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WLOU/WLLV Summerfest 2018 "Rebuilding Our Community with Prayer, Faith, & Love!"

**Saturday, June 23
Chickasaw Park**

**Plan to come out for the
music, fun, vendors,
festivities, and more
for all ages!**



**Renowned national gospel artists including
Jason Nelson, Jermaine Dolly, Cheryl Fortune,
Tim Bowman, Jordan Armstrong, Jason Clayborn & The
Team, Robert Hawkins, the Volunteer State Mass Choir,
PLUS your favorite local choirs and praise teams minis-
tering in song!**



**Are you a Woman 35 or
older, a godly, virtuous
sister with beauty,
sophistication,
and integrity, and
accomplished with love
for your family and**



**community? Enter to win Ms. WLOU
by calling 502-776-1240 !**

1st Place - \$500; 2nd Place - \$300; 3rd Place - \$200!

**KidsFEST: Expanded to included more bounce houses
and inflatables, a Puppet Show, Youth All-Star Hoops,
face painting, mascots, AND there's more...You don't
want to miss our youth take center stage!**

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New LMPD Impound Lot Community Input Meeting

Thursday, June 21 from 6pm - 7:30 pm
Butchertown Pizza Hall (1301 Story Avenue)

Louisville Metro Government is planning a public meeting from 6-7:30 p.m. Thursday, June 21, at Butchertown Pizza Hall (1301 Story Avenue, second floor) to share community input and next steps in its effort to relocate the Louisville Metro Police vehicle impound lot. The city announced plans to seek a new location earlier this year. The city also issued a public Request for Information at that time, seeking properties that fit the city's search criteria for size, location, and other physical and operational requirements. The city received seven responses to that RFI but none met the search criteria.



49th Annual Dirt Bowl

Saturdays and Sundays, June 16 - August 12
2pm - 8pm
Shawnee Park

**Come take part in the festivities
this Saturday, June 23!!**

Admission is free!

Food and drinks are available for purchase.

For more information call (502) 409-2167.



Love Your Neighborhood Event in Russell

Saturday, June 23rd

(along W. Muhammad Ali Boulevard and Cedar Street, between S. 22nd Street and S. 26th Street)

Habitat is hosting a "Love Your Neighborhood" (LYN) event in the Russell neighborhood. Habitat will complete five exterior home repair projects with Russell homeowners, along with several beautification projects along W. Muhammad Ali Boulevard and Cedar Street between S. 22nd Street and S. 26th Street. As we approach June 23rd, Habitat is developing a relationship with the Zion Baptist Church, reaching out to Byck Elementary, and engaging with neighborhood residents. Nearly 200 hundred people – volunteers, church members, neighborhood residents, and stakeholders – will assist in the completion of home repair and beautification projects.

In the past 30 years, Habitat has built over 125 affordable homes in Russell. Love Your Neighborhood is a continuation of Habitat's investment that strengthens our relationship with Russell residents. Today, Russell is receiving numerous investments from federal and local resources. As these investments change neighborhood dynamics, Habitat's Love Your Neighborhood seeks to increase the neighborhood pride of both Habitat homeowners and Russell neighborhood residents. Our goal is to secure the physical and social placement of neighborhood residents as we connect them with key resources and with each another.



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Louisville Grows Healthy House : Beginning your Zero Waste Journey Tuesday, June 26

What exactly is zero waste? Can you really get a year's worth of trash in a mason jar? Where do you begin? Let's get started with simple changes in your current lifestyle. **To sign up, email ZeroWasteVentures@gmail.com.** Come and join us for our first workshop with Zero Waste Ventures! The class will be \$10.



Get Your Vegetables from the New Roots Fresh Stop Market!

