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CSRN continues to pressure government for TPD changes

By: Jurry Taalib-Deen
Journal Staff Writer

For two consecutive Saturdays, the Community Solidarity Response Network, CSRN, held public meetings calling for a change on how the Toledo Police Department, TPD, operates, and calling for an overhaul of the body that's supposed to oversee the function of TPD; the Toledo Police Civilian Review Board.

The first gathering, or news conference, was held on Saturday, September 12, at the corner of Lagrange, and Manhattan. There, Julian Mack, spokesperson for the organization, named eight key points that would give the board, more "teeth," as he said



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Julian Mack, spokesperson for CSRN, outlines the steps that need to be implemented on the Toledo Police Civilian Review Board.



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The protesters consisted of a diverse group of people, with one focus; black lives matter.



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About 50 people gathered in support of reforming, or defunding the police department, and using that money to support mental health, and various types of social service programs.

to better protect the rights of African Americans within the city.

"No current or former law enforcement personnel on the board, voter elected board members, and the power to investigate, and discipline, as necessary," were just three of the eight points.

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Supporting the plan of CSRN was Nick Komives, Toledo City Councilman At Large. "We need a board with teeth. We

don't need a task force from outside of the city, coming in and doing a feasibility study and trying to tell us what we need. We know what we need, and we can do it ourselves." Further, Mr. Komives said he plans on introducing the plan to city council members.

The location of the meeting that day was almost, one year after Jabril Wyley, who was a passenger in an associate's car, was stopped by police. His twin sister, Jannah, was at her job, on the same block where her brother was stopped. She noticed the police office and came to make sure her brother was safe.

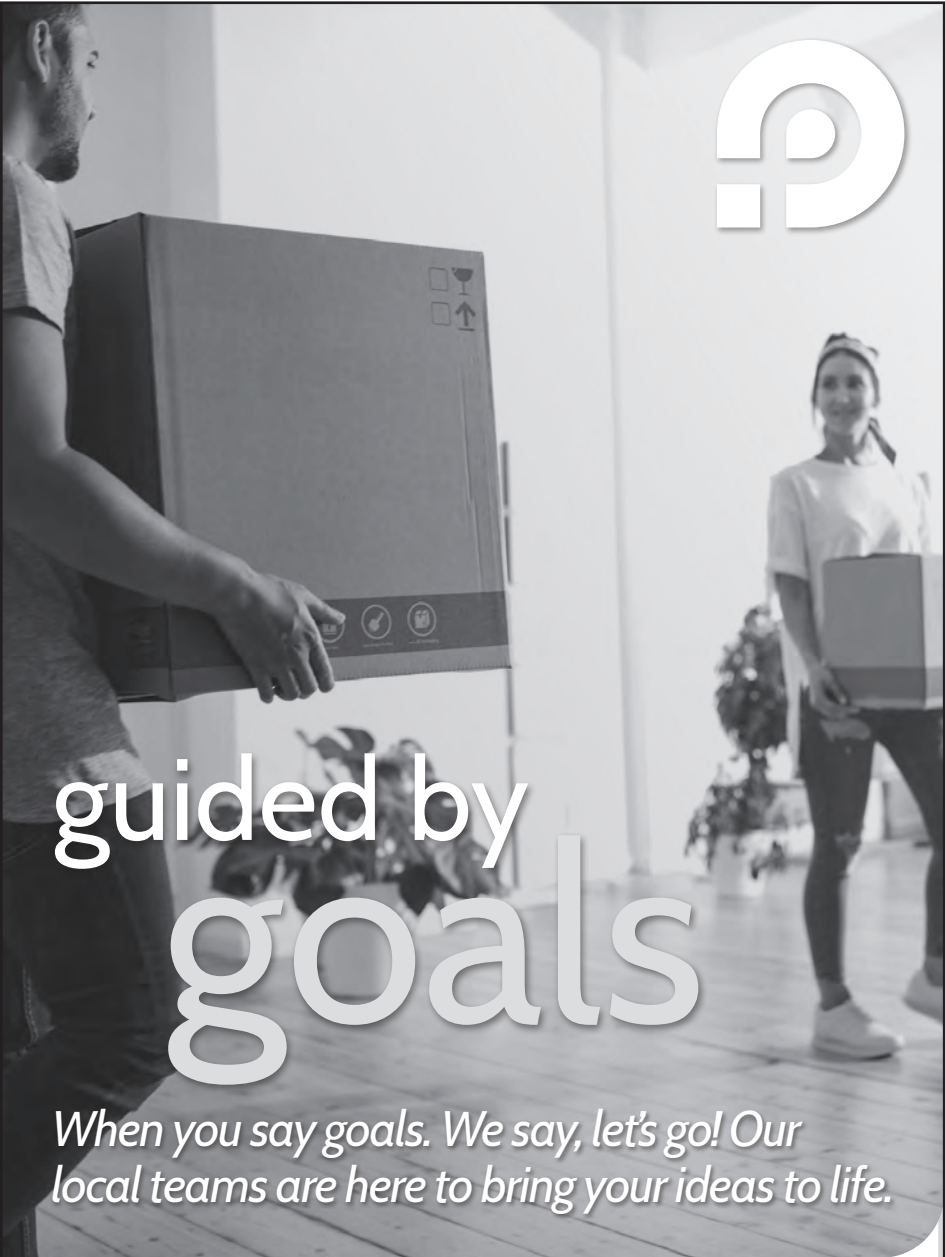
While recording the incident, she said police physically attacked her, throwing her to the ground, and punching her. Ms. Wyley, who was, and still is, petite, weighing about 106 lbs., said the attack wasn't necessary. Some of the confrontation between her, and the police, was captured on the police dash cam. Ms. Wyley's phone,

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A grim reminder that more than 200,000 Americans have now died from Covid-19.

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which had the entire confrontation, was confiscated by the police, and the video was removed, she told The Toledo Journal. “They even removed the video from the cloud; which I know the police hacked my phone to do it.”

Both Jabril, and Jannah are demanding changes be made to the police department.

One week later, CSRN, held a rally at the corner of Erie and Jackson, in downtown Toledo; in front of police headquarters. Approximately 50 people gathered supporting the organization who continued to call for changes within the police department,

as well as the Toledo Police Civilian Review Board.

Holding signs that read, “Black Lives Matter,” and a sign filled with the faces of black people who have been killed by police, from around the country, were held by some protestors.

Mr. Mack said Mayor Wade Kapszukiewicz set a deadline of September 12 for recommending changes to the board but those changes haven’t occurred, nor has he been contacted about those recommendations.

“We’re trying to go through the proper channels, but it’s clear that local democracy is failing us,” he said.



Speakers at the CSRN event rallying for support.



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A supporter of CSRN carries a sign with the pictures of some of the people who have been wrongfully killed by police.

What are the pros and cons for voting in person versus mail-in voting?



Maria Coley
Nurse/Entrepreneur

In the last election, we saw how the system was rigged to favor Trump, so the only con I see between the two is mail-in voting; it's phony. It's always said your vote will be counted but I just don't believe it. It's always better to vote in person; you have a better chance of having your vote count.



Archie Miller
Truck Driver

The only con I see is mailing in your vote. We see that Trump is already using the postal service to sabotage the mail, so it's best to vote in person. This is too critical of a year to be taking a chance on voting by mail. I'm taking off work to vote, and even taking some people to the polls; I recommend others do the same.



Deleasa Rutherford
Food Service

I definitely see voting by mail as a positive. Many people are still in fear of Covid-19, or they're sick at home, or in the hospital, or simply don't have transportation; all of which makes voting by mail a good thing



Richard King
Retired

The pro to voting by mail is you avoid person to person contact by following the Covid-19 protocol. The con to voting by mail is you're not sure if your vote will get counted. Instead of mailing my vote in, I think I'll hand deliver it. Also, I just heard if you request to vote by mail, you can't vote in person. So in order to stay safe from Covid-19, and make sure my vote gets counted; I'll just deliver it to the Board of Elections.



Eric Briggs
CSB

We're living in a time where everyone is very political, and some people just don't feel safe voting in person. So the biggest pro I see is mailing in your vote; this way you can feel safe.



Lonnie Robinson
Carpenter

Pros and cons are depending on your particular situation. If you're trying to stay safe from Covid-19, or always on the rode like me, mailing in your ballot is a good option.



Rena Ramsey
Career Coach

With mail-in voting, I see the opportunity for votes to be manipulated, or not counted. By voting in person, especially African American voters, we reduce the chances of our votes being tampered. When it comes to the postal service, we think that Trump is manipulating it for votes to be lost, or not counted.

Ongoing Events

Donation Account Opened At Toledo Urban FCU To Assist The Family Of Justin Hughes

A donation account has been opened at Toledo Urban Federal Credit Union (TUFUCU) where donations can be made "In Memory of Justin Hughes". Money collected will be given the family of Justin Hughes to assist with burial expenses.

Justin was just 15 years old when he was shot and killed while walking home from the Collingwood McDonalds on August 16, 2020. He was a sophomore at Jesup Wakeman Scott High School and was a member of the Football program.

