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Healthy Moms, Healthy Babies, Healthy Families Event Promotes Infant Vitality



Council Member Paula Prentice thanks panelists for their participation at the "Healthy Moms, Healthy Babies, Healthy Families" event. From left— Shaleeta Smith, Summit County Public Health; Dr. Tania Lodge, Minority Behavioral Health Group; Dr. Cheryl Johnson, Summa Health; Dr. Jennifer Savitski, Cleveland Clinic Akron General; Pastor Eugene Norris, Moderator; Dr. Jennifer Grow, Akron Children's Hospital; Tarik West, Fame Fathers; Brandee West, ASCA Hub Program and LaTisha Moore, AxxessPointe Community Health Centers.

The event drew 250 moms, kids and families.

On Mother's Day weekend, Saturday, May 12, Summit County Councilwoman Paula Prentice hosted the 5th Annual Let's Move Summit County Health Event, "Healthy Moms, Healthy Babies, Healthy Families," at Buchtel Community Learning Center in West Akron. The event focused on the issue of infant mortality and featured a panel with doctors, health professionals and community outreach specialists discussing information on home visitation, mental health, centering, the importance of prenatal care and living a healthy, low-stress life, care-coordination and the role fathers play in a healthy babies' life. A thoughtful poem and a testimonial from a mother who lost an infant and also delivered a healthy child were part of the program as well. **Story continued on Page 2...**

Dickinson Speaks at Tax Credit Award Announcement

Summit County Councilman Clair Dickinson (At-Large) was a guest speaker at the announcement of an Ohio Historic Preservation Tax Credit Award for Summit County on June 20, in Akron. The Ohio Development Services Agency awarded nearly \$2.5 million in tax credit for a \$24.5 million renovation project of the 11 story First-Second National Bank Building at 159 S. Main St. (currently named the Law Building). The funds will be used to convert floors 5-11 to market rate apartments and refreshed office space.



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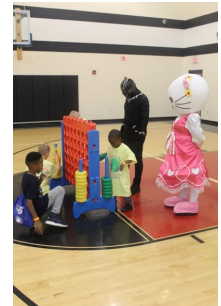
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The event began with an opening “movement activity” with a live DJ, Tai-Chi exercises and line-dancing, followed by a FREE healthy lunch and vendors filled the gymnasium with lots of information and samples. Each participant received a t-shirt and sport-pack bag and a prize drawing was held following the panel discussion. Kids were also entertained by games, sno-cones, popcorn and the Black Panther and Hello Kitty characters by Fun World, and had the opportunity to make Mother’s Day Gift Boxes. Moms were also able to schedule relaxing chair massages at the Pamper Station. “We’re looking to change the conversation from infant mortality to infant vitality here in Summit County. The more we know and understand about healthy outcomes for moms, babies and families, the better off we’ll be in our communities,” said Prentice.



Photos from left : Council Members Paula Prentice, Liz Walters and Gloria Rodgers with Clerk of Courts Sandra Kurt. **Center photo:** Akron City Council Members Russ Neal, Veronica Sims and Council President Margo Sommerville with County Council Members David Hamilton and Paula Prentice. **Right photo:** Participants enjoy line dancing in the gym.



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Photos from left:

Participants had FREE lunch in the cafeteria at the Let’s Move 5th Annual Health Event.

Kids enjoyed snow cones and popcorn; made Mother’s Day Gift Boxes and played games with “Hello Kitty” and “Black Panther” as part of the Kids Area during the Healthy Moms, Healthy Babies, Healthy Families event at Buchtel Community Learning Center.

To see more photos, go to www.co.summit.oh.us/council and click on the event logo at the bottom of the page.

Mark your Calendars!

2019 Healthy Moms, Health Babies, Healthy Families Event at Buchtel CLC,

Saturday May 11, 2019.

