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UPCOMING EVENTS

Oba William King: Poetic Storyteller

Join nationally known storytelling and musician Oba William King for a celebration of African-American history & culture.

Saturday, June 2
3:00-4:00pm
Detroit Public Library
5201 Woodward Ave.
Detroit, MI 48202
FREE

STARTING A BUSINESS WORKSHOP

A workshop designed for individuals who are at the beginning stages of starting a business. It will help aspiring entrepreneurs assess their abilities to lead and manage a company, as well as evaluate market and sales potential for their products/services. Call (248) 858-0783 for more information

Tuesday, June 5
9:00-11:30am
Michigan Works! Southfield
21415 Civic Center Dr., Suite #116
Southfield, MI 48076
FREE

GREGORY PARDLO WITH SPECIAL GUEST **PEACE BELL**
Pulitzer Prize winning poet Gregory Pardlo will discuss his latest book, *Air Traffic: A Memoir of Ambition and Manhood in America*, featuring readings by special guest poet Peace Bell.

Saturday, June 9
2:00-4:00pm
Detroit Public Library
5201 Woodward Ave.
Detroit, MI 48202
FREE

YOUR BEST LIFE WORKSHOP SERIES: THE EASTERN MARKET

Sunday, June 24
2:00-4:00 PM
SADO Office
645 Griswold, Suite 3300
Detroit, MI 48226
FREE

GM RENCIEN ROOFTOP YOGA

Every Wednesday in June
5:00-6:00 pm
Beaubian Place Garage
521 Atwater St.
Detroit, MI 48226
FREE

ARE YOU EXERCISING YOUR RIGHT TO VOTE?

by Anitha Mohan

The ability to vote in local, state, and national elections is a basic right for a citizen of the United States. Voting allows us to declare where we stand on important issues and ensure the individuals we elect to represent us truly do just that. Michigan is one of 14 states where an individual who was incarcerated is eligible to vote immediately upon release. This means that even when you are on parole or probation, you are still able to cast a vote in any election.

Registering to vote in Michigan just takes a few quick steps.

You can register to vote:

- **In Person.** You can go to any Secretary of State branch office in Michigan OR go to your county, city, or township clerk's office. You can also register to vote when you are applying for services at any state agencies that provide public assistance, such as Medicaid, SNAP benefits, or disability services.
- **By Mail.** You can fill out a mail-in voter registration application and mail it to your local clerk office. You can get mail-in voter registration applications from any county, city, or township clerk's office, from most public libraries, or download the form online at <http://www.michigan.gov/vote>.

Once you are registered to vote, you can find the closest polling place to you by calling (888) 767-6424 or online at <https://webapps.sos.state.mi.us/MVIC/>.

It is crucial to register to vote 30 days before an election if you want to exercise this important right. This year, there are some very important statewide elections in Michigan. There is a state primary and a state general election. During the primary, which will be this August, voters from the Republican, Democrat, and Libertarian parties will choose their nominees. Then, in the general election, which will be this November, voters will elect a new Governor of Michigan, as well as other important roles, such as Secretary of State, Attorney General, state senators, state representatives, members of the Michigan Supreme Court and U.S. senators and representatives.

Source: ACLU of Michigan

IMPORTANT DATES FOR VOTING IN MICHIGAN

JULY 9, 2018
LAST DAY TO REGISTER FOR THE
AUGUST STATE PRIMARY

OCTOBER 9, 2018
LAST DAY TO REGISTER FOR THE
NOVEMBER STATE GENERAL
ELECTION

AUGUST 7, 2018
STATE PRIMARY ELECTION

NOVEMBER 6, 2018
STATE GENERAL ELECTION

THANK YOU!

Project Reentry would like to thank First United Methodist Church of Birmingham for donating clothes and toiletries to clients on the day of their release from prison!

IF YOU HAVE RECEIVED ONE OF THESE BACKPACKS AND WOULD LIKE TO SEND A PERSONALIZED
THANK YOU NOTE PLEASE CONTACT ELIZABETH

SUMMER IN THE D

CHECK OUT THESE FREE ACTIVITIES HAPPENING ALL SUMMER LONG IN DETROIT!