Donations can be made through any TUFUCU customer server teller at 1441 Door, Toledo Ohio 43607 or by calling the Credit Union at 419.255.8876

Every Tuesday Now Through October "Tasty Tuesdays"

Back By Popular Demand, Grace Community Center Garden Cooperative Is Hosting "Tasty Tuesdays" Free Food Box & Produce, Chef-Prepared Delicious Food Samples. Face Mask/Social Distancing Required. Join us in the Garden 406 West Delaware, 419-248-2467, 10:30 a.m. - 3:30 p.m. Voter Registration, Census, COVIC-19 Testing Information, Free Masks, & Financial Literacy Information Available.. Partnering with Ohio Coalition-Black Empowerment, Toledo Urban Federal Credit Union and Health Partners of Western Ohio.

Every Tuesday and Saturday Toledo Masjid Al-Isalm Through Tarbiyyatul Haqq Ministries- Food Pantry

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appointments necessary. Protein, canned goods, fresh produce and baked goods are available. Items may vary weekly.

Now Through Sept. 30th Virtual Education - Alzheimer's Association

Alzheimer's Association to Hold Virtual Educational Program on Variety of Topics for the Community and Families Impacted by the Disease

These presentations cover a variety of topics and occur at different times during the day via videoconferencing to allow individuals to participate in the convenience of their homes. They will discuss topics such as what are the common warning signs of the disease, what to expect in the middle stage of the disease, how to better communicate and have difficult conversations. We also share how to keep your brian healthy!

All programs are free and open to the public. Registration is required. To register for the program, call 800.272.3900.

Now Through Oct. 8th Discover Toledo's Art, Nature, & History By Walking, Wheeling, Or Riding

Walk & Roll is a month-long event, kicking off Thursday, that explores UpTown and its connected neighborhoods. Each week celebrates a weekly theme of art, culture, history, nature, and these themes intersections while practicing social distancing and promoting exercise. Each week will also have relevant prizes as well as a grand prize drawing at the end! Register at <https://bit.ly/UptownRoll>, by calling 567-585-0469, or by stopping by Up Town Green on September 17th., 1904 Madison Ave., Toledo, OH 43604.

Now Through Oct. 31st Toledo Black Artist Coalition Art in the Age of Soidarity Exhibition

The Toledo Black Artist Coalition is proud to present our first venture, bringing together working artists of diverse backgrounds to explore the meaning of solidarity. Launch: Art in the Age of Solidarity is asking the question; how can we maintain the building of

cultural unity durig this time of social turmoil? Today, people from all walks of society are threading together to create real change. This exhibition is a symbolic offering that looks deeper at our current state and attempts to visualize a new society and the existence of an undefended space.

The Walter E. Turhune Gallery
30335 Oregon Rd, Perrysburg, OH 43551
Gallery hours - Monday-Friday - 10:00 - 4:30
Gallery Director - Shelby K. Stoots

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Sept. 23rd Through Sept. 25th 17th Annual International Human Trafficking and Social Justice Conference at The University of Toledo.

Sept. 24th CSRN Weekly Virtual Teach In Series at <https://www.facebook.com/csrintoledo>

The teach ins will be weekly reviews of areas of Toledo Policing. The event will be a history of policing and an introduction to critical race theory. Will teach ins will be virtual and will allow the public to view, comment and ask questions to the presenter. No cost and open to the public via our Facebook Page.

Features
Ra'Shya Ghee, JD/MBA and Dr. Patrice McClellan, Associate Professor, Author

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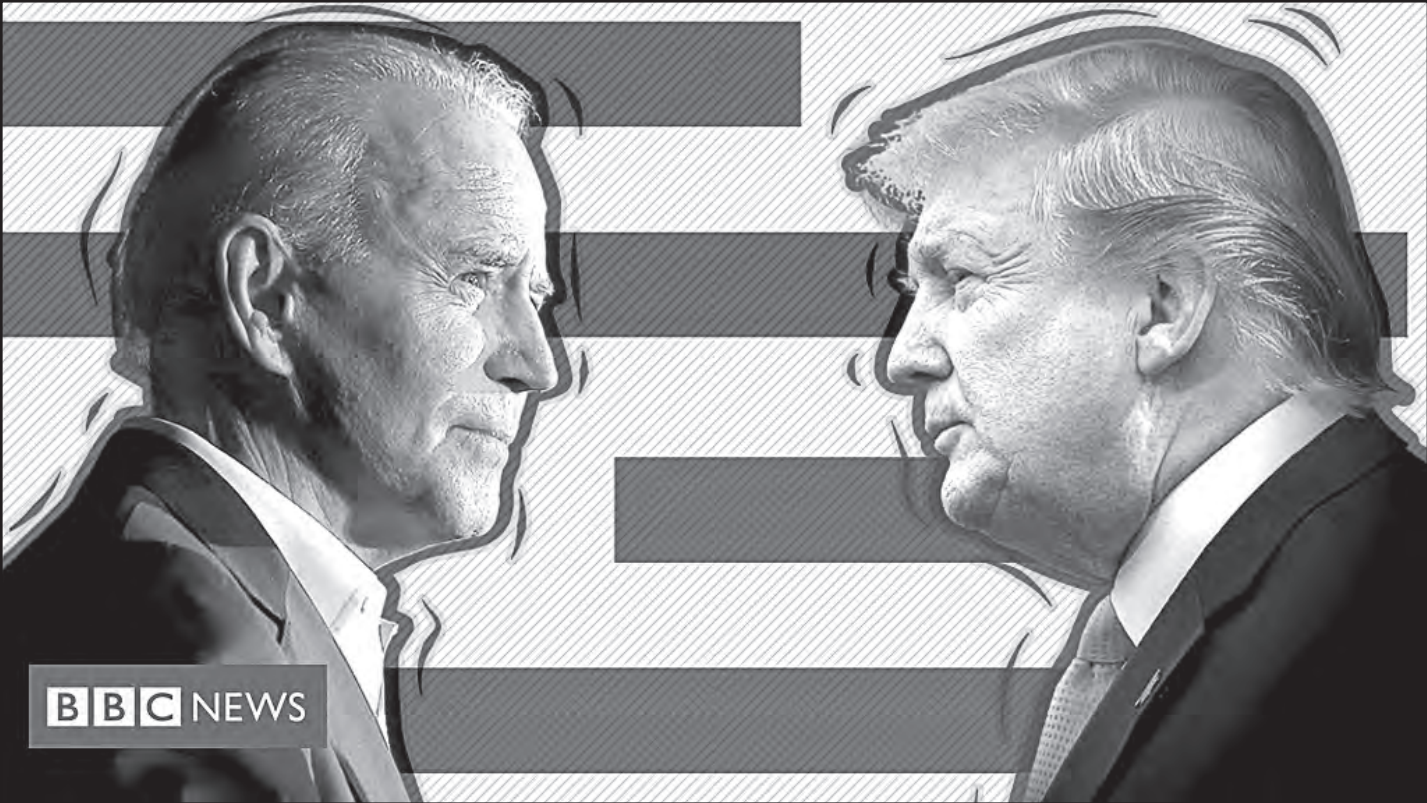
By Dr. E. Faye Williams
Wire Writer

(TriceEdneyWire.com) - It's so easy to blame somebody else. Donald Trump blames everything on somebody else while he takes responsibility for nothing. Everything has to satisfy his ego or in his mind, it's fake news. So, he lies to keep the American people from panicking! He fails at that because no matter what he comes up with every day causes many American people to panic. He thinks it was Bob Woodward's responsibility to tell the truth to the American people. So, what is his idea of presidential responsibilities?

With Trump, there's something new every day, but it all works the same way. He's like those kids who say the "darndest things." The only difference in him and those kids is they're not President! He's a very chronologically advanced man who says dangerous things that make no sense while he thinks he's really smart!

He has no sense of decency. The thing he does best is distort the truth to the point that no one believes anything he says. Those who follow him religiously can't possibly be doing so because they believe he's telling the truth or telling them anything that is going to help them. The people who follow him are either not paying attention to what he says or they never listen to real news.

I think he gets up every morning and figures out what lie he can tell that sounds more preposterous than the many he told the day before. Real reporters listen to him and can



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hardly wait to translate what they just heard. More often than not they're pointing out his lies. He doesn't even know how to keep his lies straight. He'll give one answer today, and answer the exact opposite the next day.

He's almost at the end of his painful four-year term, and he hasn't yet realized he was President of the United States! He still doesn't realize it's the responsibility of the President who's currently in the White House to fix whatever he thinks is broken.

He undermined everything scientists were telling him, and kept the truth about what was really going on. He knew how dangerous the pandemic was and still is. He obviously thinks that somebody else is charged with leading the country. Apparently, he was shocked to find out there was something he couldn't control when he was told exactly what this "China Virus" as he calls it was likely to do. He spoke with Woodward in those 18 calls seemingly jubilant about how dangerous the virus was. He seemed to relish discovering something that was airborne and dangerous. It was like he had this big secret and was only going to tell Bob about it. He was gleeful to go out and tell the American people he had everything under control while knowing he was lying.

What kind of person plays games with a deadly disease that he knows is deadly; yet, gleefully tells the people he's responsible for protecting that they shouldn't do the very thing that might protect them? What kind of person would say such horrible things about military leaders who're also responsible for protecting the American people at his command? Who believes those little Black kids sitting behind him as he speaks even know who he is?

