# NEIGHBORHOOD VIEWS

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The Newsletter of the Detroit Shoreway Community Development Organization

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**WINTER 2017** 

## **Now Hiring... Local:**

Why it's important to keep jobs close to home.

2016 was a year of rapid growth in the Detroit Shoreway neighborhood. A variety of new businesses came to life in August in conjunction with the Cleveland Hustles television series. However, the Cleveland Hustles winners were not the only ones planting their roots in Detroit Shoreway; eight (8) additional businesses chose to become a part of our flourishing neighborhood this year.

With even more businesses planning to open in Detroit Shoreway in the new year, Detroit Shoreway Community Development Organization (DSCDO) is committed to ensuring that residents are benefiting from the economic growth and neighborhood revitalization.

DSCDO has been working with El Barrio Workforce Development Center, part of the Center for Families and Children (5209 Detroit Ave), to connect Detroit Shoreway residents to local jobs. With the influx of new jobs, the two organizations are taking their mission a step further to create the Hire Local Campaign.

The Hire Local Campaign will consist of a pledge businesses can sign, promising to strive to fill open positions with neighborhood residents before posting online. Businesses who opt-in will receive a window decal to promote the initiative. Additionally, DSCDO plans to have a regularly-updated compilation of local jobs available for residents.



Residents who enroll in one of El Barrio's free, four-week programs (customer service, hospitality, construction, or banking), learn skills and receive certifications necessary to be successful in the workplace. El Barrio works with businesses at no cost to find candidates who meet their needs for full time, part time, seasonal, and even internship positions. To ensure success, El Barrio stays in touch with both the graduate and the business to make sure that things are going smoothly during the first few months after placement.

Businesses who hire El Barrio graduates can be confident that they are gaining quality employees, and know that they are making a positive impact in the community by providing jobs, and alleviating financial and transportation burdens for residents.

If you are a resident looking for FREE job training, or a business interested in joining the Hire Local Campaign, give El Barrio a call at 216-325-WORK.

### **Opportunities for Youth Employment**

Every year, teens and young adults ages 14-24 in Cleveland acquire summer jobs through Youth Opportunities Unlimited's (Y.O.U.) Summer Youth Employment Program. Y.O.U. helps teens and young adults succeed by providing educational and workforce opportunities, skill development, and access to career pathways. Y.O.U. works with local organizations and assigns program participants to carry out a range of tasks, from delivering and installing rain barrels around the city to internships at the Great Lakes Science Center (and so much more).

While in the program, participants learn the skills they need to obtain and retain employment, learn first-hand about different jobs that may lead to rewarding careers, and receive mentorship from Y.O.U. staff and supervisors. Y.O.U. is a great opportunity

for youth to build skills and pass the time constructively while out of school.

Since the program's inception in 1982, participants have engaged in more than 150,000 work experiences. If you are interested in applying for the program, visit http://www.youthopportunities.org/ or call 216-566-5445.

### Hablamos español!

Si usted quiere saber más acerca de Detroit Shoreway Organización de Comunidad de Desarrollo y los servicios que brindamos, Ilámanos a (216) 961-4242, o visita nuestras oficinas, nos encontramos en 6516 Detroit Avenida, Suite 1.

### **Detroit Shoreway Annual Meeting**

Thursday, February 23rd, 2017



DSCDO invites you and your neighbors to join us for our 2017 Annual Meeting (invitation on reverse and DSCDO's homepage), featuring Our Lady of Mt. Carmel's extraordinary spaghetti dinner and DSCDO Board elections.

The price for membership includes the famous spaghetti dinner! Reminder, only paid 2017 members are eligible to vote in the DSCDO Board election. A reminder, only paid 2017 members are eligible to vote in the DSCDO board election (information on running for a position below).

Please contact Austin Boxler at 216-961-4242 ext. 243 or aboxler@dscdo.org, for more information or advanced tickets. RSVP's are recommended by February 17th. Tickets will also be sold at the door.



### Join the DSCDO Board and Be a Part of the Collaboration

Deadline to Apply, January 23rd, Elections Held at Annual Meeting

Are you driven to make a positive change in your community? Every February at our annual meeting, members of Detroit Shoreway Community Development Organization (DSCDO) cast their votes to elect candidates to the organization's Board of Directors. DSCDO's Board consists of 15 community—minded members, elected to serve three-year terms to guide DSCDO's mission through collaboration: four (4) residential representatives, four (4) commercial representatives, four (4) institutional/industrial representatives, and three (3) are at-large representatives. For the 2017 term, there are six (6) positions up for election, including one (1) residential representative, two (2) commercial representatives, two (2) institutional/industrial representatives, and one (1) at-large representative.