The Fresh Stop Markets (FSM) are run by leaders in a grassroots food justice movement that operates from the belief that fresh food is a basic human right. FSMs are volunteer, community-driven farm-fresh food markets that pop up bi-weekly at local churches and community centers in neighborhoods that do not have grocery stores or farmers' markets. Shareholders ("customers") agree to cooperate and pay ahead of time, on an income-based sliding scale. **The sliding scale means food is affordable and everyone is included.**

WIC participants pay \$6, those at or below 185 percent federal poverty guidelines pay \$12, others pay \$25, and those who would like to invest in the community pay \$40. **SNAP IS ACCEPTED.** Everyone gets the same food!

The growing season kicks off the week of June 4th. The location and times of the New Roots Fresh Stop Markets for 2018 can be found on our website at <https://newroots.org/fresh-stop-markets/> or by calling 502-509-6770, Ext. 0, or by emailing info@newroots.org.



Tree Rebate Program

TreesLouisville is currently hosting a tree rebate. Those who purchase a shade tree can receive up to 40% off the purchase price. This is an initiative between TreesLouisville and Louisville Metro Division of Community Forestry to grow our tree canopy. **Trees are more beneficial than you realize. For example, a yard tree can boost property value up to \$10,000. They can also help lower heating & cooling bills.** Louisville is the fastest warming urban heat island in the country; trees and shade help keep our city cool, improve air quality, and make for beautiful, safer neighborhoods. **For more information contact Hallie Knotts at intern@treeslouisville.org.**



Plant a tree.

**Rake in
some cash.**

Get a "treebate" of 40%
on eligible tree purchases.

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2018 Cultural Pass

We are thrilled to announce the **2018 Cultural Pass**, presented by **Churchill Downs**, in partnership with **Louisville Metro**, **Louisville Free Public Library** and **Arts & Culture Alliance**. In its fourth year, the Cultural Pass is a unique to Louisville program created to help bridge **summer learning** loss and allow for families in the community to have access to numerous arts and cultural experiences for FREE! The Pass has 46 participating venues, up from 29 two years ago and 38 last year.



TARC Summer Youth Pass

Getting to jobs, the movies, learning activities and other fun events around Louisville is affordable and easy for young people with the TARC Summer Youth Pass. The pass costs \$30 and is available to anyone 6 - 19 years old. With the pass, youths can take unlimited TARC rides on all routes from June 1 - August 31.

The pass can be ordered from TARC's website, www.ridetarc.org, or purchased at the following locations:

- **Union Station, 1000 W. Broadway**
- **Nia Center, 2900 W. Broadway**
- **All Fifth Third Banks**
- **Louisville Free Public Library, 3rd & York**

To order by mail, send a check or money order for \$30, with your name, address and phone number, to **SUMMER YOUTH PASS**; c/o TARC cashier; 1000 W. Broadway; Louisville, KY 40203.



PetSmart Charities Awards LMAS \$40K Grant Funding aimed at reducing pet population through local spay/neuter efforts

Louisville Metro Animal Services recently received a \$40K grant from PetSmart Charities, the leading funder of animal welfare in North America, to help reduce the pet population in Jefferson County. LMAS is using the grant to offer spay/neuter vouchers to Jefferson County residents, which can be redeemed at any Jefferson County Veterinary office or the Kentucky Humane Society SNIP Clinic.

By offering assistance for discounted spay/neuter surgeries, LMAS will increase in-house surgeries (2,700 in 2017) and those performed by outside providers. **The voucher not only encourages responsible pet ownership, it helps reduce uncontrolled breeding of stray cats and dogs and allows LMAS to be proactive about future shelter overcrowding.**

The voucher covers up to \$100 of the cost to spay/neuter a cat or a dog. Vouchers can be obtained at the LMAS Animal Care Center located at 3705 Manslick Rd. Monday-Friday between 12-6pm, or Saturdays 11-2pm; or at Animal House Adoption Center located at 3516 Newburg Rd. Tuesday-Sunday from 12-6pm. For more information about how to obtain a spay/neuter voucher from LMAS, email animals@louisvilleky.gov or call 473-PETS.