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The way he told Woodward "You drank the Kool-Aid," he doesn't need to tell me again that he in no way can relate to the pain and suffering his white privilege still causes others.

(Dr. E. Faye Williams is National President of the National Congress of Black Women. She is host of "Wake Up and Stay Woke" on WPFW-89.3 FM.)

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Trump Leads by Division, While Biden Leads by Multiplication



By Jesse Jackson
Wire Writer

(TriceEdneyWire.com) As the presidential campaigns heat up, Americans are provided with a

stark choice of leaders. The visits to Kenosha of Donald Trump and Joe Biden provide clear contrasts for all to see. Kenosha erupted after a white policeman shot an unarmed Black man, Jacob Blake, seven times in the back, leaving him paralyzed from the waist down. Demonstrators have marched night after night demanding justice.

The protests were marred by vandalism, with some stores looted and burned. Informally organized, armed, right-wing militia groups came in looking for a fight. President Trump came to Kenosha despite the objections of local officials that his presence would be provocative. That didn't deter him because he came to provoke. He met with local police, toured some of the businesses that were burned down, and condemned

the demonstrators. He refused to meet with the mother of Jacob Blake or to talk with Blake himself. Asked about the scourge of racism in our criminal justice system that has sparked unprecedented demonstrations across the country, he dismissed that as "the opposite subject."

That wasn't his message. He wanted to focus on "the kind of violence we've seen in Portland and here and other places. The fact is that we've seen tremendous violence and we will put it out very, very quickly if given the chance."

He attributed the repeated police killings to the notion that the police "choke" under pressure, like a golfer choking and missing a short putt. For George Floyd or Eric Garner, the only choking came from the choke holds police

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Black Households Earned 61 Cents for Every Dollar of White Median Incomes

Police violence linked to segregated housing

By Charlene Crowell,
Senior Fellow with the
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Lending

The August 23 police shooting of an unarmed Black man in Kenosha, WI, triggered yet another round of community protests and national news coverage of a Black man. A series of multiple gunshots fired by a local police officer, were not fatal for 29-year old Jacob Blake; but may have permanently paralyzed him from the waist down.

Days later on August 28, the National Action Network served as a major organizer for a Commitment March, rededicating the yet unaddressed dreams of the historic 1963 March on Washington. Assembled again at Washington's Lincoln Memorial, the day's speakers spanned nationally-known leaders like Rev. Al Sharpton, Martin Luther King III, and Attorney Ben Crump to the family members of George Floyd, Breonna Taylor, Jacob Blake and others.

The irony is that despite the passage of nearly 60 years between the original march and its 2020 recommitment, many of the issues that have plagued Black America remain the same. Black America and other people of color still cry for justice, equality, and freedom. Yet noticeably, what formerly focused national attention on events in Selma, Montgomery, and Birmingham have now emanated from Ferguson, to Kenosha, Minneapolis, Portland and other locales.

Why measurable forward strides in policing, or economic progress have remained elusive after decades of calls for reforms may partly be explained by

the findings of a new policy analysis by the U.S. Federal Reserve Bank in St. Louis. Using U.S. Census Bureau data, Ana Hernandez Kent, a policy analyst with the St. Louis Fed, found that America's racial poverty gap continues to suppress social and economic justice. Moreover, Wisconsin, not a southern state, claims the dubious distinction of having the largest poverty gap in the nation.

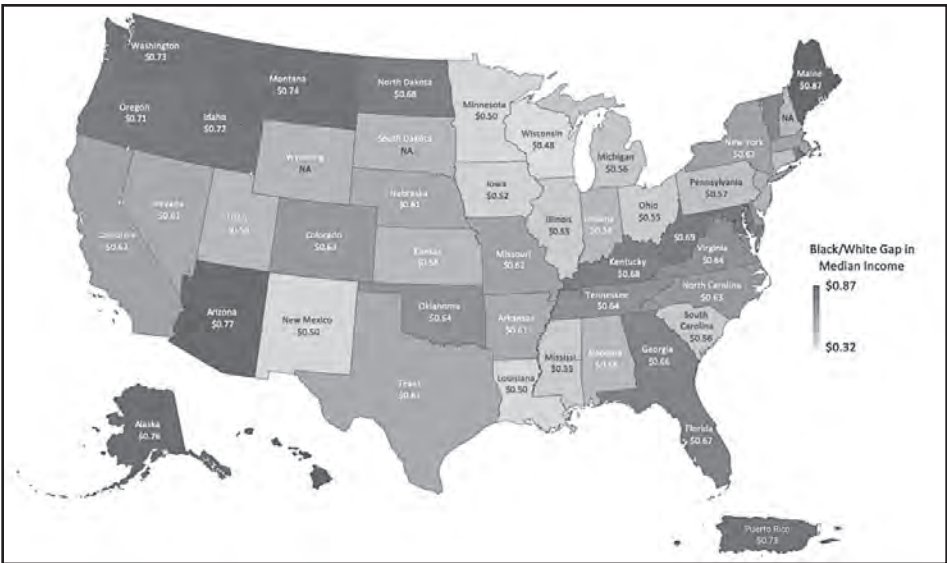
Nationally the St. Louis Fed found that in 2018, Black households earned 61 cents for every \$1 of White household median income. Further, the Black/White median household income gaps ranged from 87 cents per dollar in Maine and Hawaii, down to 32 cents per dollar in the District of Columbia. The disparity in median translates into 22% of all Black Americans living in poverty, a gap of 13% compared to Whites who are poor. Wisconsin's gap is 23%.

"In noting the socioeconomic indicators of median income, poverty rates and health insurance rates, I found that White people had more favorable outcomes than Black people in every state," wrote Hernandez Kent.

Poverty's racial disparity extends to other key measures such as median incomes, homeownership and retirement.

Even with the enactment of the Fair Housing Act more than 50 years ago, today's Black homeownership rate is dwindling. According to Ohio State University professor, Trevon Logan, "The homeownership gap between Blacks and whites is higher today in percentage terms than it was in 1900."

Prof. Logan's position is bolstered by findings from



a 2020 report by the National Association of Realtors, that found:

- 62% of Black mortgage applicants were rejected because of their debt to income ratio, compared to A Snapshot of Race and Homebuying in America 5% of whites; and

- 51% of Blacks are first-time homeowners, compared to only 30% of Whites.

Moreover, since the Great Recession that heavily hit Black homeowners a decade ago, today's Black homeownership rate has yet to return to pre-recession levels.

With lower and life-long disparities in median income earnings, the ability to prepare for retirement is hindered as well. Social Security figures each worker's retirement benefit on the basis of a taxpayer's 35 highest-earning years. With lower incomes and a corresponding lack of monies available for savings or retirement, Black Americans rely on Social Security more than other races and/or ethnicities. Now, for much of Black America, Social Security is a financial lifeline and often the major retire-

ment benefit.

In sum, it seems that in 2020, historic ills remain virtually unchanged. A key component of what continues is police violence against Black America.

In 1963, escalating racial tensions that worsened with growing numbers of peaceful protests that became violent by counter-protesters and led to multiple arrests, prompted President John F. Kennedy to deliver a nationally televised address on America's racial reckoning.

"One hundred years of delay have passed since President Lincoln freed the slaves, yet their heirs, their grandsons, are not fully free", he continued. "They are not free from the bonds of injustice. They are not yet freed from social and economic oppression. And this Nation, for all its hopes and all its boasts, will not be fully free until all its citizens are free."

Fast forward and it is nearly inconceivable that the current president would deliver such an address. In fact, President Trump and HUD Secretary Ben Carson co-authored a recent op ed

in the Wall Street Journal that portrayed mixed income neighborhoods as "social engineering." The redlining of Black communities, racial covenants, real estate steering and restrictive zoning laws that together perpetuated segregated housing were never acknowledged in the guest column.

In response, Nikitra Bailey of the Center for Responsible Lending recently spoke with ABC News saying that the suburbs "intentionally created opportunities for White families while holding back opportunities for families of color...What we are really talking about is opportunity in our nation."

With escalated violence in a growing number of cities occurring just months before an election, everyday citizens and scholars are echoing community and national leaders on the connection between key policies like housing segregation to violent eruptions.

Last December, the Journal of the National Medical Association, the professional organization of Black physicians, published an article titled, The Relationship between Racial Residential

Segregation and Black-White Disparities in Fatal Police Shootings at the City Level, 2013–2017.

The authors concluded that "Racial residential segregation is a significant predictor of the magnitude of the Black-White disparity in fatal police shootings at the city level. Efforts to ameliorate the problem of fatal police violence must move beyond the individual level and consider the interaction between law enforcement officers and the neighborhoods that they police."

Before the thousands gathered this August, Rev. Sharpton, also spoke to this same concern.

"It's time we have a conversation with America. We need to have a conversation about your racism, about your bigotry, about your hate, about how you would put your knee on our neck while we cry our lives. We need a new conversation...You act like it's no trouble to shoot us in the back. You act like it's no trouble to put a choke hold on us while we scream, 'I can't breathe,' 11 times. You act like it's no trouble to hold a man down on the ground until you squeeze the life out of him."