VISIT EASTERN MARKET

Address: 2934 Russel St., Detroit, MI 48207
Hours: Every Tuesday, June 5-September, 9:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m.
Every Thursday, June 21-September 20, 5:00 p.m.-10:00 p.m.
Every Sunday, June 3-September 30, 10:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m.
Admission: Free!
You can use your Bridge Card to shop at the Market.
Visit the Welcome Center (1445 Adelaide St., Detroit, MI 48207) Saturday 7:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m.
Tuesday 9:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m.
or Sunday 10:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m. to receive tokens.

VISIT DABL'S MBAD AFRICAN BEAD MUSEUM

Address: 6559 Grand River Ave., Detroit, MI 48208
Phone: (313) 898-3007
Hours: Monday-Saturday, 12:00 p.m.-7:00 p.m.
Admission: Free!

VISIT THE DETROIT INSTITUTE OF ARTS

Address: 5200 Woodward Ave., Detroit, MI 48202
Phone: (313) 833-7900
Hours: T, W, TH 9:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m.
Friday, 9:00 a.m.-10:00 p.m.
Sat. & Sun., 10:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m.
Admission: Free for residents of Wayne, Macomb, and Oakland Counties; bring a valid ID with your address!

MEET THE TEAM



CLAIRE NAGEL

HOMETOWN
LeClaire, IA

PROJECT REENTRY TEAM MEMBER SINCE
January 2018
MSW, Law Intern

HOBBIES & INTERESTS

Reading fiction, discovering new music, watching Hawkeye football and Cubs baseball, singing in my a cappella group, and spending time with my friends, family, and my cat, Melrose.

MESSAGE TO THE COMMUNITY

I am so grateful to be a part of the Project Reentry Team here at SADO because the clients we get to work with are so wonderful! I feel humbled each day by the stories our clients share with us, motivated to work hard to ensure successful transitions for clients, and inspired by our clients' successes.

WATCH A MOVIE OUTDOORS AT NEW CENTER PARK

Address: 2998 W. Grand Blvd., Detroit, MI 48202
Hours: Movie screenings Wednesday and Friday evenings, June 1-September 14
Doors open at 8:00 p.m. in June and July, at 7:30 in August, and at 7:00 in September. Movies start at sunset.
Go to www.newcenterpark.com for a schedule of which movies are showing.
Admission: Free!

DON'T LIVE IN DETROIT?

FUN EVENTS ARE HAPPENING ALL OVER. TO FIND FREE EVENTS IN YOUR AREA, WE SUGGEST SEARCHING "FREE EVENTS (YOUR CITY'S NAME HERE)" INTO GOOGLE. IF THAT DOESN'T WORK, FEEL FREE TO CONTACT US FOR ASSISTANCE!



RAMON EVANS
RELEASED JANUARY 2018

CITIZEN SPOTLIGHT

HOMETOWN
Detroit, MI

HOBBIES & INTERESTS

Bike riding and rollerskating around the neighborhood and spending time with family. Work and school are keeping him busy, but he plans to get back into playing the drums. His favorite genre to play is jazz, his favorite artists being Paul Brown, Norman Brown, and Gary Taylor. Traveling is also an interest, and he hopes to go as far as the Dominican Republic once he's off supervision.

SUCCESSES SINCE RELEASE

Learning how to weld, getting his driver's license, overcoming difficult family conversations and dynamics, and overall, being able to live up to the expectations he set for himself. Transitioning back to society has been an adjustment but he's happy to say that he's been able to do everything that he's wanted to do thus far.

STRUGGLES SINCE RELEASE

It's hard to get back with your family after being gone for so long. Navigating a relationship with his daughter and re-establishing trust has been a process. It's easy to make promises that you can't keep, so he's been committed to keeping his word to better his relationships.

MESSAGE FOR THE COMMUNITY

"Stay focused and don't let the temptations of society jeopardize your freedom. When you come up against something, think about all of the people that have supported you thus far. Even if I let myself down, I don't want to let my supporters down—that's what keeps me motivated to keep working. Prove to society that you are worthy of this second chance. My support system has been everything for me. We need that support—thank you to everyone that has supported me."