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Shawnee Park Basin Project

The Shawnee Basin Project is well underway. **Construction activities in support of MSD's Shawnee Park Basin Project have begun near the TARC turn around.** These construction activities consist of utility relocations (i.e. water, sanitary, gas and electric). Access for residence will be maintained during these construction activities. TARC buses will be rerouted. **More information can be found at shawneeparkbasinproject.org/notices.**



If you have any questions contact Molly Dorsey at: shawneeparkbasinproject@gmail.com or call the toll free number at (844) 429-5817.

Pothole Reporting Update

Please note that the annual pothole blitz is over. But of course, Louisville Metro Public Works will continue to repair potholes year round, and wants citizens to report them as soon as possible. Please check out the following webpage and utilize the reporting options contained on it:

<https://louisvilleky.gov/government/public-works/services/report-pothole-or-other-city->



Solicitation of Interest

Metro is seeking a person or party to purchase or lease properties located at 2422 and 2424 W. Chestnut Street. The properties are zoned R-7, Multi-Family Residential, and are suitable for a residential or community-focused use such as a community center. Metro will consider lease or sale of each property individually, but strongly prefers to see these properties developed or reused together. **The structure at 2422 W. Chestnut Street, known as the Hampton House, was built in 1887, and is in need of immediate repair and longer-term investment to address a number of structural, aesthetic and mechanical limitations. A strong proposal will include a plan to address these deficits, and documentation of committed funding to address the immediate needs listed in the report. Metro will offer **open houses of the properties on June 19 from 4pm-6pm.** To read the complete Solicitation of Interest, please [click here](#). To view a Hampton House Property Condition and Assessment Report, please [click here](#). Call (502) 574-5170 if you have any questions.**



**Please Report
Vacant and Abandoned Properties
with Overgrown Grass
in District 5
to Councilwoman Cheri Hamilton
at (502) 574-1105 or email
Myra.Friend-Ellis@louisvilleky.gov.**



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Wesley House Community Services fundraiser at City BBQ

**Wednesday, July 11
329 Whittington Parkway**

**Come out and support
Wesley House Community Services!**

**All day long Wesley House
will receive 25% of what
you order at City BBQ**



Family Fun Math Explosion 2018

**Presented by the West Louisville
Math and Science Project**

**Saturday, August 4 from 11:00am - 2:30pm
Southwick Community Center (3621 Southern Ave.)**

This event is FREE and open to the public!!!

The Family Fun Math Explosion 2018 is just around the corner. We need 100 volunteers for the event. The goal is to have 50 volunteers signed up by the end of May. Please help us reach our goal! If you are interested in volunteering, please send an email to wlmathandscience@gmail.com. Thank you! Please feel free to call Eboni Neal Cochran at (502) 551-4734 for more information.



Vision Russell Updates and Events

**The Dream Express Bookmobile
Saturday, June 23rd, 1:00 pm - 2:00 pm
Western Library, 604 S. 10th St.**

The Dream Express Bookmobile will be visiting Western Branch Library to give free books to children! The Dream Express is a mobile library filled with exciting books for children of all ages. Call (502) 574-1779 for any questions.

**Kindergarten Readiness Playgroup
Fridays in June and July, 10:30am - 12:00pm
Chestnut Street YMCA, 930 W. Chestnut St.**

Join Play Cousins for the Summer Kindergarten Readiness Play Group series for children aged 3-5 years old (younger siblings welcome). Each playgroup session will feature storytime, learning activities, a craft and snack. To RSVP, please text or call (502) 509-7548 or email PlayCousinsCollective@gmail.com

**Visual Arts for Kids Class
Tuesdays through August 28th, 3:00 pm - 5:00 pm
Western Library, 604 S. 10th St.**

Each ArtsBridge Visual Arts Class will allow students the opportunity to express themselves with a variety of arts media including scribble and doodling, spontaneous expression, painting, cartooning and working as a team to create a group drawing. Students will learn life skills such as conflict resolution, problem solving, goal setting, positive thinking, and develop increased confidence and self-esteem through visual arts expression.