"Our vote is dipped in blood," he continued. "Our vote is dipped in those that went to their grave. We don't care how long the line, we don't care what you do, we're going to vote, not for one candidate or the other, but we going to vote for a nation that'll stop the George Floyds, that'll stop the Breonna Taylors."

Let the church say Amen.

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Trump Leads by Division, While Biden Leads by Multiplication

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used to take their lives. Trump bizarrely points to the chaos engulfing the country on his watch and warns that this is what will happen if his opponent is elected. While scorning the governor and local officials as weak,

Trump took credit for ordering in the National Guard, though he had nothing to do with it. They were ordered in by the governor at the request of local officials. Trump offers no hope for reform. He acts only to fan fears and division in the hope it will help him in the election. Joe Biden came to Kenosha two days later. He met in a church with representatives of the community,

with firefighters and with local officials.

He heard the pain of those living with fears of police violence in the Black community, and expressed his concern at the systemic racism in our criminal justice system. He spent an hour with Blake's family and talked with Jacob Blake on the phone. He promised that he would work to bring reform, to address the scourge of racism that still scars our nation. He has condemned the violence, the vandals and the vigilantes, even as he praised those peacefully demonstrating for justice. He called for reform of the police, even as he distinguished the large number of dedicated police

from the lawless few who should be held accountable. He quoted Jacob Blake's mother who told him: "I'm praying for Jacob, but I'm praying for the policemen as well. I'm praying that things change."

The contrast was clear. Trump leads by subtraction and division; Biden by addition and multiplication. One fans polarization, the other seeks reconciliation. One peddles fears; the other offers hope. Trump refuses to condemn the right-wing vigilantes, even offering a defense of the 17-year-old Trump supporter who traveled to Kenosha with an assault weapon, and shot and killed two people, wounding another.

Trump refuses to acknowledge the provocations that lead unprecipitated numbers of people to protest peacefully for justice, dismissing them as "anarchists." Campaigning in 2016, he encouraged police to mistreat suspects, suggesting a little brutality would be a good thing. In the face of demonstrations marred by violence and vandalism, Biden chose not to abandon those demanding justice.

He condemned lawless actions on both right and left and called on Trump to do the same. At the same time, he reached out to the victim, and acknowledged the provocations that lead citizens to march for justice. Trump sees the

demonstrations as a political opportunity that he can use to scare those in the suburbs, to stand as the law-and-order candidate. He pretends that if re-elected he can bring order, ignoring that fact that he is president as the disorder spreads. Biden, in contrast, has felt the pain of losing a child. He hears the agony of African Americans who want safe neighborhoods and at the same time, live with real fears for the safety of their sons or daughters from the very forces tasked with protecting them.

In 1960 in the midst of a presidential campaign, Martin Luther King was arrested in Birmingham for leading peaceful protests for equal rights. He

was denounced as an outside agitator, a radical, a communist. John F. Kennedy made a dramatic call to King in his jail cell, making it clear that he understood the justice of his cause. That call had a dramatic effect on his razor-thin margin over Richard Nixon.

It also set the stage for the civil rights reforms that came after Kennedy's assassination. Biden's trip to Kenosha — at a time when Trump is desperately peddling fear and division to bolster his election changes — reminds me of Kennedy's courage. Americans must choose whether they want a leader who promises only to drive us apart or one who offers the possibility of bringing us together.

State Bank hosts home buyers' workshop

By: Journal Staff Writer

The American dream for most people entails owning a home. But for many of those people, they don't know where to begin at making that dream a reality.

On Saturday, September 19, State Bank hosted a free home buyer's workshop at The Truth Gallery, 1811 Adams St., to show interested buyers how to begin that process.

JacQuelon Wilson, community development mortgage loan originator, told The Toledo Journal the first thing that needs to be done is to have first time home buyers enroll into State Bank's Community Home Loan Program. There, perspective buyers learn all the ins and outs to purchasing a home. Afterward, a certificate is awarded to all those that complete the course.

"We educate them and answer all questions about homeownership, before the process begins. We want educated buyers," Ms. Wilson said.



JacQuelon Wilson, left, and Loreen Banks are ready to help start the process of being a homeowner for prospective buyers.

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She further explained that people typically think they're supposed to have a perfect credit score, and have thousands of dollars in the bank. In fact, a credit score of 650 and at least \$500.00 in

the bank for closing costs, are all that's needed. Additionally, there are other programs available at State Bank that will cover those closing costs. "I believe in our services, and it's my goal to get people

into a home who typically thinks they can't get a home," Ms. Wilson said. Also conducting the workshop was Loreen Banks, realtor for Key Realty. "This will be the biggest financial

investment in a person's life. This is a person's step into the middle class, so I want someone to feel connected to their home, before buying. I don't want anyone to experience buyer's remorse; that's how important this process is," she said.

Ms. Banks also said that once the homeowner begins to make improvements on the house, the equity, or value of the house increases. If the house was once worth \$60,000, and the owner puts in \$15,000 worth of work into the house, the value of the home increases to \$75,000.

"If need be, the owner can borrow off of their home for things such as sending their children to college, or taking care of medical needs," she said.

For more information about beginning the process of homeownership, contact JacQuelon Wilson at 419.885.5216, or 419.508.0806, and Loreen Bank at 419.450.5171.

105-Year Old Black Woman is Suing Tulsa for the Black Wall Street Massacre

Submitted

(Black News) - Nationwide — Lessie Benningfield Randle, a 105-year old Black

woman from Tulsa, Oklahoma, one of two known survivors of the tragic Tulsa massacre that is still alive, has filed a lawsuit demanding reparations. She alleges

that the act of racial violence is still haunting the community after almost 100 years. Tuesday, September 15, 2020 Randle leads the lawsuit claiming she still experiences

flashbacks of the burning streets filled with staked up bodies, according to her attorneys.

As a child, Randle witnessed the race massacre that occurred on May 31 and June 1, 1921. Around 300 Black people were killed by a white mob, allegedly backed by local authorities and police, who burned down a thriving black neighborhood.

The great-granddaughter of JB Stradford, who owned the Stradford Hotel which is the largest black-owned hotel in the US at that time, is also a plaintiff in the lawsuit.

The lawsuit accuses the city

of Tulsa, Tulsa County, the then serving sheriff of Tulsa County, the Oklahoma national guard, and Tulsa regional chamber of being directly involved in the massacre and having "unjustly enriched themselves at the expense of the black citizens of Tulsa and the survivors and descendants of the 1921 Tulsa race massacre."

Damarion Solomon-Simmons, part of a team of attorneys who filed the lawsuit, said that the events in 1921 served as a factor in the problems Black people in Tulsa face. In Tulsa, 34%

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The Social Butterfly helps give small businesses an economic boost

By: Jurry Taalib-Deen
Journal Staff Writer

Recently, small or upstart businesses have been ‘popping up’ around Toledo; sometimes in parking lots, or former strip malls, as a way to get exposure new business owners to new customers, and boost their revenues. The events are usually organized by a person, or an organization with a desire to help blooming entrepreneurs. Long before this current trend, approximately nine years ago, Donnetta Carter, who’s known as the ‘Social Butterfly,’ was providing such a venue for area businesses. Specializing in marketing, and promotion, she told The Toledo Journal that God gave her the vision to help business owners get more exposure.

Saturday, September 19, at Aldersgate United Methodist Church, 4030 Douglas Rd., Ms. Carter gave area businesses that opportunity once again to reach out to new clientele.

Approximately 50 businesses spread out in the parking lot of the church sold various items such as facemasks, shirts, jewelry, food, and plants; also voter registration was on hand to register first time voters. A



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Fifty businesses had the opportunity to reach clientele they may not have been able to, if it wasn’t for the venue.

live DJ played the latest songs, while customers, safely shopped on a mild,

and sunny day.

“This is small business Saturday, and

I’m doing everything I can to help promote these businesses,” Ms. Carter said. “Years ago, God showed me there was a demand for more diverse businesses, but those businesses didn’t have a venue. So I began locating places to host these types of events, which would draw the type of crowd, to help these businesses.”

Sheila Brown, designs, and sells facemasks. She described the event as, “Awesome. I’m glad I have the opportunity to sell my product here, on this beautiful day.”

“This is a wonderful event,” said Kai Hayes, business owner, who designs, and sells various apparel aimed

at uplifting women.

“It’s so motivating seeing so many people supporting each other today. Events like this are always needed,” she said.

In addition to providing a venue for the businesses, Ms. Carter helped the church with a food drive. She said the collaboration between her, and the church will be a yearly event.

“This is small business Saturday, and I’m doing everything I can to help promote these businesses.”

For more information about the next business expo, Donnetta Carter can be contacted at 419.367.9765, or email her at thesocialbutterfly@yahoo.com. She’s also on Facebook as the Social Butterfly.



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Donnetta Carter, right, with Amanda Koraleski, business owner. Ms. Koraleski sold garden products, and various types of crafts.



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Donnetta Carter, left, with Kai Hayes, business owner. Ms. Hayes designs, and sells items geared to uplift women.



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Donnetta Carter, left, with Sheila Brown, who described the event as awesome, and thanked Ms. Carter for providing the venue.

