's Banquet and Conference Center 6950 Rochester Road - Troy, MI 48085

Are you an employer seeking to meet your workforce needs with candidates that possess the skills and qualifications necessary to help your organization grow?

Are you an employer seeking to increase the diversity of your workforce with candidates that possess the skills and qualifications necessary to help your organization soar?

Are you currently in the job market seeking an employment opportunity that is challenging, enjoyable and financially rewarding?

Are you looking for an opportunity to increase your skills so you can qualify for the career of your dreams?

If you answered yes to any of the questions above, you can't afford to miss The Regional Career/Job Expo! There will be top employers attending from the Metro Detroit Area, job-seekers with desirable skills and abilities as well as career development and educational information to assist those wanting to improve their expertise to meet the needs of this global economy.

VENDOR REGISTRATION FEE:

\$300 Employers

\$200 Universities, Colleges, Training schools and Non-Profit organizations

Job seekers can attend at no cost.

Fee includes Table/Booth Space, Continental Breakfast & Lunch for 2 company representatives and Unlimited Hiring Opportunities.

Vendor Setup: 7:30 AM

Continental Breakfast served 7:45 AM until 8:30 AM

ENROLLMENT LIMITED TO THE FIRST 100 VENDORS!

For further information please visit our website at www.ocedc.net or

Contact Event Chair Reuben Daniel or Chairman Frank Russell 248-858-5204 or russellf@ocedc.net

Community Awareness

Community Housing Network Inc. is deeply saddened to hear about the recent loss of two residents in Unity Park. We would like to give our deepest condolences to the family, friends and neighbors who have been affected by this tragic loss. We know that these situations are unexpected and we would like to offer some available resources to those who need it.

HAVEN is a nationally recognized nonprofit leader that provides programs to promote violence-free homes and communities and helps victims of domestic violence and sexual assault. 24-HR Crisis & Support **248-334-1274** Toll-Free Crisis Line **877-922-1274** TTY Line **248-334-1290**

COMMON GROUND provides a lifeline for individuals and families in crisis, victims of crime, persons with mental illness, people trying to cope with critical situations and runaway and homeless youths. **Call their 24-hour Crisis and Resource Hotline at 1.800.231.1127 for free and confidential counseling, information and referrals.**

The **OAKLAND COUNTY HEALTH DIVISION** provides health services for the public, businesses and educational communities. The Health Division's **30+ programs/services** focus on preventing the spread of disease; ensuring a safe and clean environment; promoting and encouraging healthy behaviors; preparing for emergencies; surveillance of disease threats; and ensuring accessibility of health services. 1200 N Telegraph, Bldg. 34 East Pontiac, MI 48341
Phone: 248-858-1280



The rehab of the home at 171 Willard is complete and this home is now for sale to eligible households. For more information visit <http://bit.ly/1DQsyfD> or call Anita Davis at Community Housing Network at 248-824-7315.



If you see any suspicious activity don't hesitate to call the Oakland County Sheriff's office.

Contact Info : Oakland County Sheriff's Substation
110 E Pike St, Pontiac, MI 48342
Phone: 248-409-7100 Email: ocso@oakgov.com



GET

Receive valuable services from people within your community:



GIVE

Earn credits towards valuable services by helping others:



CONNECT

Meet friends and helpers from your own community:



What is the Pontiac Sun Timebank Bank ?

At its most basic level, TimeBanking is simply about spending an hour doing something for somebody in your community. That hour goes into the TimeBank as a TimeBank hour. Then you have an hour to spend on having someone do something for you. It's a simple idea, but it has powerful ripple effects in building community connections.

We have a website at www.pontiacsun.org/ where you list what you would like to do for other members. You look up services (both offers and requests) online or call our coordinator at 248-952-8175 to do it for you. You earn TimeBank hours after each service you perform and then you get to spend it on whatever you want from the listings. You even get credit for the community service or volunteering you're doing now as long as the receiving individual or organization is a TimeBank member! How great is that?

With TimeBanking, you will be working with a group of committed individuals who are joined together for a common good. It connects you to the best in people because it creates a system that connects unmet needs with untapped resources. To see what happens each week when you are part of TimeBank is deeply fulfilling, especially if you are helping to make it run.

Hello! My name is Jarrett Sanders and I have been given the amazing opportunity to serve as your new Community Revitalization Coordinator. I've always had a passion for giving back to my community through initiatives like mentorship, education, financial stability and education. I have dedicated myself to the prosperity of the citizens of Detroit through my work in community development in various non-profits and I'm excited to do the same for citizens of Pontiac. As the new Community Revitalization Coordinator I'm ready to help build the next generation of leaders by inspiring change and growth among the residents of Unity Park. If I had to choose five words to describe myself I would have to choose: open-minded, dedicated, humble, kind and passionate. Those words sum up who I am and they also start the conversation about why I am now interested in the continued revitalization of Unity Park. When you see me in the neighborhood don't be afraid to say hello! You can also call me at 248-824-7341 or send me an email at jsanders@chninc.net.



About the Unity Park Newsletter

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