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9th Annual CommUnity Celebration



Shawnee
Neighborhood
Association
A Community
on the Move



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Congratulations to Judge Denise Clayton, Chief Judge of the Court of Appeals!!

Judge Clayton is first woman and the first African American to be selected to serve in this seat. She was also raised in the Chickasaw neighborhood.



Portland Park

NASCAR driver Joey Logano and the Joey Logano Foundation supported and broke ground for new park playground equipment at Portland Park.



Free tax preparation for residents filing past due returns

Although the 2017 tax filing season has ended, there is still free help available in preparing past due and amended tax returns. Now through October, the Louisville Asset Building Coalition's Volunteer Income Tax Assistance Program, or VITA, will provide federal and state income tax assistance to income eligible residents who need help filing prior returns. It is also still possible to receive a refund for returns from the years 2015 to 2017 for those who qualify. Taxpayers earning \$64,000 can make an appointment with a VITA team member by calling (502) 574-5687.

Summer/early fall VITA tax preparation sites are located at the following:

- The Edison Center, 701 W Ormsby, Suite 201, 40203 - Tuesdays, 9 a.m. – 2 p.m.
- Louisville Urban League 1535 W Broadway, 40203 - Wednesday, 10 a.m. – 7 p.m.

The IRS lists the following reasons for filing past due returns:

- **Avoid interest and penalties** File your past due return and pay now to limit interest charges and late payment penalties.
- **Claim a Refund** You risk losing your refund if you do not file your return. If you are due a refund for withholding or estimated taxes, you must file your return to claim it within three years of the return due date. The same rule applies to a right to claim tax credits such as the Earned Income Credit.
- **Protect Social Security Benefits** If you are self-employed and do not file your federal income tax return, any self-employment income you earned will not be reported to the Social Security Administration and you will not receive credits toward Social Security retirement or disability benefits.
- **Avoid Issues Obtaining Loans** Loan approvals may be delayed if you do not file your return. Copies of filed tax returns must be submitted to financial institutions, mortgage lenders/brokers, etc., whenever you want to buy or refinance a home, get a loan for a business, or apply for federal aid for higher education.

If You Owe More Than You Can Pay If you cannot pay what you owe, you can request an additional 60-120 days to pay your account in full through the [Online Payment Agreement Application](#) or by calling 800-829-1040; no user fee will be charged. If you need more time to pay, you can request an installment agreement or you may qualify for an offer in compromise.

Please be sure to bring the following items to your appointment with a VITA representative:

- Social security card for everyone on tax return
- Picture ID for taxpayer and spouse
- W-2 and 1099 from employer
- List of other income/expenses
- 1098 for education credit
- 1095-A for certain healthcare credits
- Blank check or account info for direct deposit
- Savings account and routing numbers if you would like to save a portion of your refund
- Schedule C's also prepared for self-employment



Save the Date - Community Calendar

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<p>When you are ready to quit, we are here: www.QuitSmokingLou.com</p> <p>Upcoming Classes:</p> <p>June 25 - July 30 Mondays 4:00-5:30pm at UAW Local 862 Union Hall-KTP</p> <p>June 26 - July 31 Tuesdays 4:00-5:30pm at UAW Local 862 Union Hall-LAP</p> 				<p>21</p> <p>New LMPD Impound Lot Community Input Meeting 6pm - 7:30 pm Butchertown Pizza Hall (1301 Story Avenue)</p>	<p>22</p>	<p>23</p> <p>WLOU/WLLV Summerfest 2018 Chickasaw Park</p> <p>Love Your Neighborhood Event (Russell Neighborhood)</p> <p>The Dream Express Bookmobile 1:00 pm - 2:00 pm Western Library, (604 S. 10th St.)</p> <p>49th Annual Dirt Bowl 2pm - 8pm Shawnee Park</p>
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