Lourdes University Announces a New Degree Pathway Option for Nurses

Competency-Based Online Degree Path is COVID-19 Proof

By: Briana Peters MOL
Lourdes University Marketing & Communications Specialist

Dr. Terry Keller, Vice President of Academic Affairs, is pleased to announce a new online degree pathway option for nurses. Through a competency-based education approach, RNs can be in control of their learning experience. The speed to degree completion is based on each student's skills and schedule.

This innovative and flexible approach is 100% online, offers frequent starts throughout the year, provides personalized mentorship, and the opportunity for accelerated degree completion at an overall cost savings. Because of its online and flexible nature, the student may not experience any delays in academic delivery due to a pandemic or other unexpected event.

Students can choose to enroll in the RN to BSN (Bachelor of Science in Nursing) program or the Master of Science in Nursing program for those seeking to



become Nurse Educators. The first start date for these degree option programs is January 2021.

In the Summer of 2020, the Higher Learning Commission approved Lourdes University to offer this type of degree delivery. Lourdes has chosen to offer this option first to nurses who want to further their career while continuing to work on the front line where they provide essential and important care.

While not an entirely new concept in higher education, very few universities and colleges across the US have incorporated competency-based education, a highly

personalized path to degree completion. Dr. Angela Dunn, Coordinator of Competency-Based Education, has been working with the College of Nursing and University personnel to fully integrate this new degree pathway.

"Lourdes is known for providing excellent nursing programs. Our nurses are some of the most sought after professionals because of the integrity they possess and the quality of care they deliver," says Dr. Sandra Greniewicki, Dean of the College of Nursing. "Our traditional face-to-face and online programs already offer a tremendous level of personalized education. The

difference with a competency-based education approach is that there are not set lesson plans and deadlines for the class. Instead, the student completes the competencies or courses at their preferred pace without having to wait or adhere to a specific time frame."

What is unique about the Lourdes competency-based education approach is the level of personalization in the online programs. With a 1 to 1 student to faculty ratio, RNs enrolled in the degree programs work one on one with a faculty mentor with full access to academic resources and guidance when needed.

Each semester, students pay a flat tuition rate and can enroll in and complete the number of competencies (equal to credit hours) that best fit their schedule. Those who progress quickly through this degree path option could very well realize a cost savings and increase the speed to degree completion.

To learn more about the RN to BSN and MSN: Nurse Educator competency-based education degree programs, contact Dr. Angela Dunn, Coordinator of Competency Based Education at 419-824-3834, adunn@lourdes.edu or visit www.lourdescbe.com.

Court awards three Ohio school districts \$42 million due to the Ohio Department of Education's failure to fund the districts according to law

Toledo City School District awarded over \$4.8 million plus interest

Submitted

On September 10, 2020, Judge Gina R. Russo of the Franklin County Court of Common Pleas issued a decision awarding three Ohio public school districts \$42 million, plus interest, based on the Ohio Department of Education's unlawful reduction of school funding for fiscal years 2005-2007.

The plaintiffs are the Cleveland, Dayton and Toledo city school districts, each of which sought the recovery of funds that it was entitled to receive if ODE had calculated funding according to law but did not receive as the result of ODE's unlawful conduct. The trial court ruled that all three districts were found to have been unlawfully deprived of funding by ODE, and ODE has been ordered to pay Toledo equitable restitution in the amount of \$4.8 million.

"By now, the students who lost valuable educational

opportunities due to the reduced funding, that was the basis of the litigation, have most likely graduated from our district," said Dr. Romules Durant, CEO/Superintendent for Toledo Public Schools. "However, the funding that flows from the court's decision to our district will provide enhanced classroom learning for our current students. We are excited that our students and teachers will benefit from this decision."

How did the funding miscalculations occur?

The underpayment to these districts was the direct result of ODE's decision in 2005 to substitute an unlawful funding methodology for the methodology established by the legislature and specified by law. Prior to the litigation resulting in the recent award to these three urban school districts, a fourth district, the Cincinnati City School District, filed a lawsuit in 2006, securing a \$6 million judgment in its favor based on the

same unlawful underfunding by ODE. The Dayton City School District and ODE then negotiated a settlement of a portion of Dayton's similar claims, pursuant to which Dayton was paid over \$7 million by ODE. After ODE paid a total of over \$13 million to Cincinnati and Dayton, the Ohio General Assembly enacted legislation that partially insulated ODE from further claims, doing so without public debate and for the sole purpose of limiting claims by other districts. The intent of this legislation was to shield ODE from further liability and relieve it of any accountability for having unlawfully deprived Ohio school districts of tens of millions of dollars in funding.

The three school district plaintiffs in the current case (Dayton, suing for the unsettled portion of its claims; and Cleveland and Toledo) challenged the legislation as unconstitutional, in violation of the Ohio Constitution's prohibition on

retroactive legislation and other provisions of the Ohio Constitution. Both the trial court and the court of appeals agreed that the legislation was unconstitutionally retroactive (and did not rule on the districts' other arguments). But the Ohio Supreme Court, notwithstanding several prior cases to the contrary, found that the retroactivity clause does not protect political subdivisions such as school districts. The case was remanded to the Franklin County Court of Common Pleas for consideration of the districts' other legal arguments.

The current decision in favor of Toledo resulted from the court's finding that ODE failed to fully comply with its statutory duty to ensure that the district's funding – which was debited by ODE on account of community school enrollees – was also augmented on account of each such student, including all mid-year community school enrollees,

as required by law. Judge Russo ordered ODE to pay the district equitable restitution in the amount they were entitled to receive had ODE so augmented the district's funding, in accordance with law – over \$13.7 million in Cleveland's case.

ODE's intention to pay the judgment and stop the rapidly accruing interest on the judgment or file an appeal is unknown at this time.

"The financial implications of continuing the litigation cannot be overestimated," said Jim Hughes, an attorney with Bricker & Eckler representing the plaintiffs. "Post-judgment interest awarded by the court on the entire award is accruing from the date of the decision at a rate of over \$100,000 per month. And, yet, while \$42 million is a significant sum, it represents less than 1% of the state's appropriations for Basic Public School Support education budget."

Figuring out Face Masks



By: Glenn Ellis
Wire Writer

(TriceEdneyWire.com)
- "What kind of face mask should I wear to protect myself from getting COVID-19?"
There is no longer any debate to be had on whether, or not, face masks offer us protection from the COVID-19 virus (by sensible people, anyway). The WHO, the CDC, and the NIH are all in agreement, and the global data on the transmission and resurgent spikes in infection rates after "re-openings" all bear the stark reality of our collective foreseeable future: wearing face masks.
There's nothing to be gained by questioning whether it makes a difference or not.

The science is sound, and the research is indisputable. If 95 percent of people wear cloth masks when within 6 feet of other people in public, it will reduce COVID-19 transmission by at least 30 percent. So, if every infected person transmits the virus to 30 percent fewer people, it improves the chances of surviving the continual spread of COVID-19.
When it comes to choosing a face mask, The Journal of Science Advances found that the best protection from the COVID-19 virus is a fitted N95 or three-layer surgical mask. Let's look at what it is about these two.
All things considered equal, hands down, the fitted N95 mask is better, compared to surgical masks. A 2013 study in the Journal of Aerosol Science and Technology found surgical masks can filter about 60 percent of smaller, inhaled particles; an N95 would filter 95 percent.
Some N95 masks have valves that make them easier to breathe through. With this type of mask, unfiltered air is released when the wearer exhales. Have you seen people walking around with

those face masks with those "valves" to breathe out of? Those masks make it easier for you to breathe out but, you're also exhaling your germs into the air around you. Even though they do a good job protecting the wearer, but because of the one-way valves, they don't offer much protection to the people around the wearer. If the wearer is contagious, either knowingly or unknowingly, they could still be spreading the virus to others around them. Since the main reason to wear a mask is to protect others, a simpler mask with a filter may be a better choice.
The N95 will give you better filter penetration as a result of the face-seal leaking when you inhale or exhale, when tested in the laboratory. But we live in the real world, not a laboratory. This virus' transmission is sinister and tricky.
A "fitted" N95 face mask is only as good as it is used under ideal circumstances and worn in the proper manner. It is because the face seal is important for protection, and fit testing is important for efficiency; they are generally recommended to be made available for health care,

frontline, and other essential workers as a priority. Their workplaces typically will have in the place, systems and procedures to ensure that N95 masks are used properly to protect from infection.
Although those blue, disposable masks are not close fitting, like an N95, they are fluid resistant and do provide you with some protection against the larger respiratory droplets from coughs and sneezes. The most effective protection that these disposable masks provide is that they will prevent you from spreading infectious droplets to others. Reminder...they are DISPOSABLE. One-time use is it. Anything else, and you're doing yourself more harm than good.
Some folks are getting very creative...and practical. They are making face masks out of socks, and towels, and whatever. They have limited effectiveness. A face mask made out of a towel?
We are going to be wearing them for a long, long time. We might as well start looking for ways to make the reality as comfortable as possible, while being as safe as possible.
Johns Hopkins offer some

very good advice on face masks. They say that you should look for face masks with at least 2 layers of fabric. The mask should cover your nose and mouth without large gaps, or lots of movement and slipping. Try to get a face mask that has adjustable ear loops. If you're like me, and wear glasses, Johns Hopkins suggests a mask with a bendable border at the top. This type allows you to mold the face mask to fit the bridge of your nose and prevent your glasses from fogging. Professional masks should be reserved for health care workers on the front lines caring for patients.
Now, with all of that said, back in 2016, Canadian researchers published study results that concluded "our meta-analysis showed that there were insufficient data to determine definitively whether N95 respirators are superior to surgical masks in protecting health care workers against transmissible acute respiratory infections in clinical settings".
To sum up face masks, here is the "takeaway". No face