Commendations

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Photo left — Inspector Bill Holland of the Summit County Sheriff’s Office received a Commendation from Council Public Safety Chair, David Hamilton in recognition for his receiving the Outstanding Faculty Member Award at the University of Akron. Inspector Holland, has been an adjunct professor at the University for ten years in the jointly sponsored University of Akron/Summit County Sheriff’s Office Academy at the University of Akron through its College of Applied Science and Technology. Inspector Holland has taught officer candidates about defensive tactics, the use of firearms, driving, investigations, crime scenes, traffic stops and the Ohio Revised Code. **Center photo** — County Executive Ilene Shapiro and Councilman Clair Dickinson present a joint Commendation to Coventry High School honors student, Carter Derrig who initiated and raised more than \$1,800 in funds for 42 care packages to be delivered to U.S. troops serving around the globe in the countries of Germany, Jordan, Kuwait and Turkey. **Photo right** — Councilwoman Liz Walters presents a commendation to members of Moms Demand Action, in recognition of National Gun Violence Awareness Day, Friday, June 1, 2018. Each day, 96 Americans are killed by gun violence and on average there are nearly 13,000 gun homicides every year. Americans are 25 times more likely to be killed with guns than people in other developed countries. Summit County Council renewed its commitment to reduce gun violence, keep firearms out of the wrong hands and encourage responsible gun ownership.

Council Members Help Launch Summit County Police and Fire Community Engagement Fund



Summit County Council Members Jeff Wilhite (District 4) and Gloria Rodgers (District 3) were part of a committee that came together to launch the Summit County Police and Fire Community Engagement Fund. The Fund will provide resources to local Summit County Police Officers and Firefighters to engage in the communities and neighborhoods they protect and provide future positive and lasting relationships. The Summit County Police & Fire Community Engagement Fund is managed and invested by Akron Community Foundation. Income from the fund will be distributed to Furnace Street Mission, which will administer the outreach program through its Safety Forces Chaplaincy Center. The program would allow for the purchase of gift cards and certificates to purchase items needed. This initiative was launched at a press conference at Helen Arnold School in May.



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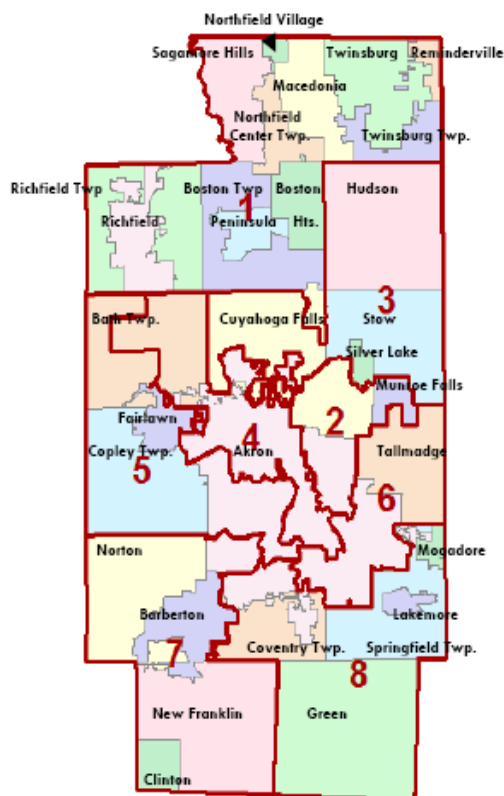
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2018 Council Meeting Calendar

| DATE | EVENT | LOCATION | TIME |
|-----------------------|--|------------------|-----------|
| September 3 | Council Offices Closed for Labor Day | | |
| September 10 | Council Meeting | Council Chambers | 4:30 p.m. |
| September 17 | Council Committee Mtg. | Council Chambers | 4:30 p.m. |
| September 24 | Council Meeting | Council Chambers | 4:30 p.m. |
| October 1 | Council Committee Mtg. | Council Chambers | 4:30 p.m. |
| October 8 | Council Offices Closed for Columbus Day | | |
| October 15 | Council Meeting | Council Chambers | 4:30 p.m. |
| October 22 | Council Committee Mtg. | Council Chambers | 4:30 p.m. |
| October 29 | Council Meeting | Council Chambers | 4:30 p.m. |
| November 5 | Council Committee Mtg. | Council Chambers | 4:30 p.m. |
| November 12 | Council Offices Closed for Veterans Day | | |
| November 19 | Council Meeting | Council Chambers | 4:30 p.m. |
| November 22-23 | Council Offices Closed for Thanksgiving Holiday | | |
| November 26 | Council Committee Mtg. | Council Chambers | 4:30 p.m. |

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