Interested in becoming a Board member? To be eligible for election as a Director there are a few requirements: (1) must

be at least eighteen years of age, (2) must have been a paid member of DSCDO for at least **thirty days** prior to the annual meeting(membership deadline January 23rd, 2017) and (3) have notified the Chairman of the board in writing of his/her interest in running for election at least **thirty days** prior to the annual meeting (notice shall include a biographical statement, resume, or statement of qualifications).

Membership can be purchased online at www.dscdo.org under the "Donations and Membership" link, via mail, or in-person at our office located at 6516 Detroit Avenue, Suite 1, Cleveland, OH 44102. For more information, please contact DSCDO's Director of Community Involvement, Austin Boxler, at 216-961-4242 ext. 243 or at aboxler@dscdo.org.



#### **SAVE THE DATE!**

# Monday, April 17th, 2017 7th Annual Dyngus Day Celebration

Over the decades, Dyngus Day has become a wonderful holiday celebrating Polish-American culture, heritage and traditions. Take the day off work and join us as we celebrate end of Lent and the joy of Easter.

http://www.clevelanddyngus.com/

# Tax Preparation FREE and OPEN to the Community in the Gordon Square Arcade

The Detroit Shoreway neighborhood will once again benefit from free tax preparation made possible by the Cuyahoga Earned Income Tax Credit (EITC) Coalition and the United Way of Greater Cleveland. Last year, our team at Gordon Square Arcade prepared over 800 tax returns representing over \$1 million in refunds.

The Gordon Square Arcade's tax site (located in the Arcade computer lab at 6516 Detroit Avenue) will open January 24th. If you make less than \$60,000 a year, stop paying to have your taxes done! Let the Cuyahoga EITC Tax Coalition do them for free. Appointments are available Tuesday and Thursday evenings from 5:15—7:45PM, and Saturdays 9:00AM—1:00PM. Call 2-1-1 to schedule your appointment today.

#### **Seeking Volunteers**

The Earned Income Tax Credit Coalition is looking for volunteer site coordinators, tax preparers, site greeters, and interpreters. Prior experience is not necessary, just attend a Coalition led training to become an IRS-certified volunteer. Sign up today by visiting www.refundohio.org or contact Gina at volunteer@refundohio.org



# Help Keep Sidewalks Safe

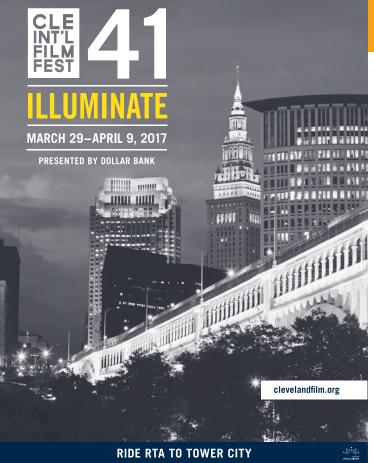
Winter weather is here, bringing snow and icy weather! As a reminder, it is each private property owner's responsibility to keep their sidewalks passable and safe during the winter months.

# From the City of Cleveland Ordinances: 507.13 Snow Removal

"Every owner, occupant, or person having charge of any tenement, building, lot or land fronting on any avenue, street, alley or other public highway shall clear the WHOLE SIDEWALK in front of said tenement, building or lot or land, of SNOW AND ICE... and if it shall be impossible to remove all the snow and ice, the resident shall cover such snow and ice with a coating of ashes, sand or other substance as may be necessary to render safe travel and convenience." ... Shall keep the entire width of the sidewalk, free and clear of all earth, sand brick, stone, rubbish or other material."

#### Chapter 411 Sect. 411.02 Disposal of Snow

"No person removing snow from any private driveway with in the City shall deposit such snow up on the pavement of any public street or on any tree lawn on any public street, except the tree lawn immediately in front of the premises from which the snow is removed."



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to read more news and find out more about upcoming events!

The price for membership includes the famous Our Lady of Mount Carmel Spaghetti Dinner!

Residential membership costs \$10.00 for ages 18-55, and \$5.00 for ages 55+ Only paid 2017 members are eligible to vote in the DSCDO election.

DSCDO memberships can be purchased online or at the door of the Annual Meeting.

detroit horeway Development organization	Annual Meeting Thursday, February 23, 2017 Our Lady of Mount Carmel School 6928 Detroit Avenue, Cleveland, OH Pope John Hall (behind the church) Dinner: 5:30-6:30 Meeting: 6:30
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Residential	Commercial / Services / Non-Profit	Industrial / Institutional
_\$10 Adult membership	\$25 Up to 4 employees	\$100 50+ employees
_\$5 Senior membership (age 55+)	\$50 5-24 employees	
\$5 Spaghetti dinner admission for individuals younger than 18	\$75 25-49 employees	
Name:		Date:
Business Name:		
Address:	City:	State: Zip:
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