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Every Young Man Should Know About This Type Of Cancer Prevention

(NAPSI)—Young men and those who care about them should consider the story of Max Mallory. At 22 he graduated from college and started his dream job in the video game industry. He landed the job before graduation at the company where he had interned for almost a year. Set up in his own apartment, he started to live his life on his own and navigate the nuances of that first professional job. Life was fine until mid-October, when Max experienced what seemed like stomach troubles and minor back pain. After two visits to urgent care centers where doctors prescribed antibiotics, he came home to stay with his dad and visit a urologist. He never made it to that medical appointment. Doubled over with sudden pain the next afternoon, he called 911. Late that evening in the emergency room, he heard the worrisome diagnosis: late-stage testicular cancer. His cancer journey lasted only seven hard-fought months. He had an aggressive testicular cancer, choriocarcinoma. He passed away

three days after he received the first round of stem cells. He couldn't have prevented his testicular cancer with self-exams, since he "was born with" one testicle that was healthy. Be Aware of the Other Cause Mallory was born with one undescended testicle, known in medical terms as cryptorchidism and identified as the most common genital problem pediatricians encounter (Medscape). He had exploratory surgery at age one. He and his parents were told he was born with one testicle, that the undescended testicle they were looking for wasn't there. Over the years, no one questioned this situation—though he regularly saw pediatricians. His cancer did not appear as a lump or tumor on his testicle. The malignant mass rested in his lower abdomen. The acute back pain became the catalyst for action. Unknown to him, his "missing" testicle existed after all and developed into the cancerous tissue. By the time he made it to the E.D., it had already spread to other parts of his

body. What Can Be Done? For boys and men with two testicles, self-exam is key. Some schools, coaches and informed doctors have told these young men how to go about it. There are many sources online for the information; for example, the Mayo Clinic is a good place to check. For those who have had an undescended testicle, it's important to find out what was done about it. If it was surgically put in place (usually done in infancy), there is still a slightly higher risk of testicular cancer. Your doctor should know about this. More Info The Max Mallory Foundation was founded in 2017 and provides awareness of testicular cancer not identified "with a lump" and self-exam. It also assists young adults with cancer, an underserved group and works in association with other testicular cancer organizations. The Foundation is a 501c(3) organization. Mallory's full story is on the website, <https://maxmalloryfoundation.com>.

Prostate Cancer Awareness Month Kicks Off COVID-19 Concerns in 2020 Must Not Reduce Prostate Cancer Screenings

WASHINGTON, D.C. — Men's Health Network (MHN) continues its push to raise prostate health awareness for men of all ages during Prostate Cancer Awareness Month this September. This year, concerns about COVID-19 have reduced screening rates, raising the specter of higher numbers of cancer cases in the future. "Clearly, postponing procedures and deferring care as a result of the pandemic was prudent at one time, but the spread, duration, and future peaks of COVID-19 remain unclear," said Norman E. Sharpless, director of the U.S. National Cancer Institute in Bethesda, MD, in a opinion piece for Science magazine. "However, ignoring life-threatening-COVID-19 conditions such as cancer for too long may turn one public health crisis into many others. Let's avoid that outcome." Prostate cancer remains a leading cancer in American men, second only to skin cancer; about 3.1 million men are living with the disease with approximately 30,000 men dying each year. The American Cancer Society's estimates for prostate cancer in the United States for 2020 are:

• About 191,930 new cases of prostate cancer
 • About 33,330 deaths from prostate cancer
 Prostate cancer can be serious, but most men diagnosed with it do not die from it. More than 3.1 million men in the U.S. who have been diagnosed with prostate cancer at some point are still alive today, the American Cancer Society says. "We want to remind men to discuss prostate health and screening options for prostate cancer with their healthcare providers, and not to delay screenings for prostate cancer because of COVID-19," said Ana Fadich Tomsic, MPH, CHES, Vice President of MHN. "During Prostate Cancer Awareness Month and throughout the rest of the year, MHN continues to advocate that men in all at-risk age groups, including those over the age of 69, be screened for prostate cancer." Prostate cancer remains a health concern for men

over 69. Men aged 70–74, specifically, lead all age groups in new cases of prostate cancer, according to the most recent data provided by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC). MHN will continue awareness efforts during September promoting health screenings, strengthening partnerships, and media engagement. Other social media activities will be announced as the month progresses. MHN will also continue advocating for the health and wellness of men through its work with the Congressional Men's Health Caucus. MHN believes that early detection through screenings like the Prostate-Specific Antigen test (PSA) and digital rectal exams (DRE) is the key to successful treatment, which is responsible for saving an untold number of men by encouraging them to discuss prostate cancer and early detection with their healthcare provider. "Lives can be saved when there is more communication and awareness on health matters," said Vivek Sinha, MD, an MHN advisor specializing in Family Medicine. "Prostate Cancer Awareness Month is an excellent opportunity to open dialogue on preventive screenings for the disease — a more cognizant patient is able to make informed decisions about their health." For more on Prostate Cancer Awareness Month, MHN is directing inquiries to - www.ProstateCancerAwarenessMonth.com - that has free downloadable fact sheets, brochures, and posters, links to national advocacy organizations, a link to the President's message on prostate cancer, and a social media toolkit. To learn more about prostate cancer and prostate health, visit the Prostate Health Guide at <http://www.ProstateHealthGuide.com> and the Men's Health Resource Center at <http://www.MensHealthResourceCenter.com> Men's Health Network encourages all men to Get It Checked (www.GetItChecked.com).

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Hyundai Hope On Wheels Celebrates Childhood Cancer Awareness with a \$11.2 Million Gift To Pediatric Cancer Research

The non-profit embarks on a virtual month-long series of events and announces 26 researcher grant winners at children’s hospitals throughout the nation in the month of September. Additional grants provided to add even more COVID-19 testing sites.



Submitted

Hyundai Hope On Wheels® (HHOW), a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization, supported by Hyundai Motor America and its U.S. dealers, announces its 22nd consecutive year in the fight to end childhood cancer. September is National Childhood Cancer Awareness month and the organization announces new grant winners in efforts of finding more cures and improving care for children fighting pediatric cancer. When a child is diagnosed

with pediatric cancer, s/he is immediately thrust into a scary world of cancer. For a child diagnosed, the journey back to health often includes constant trips to the hospital, medical tests, surgeries, and nights spent away from all things familiar. The non-profit organization has selected 26 grant winners for pediatric cancer research and 23 institutions to receive grants for COVID-19 testing. To date, this brings Hyundai Hope On Wheels donations to just over \$172 million to support the fight against pediatric cancer. The annual September campaign theme is Every Handprint Tells A Story. Every 36 minutes a child is diagnosed with pediatric cancer. There are more than 15,000 new cases of pediatric cancer diagnosed in the United States each year. Although 80% of kids with cancer can be cured, pediatric cancer remains the leading cause of death by disease among U.S. children. With its Every Handprint Tells A Story campaign, Hyundai Hope On Wheels brings together the many stakeholders – the child,

families, doctors, hospitals, advocates, donors, and others – who work to identify new ways to find a cure and improve care for children battling pediatric cancer. When a child is diagnosed, it not only changes their life, but his/her family and broader communal network. “As the board chair for Hyundai Hope On Wheels, there is no greater joy for me than to meet the faces of brave pediatric cancer fighters at children’s hospitals across the nation,” says Scott Fink, Board Chair and Hyundai owner, Hyundai of New Port Richey (New Port Richey, FL) and Hyundai of Wesley Chapel (Wesley Chapel, FL). “These amazing kids embody the word hope. They exemplify all that’s wonderful about childhood, and they show adults the courage of facing adversity. The reality is there



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is nothing fun about being a kid with cancer. With Hyundai Hope On Wheels, we will continue this fight the disease, and help these children thrive and return to a happy and normal life.”

Hyundai Hope On Wheels grants are awarded through a competitive peer-reviewed process. The Scholar Hope Grant and The Young Investigator grants are awarded during the month of September, exclusively to COG member institutions. This year, the organization awarded COVID-19 drive-thru testing grants to 23 sites throughout the nation. More than one-million COVID-19 tests have been completed at sites supported by the Hyundai grant.

2020 Every Handprint Tells A Story Campaign elements

The Hyundai Hope On Wheels annual September

campaign, Every Handprint Tells A Story, crisscrosses the nation to increase awareness and raise awareness of pediatric cancer. Highlights of this year’s campaign include:

- Nationwide Virtual Grant Ceremonies to 26 new grants winners
- Video stories of hope from child survivors and doctor researchers
- Annual 2020 Celebration of Hope Awards, to be broadcast online on September 19th
- Interactive website experience at HyundaiHopeOnWheels.org
- Social media childhood cancer survivor and doctor-researcher videos
- National Media Day
- And more....

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mask of any kind is a silver bullet. Even an N95 won't save you if you touch your face with contaminated hands right after you take it off. Face masks must be used in combination with physical distancing, hand hygiene, and other protective measures. One last thing...Don't forget, you can reduce your own chances of catching the virus by wearing one

yourself, even if nobody else around you is. Remember, I'm not a doctor. I just sound like one! Take good care of yourself and live the best life possible! The information included in this column is for educational purposes only. I do not dispense medical advice or prescribe the use of any technique as a replacement form of treatment for physical, mental or medical problems by your doctor either directly or indirectly.

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105-Year Old Black Woman is Suing Tulsa



Lessie Benningfield Randle, a 105-year old Black woman from Tulsa, Oklahoma, one of two known survivors of the tragic Tulsa massacre that is still alive.

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of black people live in poverty, in comparison to 13% of white people, according to Human Rights Watch. For decades, the survivors of the massacre fought for justice. In 2001, it was found that the city indeed conspired with white citizens against Black residents. Direct payments to survivors and descendants were then suggested but no payments were ever made and they were only given a medal by the city. Moreover, a renewed outrage sparked after Donald Trump set a campaign rally in Tulsa on Juneteenth, intended to

commemorate the end of slavery in the US. Since it drew negative feedback, Trump moved the rally on the next day.

“For decades, the survivors of the massacre fought for justice. In 2001, it was found that the city indeed conspired with white citizens against Black residents.”

Ongoing Events

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Contact: Ruth Leonard 419-329-8177 or Bro. Washington Muhammad CDCA, OCPSI 419-973-0248 mobile.

Sept. 26th

Engage Toledo Drop Off Refuse and Recycling

Acceptable items include electronic waste, but no televisions, CRT monitors, or appliances; 10 tires, on or off the rim, but no commercial tires; documents; houseware goods; clothing; toys; bulky items, and refuse. Latex paint will be accepted for \$1 per gallon. Representatives from the U.S. Census Bureau will also be present to inform residents about the importance of completing the census. Future Engage Toledo Drop Off Refuse and Recycling Events are 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. on the following dates:
Sept. 26 at Friendship Park, 2930 131st St.
For more information please call Engage Toledo at 419-936-2020 or visit www.toledo.oh.gov.

Sept. 26th

Democracy Days

Register to vote, get an absentee ballot, and/or complete the Census at Democracy Days!

Saturday, Sept. 26, 10AM-12PM

- All Library locations
 - Navarre Park - 1101 White St.
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Oct. 1st.

First Thursday presents Bluff Street Village Low-Income Housing

Rev. Larry Clark, Pastor of Monroe Street United Methodist Church and Project Director of Bluff Street Village, will discuss development of a tiny house community for low-income families on property near the church at the October 1 First Thursday discussion series. The presentation starts at 12:30 as a zoom event. Bluff Street Village will consist of up to 20 all-electric houses with solar panels at a maximum rent of \$400 a month.

The zoom link for the presentation is included below. There is no charge for the zoom presentation. Anyone wishing to make a donation to help defray the costs of the series may send a check to St. Paul's Lutheran Church, 428 N Erie Street, Toledo, OH 43604, with

"First Thursday" in the memo line. The 2020-2021 series continues November 5 with Toledo Mayor Wade Kapszukiewicz.

Contacts:

- Rev. Pete Bowmer, 419-243-4214, pastor.pete@stpaulstoledo.org
- Fr. John Blaser, 419-344-1295, lormanj@gmail.com

Zoom Access

- Oct 1, 2020 12:30 PM ET
- Join Zoom Meeting: <https://zoom.us/j/95689708436>
- Meeting ID: 956 8970 8436
- Find your local number: <https://zoom.us/u/acAzCvBP8i>

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The City of Toledo, Streets, Bridges, & Harbor Division is interested in contracting with owners/operators of snow plow vehicles for plowing on residential streets during heavy snow conditions. All bids must be received by **1:30 PM October 20th, 2020**. For a copy of the bid proposals and specifications visit <https://www.planetbids.com/portal/portal.cfm?CompanyID=22576> or contact:

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DIVERSITY AND INCLUSION PROGRAMMING SPECIALIST

Metroparks has an opening for a full time Diversity and Inclusion Programming Specialist position at Wildwood Preserve Metropark to carry out programs and special events that focus on the inclusion of diverse populations and to develop and coordinate those with community partnerships. Bachelor's degree preferred or equivalent work experience. Moderate level of experience in program development, production and evaluation and producing special events to diverse populations. Experience in developing and coordinating partnerships with community organizations. Must be 18 years of age and hold a valid driver's license. \$18.45/hr. Full time with benefits. Please visit www.metroparkstoledo.com <<http://www.metroparkstoledo.com>>/careers for complete list of position requirements and duties; must submit online application and resume. EOE

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Lucas County Board of Developmental Disabilities

Join a progressive and vital team that impacts the lives of hundreds of people every day. Lucas County Board of Developmental Disabilities is now hiring, and offers competitive compensation and a comprehensive benefits package. We are currently recruiting for the following positions:
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BLACK HISTORY FACTS

- September 29, 1784:** First African Lodge established by Prince Hall.
- September 25, 1861:** Secretary of U.S. Navy authorized enlistment of slaves.
- September 27, 1912:** WC Handy publishes the first blues song, Memphis Blues.
- September 23, 1926:** John Coltrane, innovative and famed jazz musician born.
- September 24, 1935:** Joe Louis, World Heavyweight Champion, becomes the first black boxer to draw a million dollar gate.
- September 26, 1937:** Bessie Smith, blues singer, dies.
- September 23, 1962:** Dr. King dedicates Mount Hermon Baptist Church, the newly constructed church of his uncle, the Rev. Joel L. King, Sr., in Mansfield, Ohio
- September 28, 1991:** Miles Davis Jazz Innovator and composer dies, 65
- September 24, 2015:** When speaking before a joint meeting of the U.S. Congress, Pope Francis references Dr. King's "dream", saying, "That dream continues to inspire us all."
- September 24, 2016:** The National Museum of African American History and Culture opens near the Washington Monument as part of the Smithsonian Institution's complex in Washington, D.C.

Samuel Massie: Regarded as one of the top chemists of the 20th century, Samuel Massie developed life-changing drugs to fight multiple blood-borne diseases, and conducted research on cancer-fighting medicine. He was appointed by President Lyndon B. Johnson in 1966 to become the first black chemistry professor at the U.S. Naval Academy.


Beth Brown: Beth Brown was the first African American woman to earn a Ph.D. in astrophysics from the University of Michigan's Department of Astronomy. A leader in her field, she became the Assistant Director for Science Communication and Higher Education for the Sciences and Exploration Director at NASA's Goddard Space Flight Center.

BOARD VACANCIES

LEGAL NOTICE

The Lucas County Board of Developmental Disabilities is seeking to fill several vacancies on its Board of Directors. Applicants shall be residents of Lucas County, citizens of the United States, interested and knowledgeable in the field of intellectual disabilities and other allied fields, and, to the maximum extent possible, have professional training and experience in business management, finance, law, health care practice, personnel administration, or government service. One appointment shall be to complete an unexpired term through December 31, 2021. Two appointments will be to serve 4-year terms beginning January 1, 2021 through December 31, 2024. Interested applicants will need to complete an Application for Public Volunteer located on website www.co.lucas.oh.us and attach resume. Please submit materials to Benjamin Pushka, Board of Lucas County Commissioners, One Government Center, Suite 800, Toledo, OH 43604, by Wednesday, September 30, 2020.

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Netflix Orders 10 Episodes of Animated ‘Good Times’ Series Co-Produced By Steph Curry

Nationwide — Netflix has given a 10-episode, straight-to-series order to a new animated take on Norman Lear’s classic sitcom “Good Times.” Carl Jones, whose credits include animated series “The Boondocks” and “Black Dynamite,” as well as TBS’ Tracy Morgan star “The Last O.G.,” will create, showrun and executive produce the project.

The new animated series will follow “the Evans family as they navigate today’s world and contemporary social issues. Just as the original did years ago, ‘Good Times’ strives to remind us that with the love of our family, we can keep our heads above water.

Lear and his Act III Productions company are partnering with basketball star Steph Curry and his production company, Unanimous Media, as well as Seth MacFarlane and his shingle Fuzzy Door, to develop the show.

The original “Good Times” aired for six seasons on CBS, from 1974 to 1979, and was created by Eric Monte and Mike Evans, and developed by Lear. It was a spin-off of “Maude,” which in turn was a spin-off of Lear and Bud Yorkin’s “All in the Family.”



WERD Was America’s First Black-Owned Radio Station



Black News - In 1949, bank president and professor Jesse B. Blayton purchased a radio station for the price of \$50,000. With the acquisition, the 1,000 watt-powered WERD officially became the country’s first African American-owned and operated station, and an important element of the burgeoning civil rights movement in Atlanta.

Blayton would later hire his son, Jesse Jr., to serve as station manager, as well as popular Atlanta DJ Jack Gibson in 1951, and WERD would become a fixture for black-centric programming.

The station was also famously housed in the same building as the Southern Christian Leadership Conference, and naturally became a platform for SCLC founder and civil rights leader Dr.

Martin Luther King, Jr. Gibson described an arrangement wherein Dr. King would strike the first-floor ceiling with a broomstick when he wished to make an announcement over the airwaves, prompting Gibson to lower a microphone through a window from the second floor to one below, which would be used to broadcast the message.

Gibson — often credited as an influential voice in the popularization of hip-hop music — would be inducted into the Black Radio Hall of Fame in 1989. Blayton Sr. remained owner of the station until 1968, though he would continue his community involvement until his passing in September of 1977.

He was posthumously inducted into the National Radio Hall of Fame in 1995.

Kick the ‘But’ Out of Your Life



By W. Eric Croomes
Wire Writer

How are believers to think? Do we have a moral if not religious obligation to think positively? I say yes! When you think about it, believers have far more

reason to think uplifting and positive thoughts than non-believers. “Faith” and “but” do not belong in the same sentence.

Proverbs 23:7 reads, For as he thinketh in his heart, so is he. Elsewhere, Jesus says, “...for where your treasure is, there your heart will be you also.” (Matthew 6:21).

If it is true that we become what we think about, the question is what thoughts dominate us? On average, between 60,000 to 80,000 thoughts flood our brains each day. Neuroscientists suggest most of those thoughts (up to 80%) are negative.

We literally control our lives by controlling our thoughts. Follow this simple four-step believer’s mindset for becoming what you think about.

Mind-Set#One
Set a Settled Purpose
Become a human being with a settled

purpose. A settled purpose is anything which produces good. Think good! Select an area of your life in which you desire change. Set a goal and believe in it. Speak life into it. Make the achievement of that goal – improving your finances, launching a business, earning a degree - the center of your thinking. Think on these things, writes Paul (Philippians 4:8).

Mind-Set#Two
Anticipate Success
Many dreams die because people spend more time thinking ‘obstacle’ rather than ‘opportunity’. Think success. Believers are optimistic people. Yes, consider the possible roadblocks, but do not give your emotional energy to it. It is simple: we cannot live a positive life while thinking negative. Learn to kick the ‘but’ out of your life; do not be the person who says “I want to launch my own business but...”

Mind-Set#Three

See the End
This success mind-set is difficult, if only because most people are riddled with doubts and paralyzed by fear. Why? Because when we launch a great endeavor, the temptation is to become locked into what we see. We see bills, we see low funds, we see debt and all that clouds us to seeing what is most important – our dreams realized! In Scripture, Joseph saw the pit his brothers threw him into, but he also saw greater things. Do not trust your doubts. We walk by faith, not by sight. Push through and see the end.

Practical Application: It is a good idea to list the pros and cons of any potentially negative situation or possible outcome. List both on a sheet of paper regarding the major goal in your life. I guarantee the pros will come out on top!

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Are you Driving an Unsafe Car? What You Need to Know About Recalls

By James C. Owens
Deputy Administrator, U.S. Department of Transportation, National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA)

Only you can protect your family or yourself from defective or noncompliant vehicles or equipment that could pose a threat to your safety.

Hundreds of injuries have been reported, and 16 people have been killed in the U.S. by defective air bags that are part of the largest and most complex vehicle recalls in U.S. history—affecting tens of millions of vehicles from 19 automakers. Getting these unsafe vehicles repaired is integral to improving safety and saving lives. The U.S. Department of Transportation, National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA) is urging vehicle owners to take a few simple steps to protect themselves and others from this urgent threat to safety. Learning how to check for recalls is the first important step, and the next is knowing how to get your recall fixed for FREE.

What is a vehicle recall?

A vehicle safety recall is just that—bringing an unsafe vehicle



to a dealership to resolve a safety problem when a manufacturer or NHTSA determines that a vehicle or piece of equipment has a safety-related defect or does not comply with federal standards. Manufacturers are required to fix the problem by repairing it, replacing it, offering a refund, or in rare cases, repurchasing the vehicle. In 2019 alone, there were over 38 million vehicles recalled.

Check for recalls

If your vehicle is currently under recall, you should receive a notice in the mail from your vehicle's manufacturer. If you're worried about missing a notice, you can also stay up to date on recalls by signing up for notification emails.

You don't need to wait for a notification

to find out if your vehicle is under recall. Visit <https://www.NHTSA.gov/recalls> and enter your VIN to see if your vehicle is under recall. You can also use NHTSA's website to check on vehicle-related products, such as car seats, tires or equipment.

Not sure where your VIN is? Look on the lower left of your vehicle's windshield. It is 17 characters long. Your VIN is also located on your vehicle registration card, and may be shown on your insurance card too.

Get the repair (for FREE!)

If your vehicle is under recall, follow any interim safety guidance provided by the manufacturer and contact your local dealership to get the FREE recall repair.

Report problems for investigation

If you think your vehicle or equipment could have a safety defect, reporting it to NHTSA is important. If the agency receives similar reports from a number of people about the same product, this could indicate that a safety-related defect exists that would warrant an investigation. You can report any suspected safety defects to NHTSA one of two easy ways: by visiting www.NHTSA.gov/recalls, or by calling NHTSA's vehicle safety hotline (888-327-4236 or 800-424-9393 toll-free from anywhere in the United States, Puerto Rico, and the Virgin Islands).

Vehicle owner reports fuel NHTSA's work, and that's why we're committed to sharing more information with you about how to report recalls. NHTSA recommends checking your VIN twice a year to see if your vehicle is under any safety recall: when you set your clocks forward in the spring and when you set them back in the fall. Stay in touch with NHTSA and keep an eye on your mailbox for direct alerts. And if your vehicle is under recall, get it repaired for FREE immediately. With safer drivers and safer cars, we'll have safer roads—and your efforts can help save lives.

Black History

The first African-American to coach an NBA team was Bill Russell. He coached the Boston Celtics in 1966.

The first black athlete to win a Grand Slam Tournament was Althea Gibson. She won the French Open in

1956, and went on to win four more Grand Slam Tournaments. After tennis, she moved to golf, and was the first African American on the LPGA Tour in 1963.

Sheryl Swoopes was the first female athlete to have an athletic shoe named after her.

In 2004, Robert L. Johnson became the first African-

American principal owner of a major league sports franchise in the US.

Don Newcome was the first African-American to win the Cy Young Award as the top pitcher in MLB in 1956.

In 1988 Johnny Grier became the first African-American NFL referee.

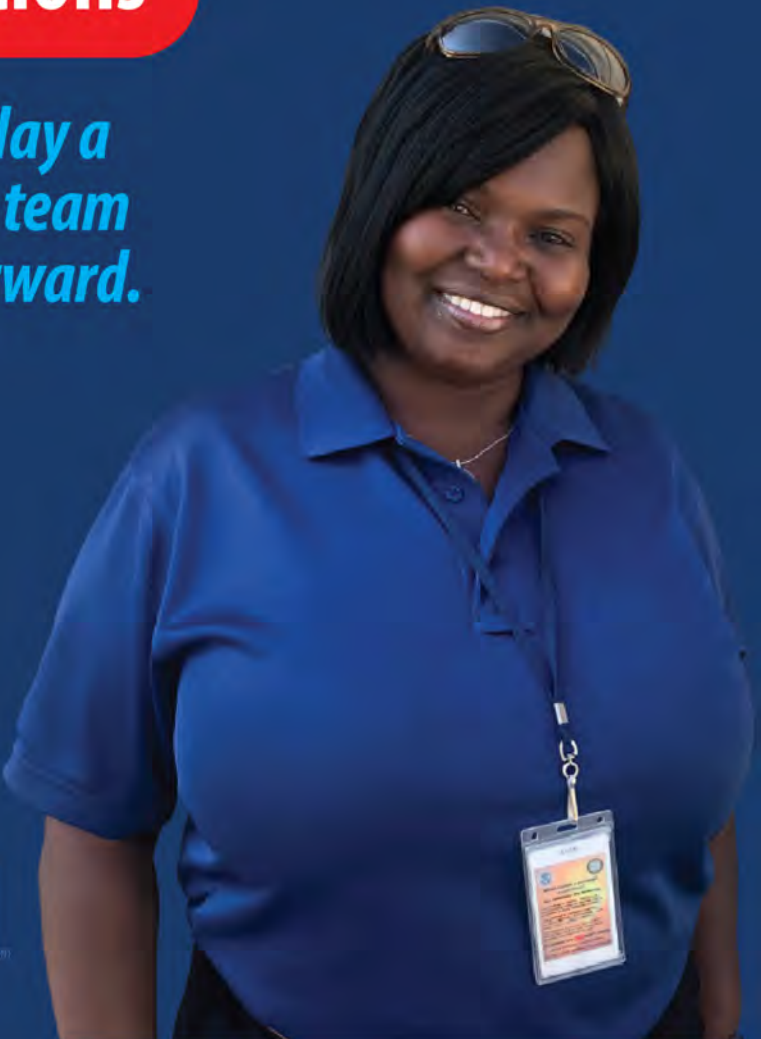
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