BEES IN THE D

DETROIT, MI

by Annetta Joyce

Detroit Hives works to transform vacant city lots into thriving bee farms to conserve honey bees, help spread bee awareness, and to educate our communities and local schools about bees and their contribution to our environment. The founders, Timothy Paule and Nicole Lindsey, are Detroit natives who hope to add as many as 200 hives in the city in the next decade through the organization. Their goal is to make deals with socially conscious companies to sponsor hives and teaching other people, including schoolchildren, about bees.

Whether all life would be wiped out if bees became extinct is debatable, but there is scientific agreement that bees, which have seen declines in their population all over the planet, are essential to sustaining a healthy ecosystem. Without bees, which transfer pollen and seeds from flower to flower, fruit quality suffers. Studies show that bees in more urban areas are exposed to fewer pesticides and herbicides, and they have a wider variety of plant life, wildflowers for instance, for pollination. This makes Detroit a great asset for bee farms across the city. Currently Detroit Hives have two farm locations on the East side of Detroit, where they operate under the fun slogan "Work Hard, Stay Bumble."

To look into volunteer opportunities or to tour the bee farms, contact Detroit Hives by email honey@detroithives.com or call (248) 808-8467

JOBS

PAID INTERVIEWS

Digital Skills of the University of Michigan is looking to interview returning citizens about how you search for jobs and how you use digital technology.

Interviews will be in person and will last 60-90 minutes.

Compensation: Participants will be compensated \$30 for their 60-90 minute interview.

Email digitalskills@umich.edu or call (989) 372-0835 for more information.

THERESOURCENETWORK COMMUNITY ORIENTED HIRING EVENT

Come dressed to impress/interview ready. Bring proper I.D., SS Card, and Resume.

Tuesday, June 19

10:00am-2:00pm

DABO's Sheffield Center
12048 Grand River Ave.
Detroit, MI 48204

RESOURCES

OUT4LIFE CLASSES

Out4Life is offering Life Skills and Employment Readiness classes every Tuesday (6:00-7:30pm) and Friday (11:00 am-12:00 pm).

Tuesday classes are held at:
Michigan Round Table
New Center One Bldg.
3011 W. Grand Blvd., Suite 525

Friday classes are held at:
Neighborhood Legal Services
7310 Woodward Ave., Suite 301
Detroit, MI 48202

CIAO LINE Facebook Group

Tri-County Job Resource
Search "Ciao Line" on Facebook or go to <https://www.facebook.com/groups/ciaoline/workforce-develop-programs>

DETROIT AT WORK Job Search Website

Job listings, trainings, and events for employment seekers in Detroit.
Note: Not all jobs listed on site are felony friendly.

Go to detroitatwork.com for a list of jobs and other resources in the Detroit area.

WATCH

"WE NEED TO TALK ABOUT AN INJUSTICE"

Bryan Stevenson's TED Talk
"In an engaging and personal talk—with cameo appearances from his grandmother and Rosa Parks—human rights lawyer Bryan Stevenson shares some hard truths about American's justice system."

Search "We need to talk about an injustice" on YouTube.com

READ

JUST MERCY

by Bryan Stevenson

"An unforgettable account of an idealistic, gifted young lawyer's coming of age, a moving window into the lives of those he has defended, and an inspiring argument for compassion in the pursuit of justice."
Available on Amazon.com or your local library.

RESTORED JUSTICE

Radio Show on Silver Line Radio
"Hello everybody! My name is Tyrone Kemp. The mission of my show is to restore individual's lives back to the justice that God gives. To help restore peoples integrity and to restore those who have been imprisoned with hope and encouragement. You can tune in and listen to my show every Wednesday at 10:00 pm on Silver Line Radio."

Go to www.silverlineradio.com to listen.

LISTEN

To see past versions of The Drum, visit www.sado.org/go/drum

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HAVE QUESTIONS OR SOMETHING TO CONTRIBUTE?

Send your letter to:

**PROJECT REENTRY
STATE APPELLATE DEFENDER OFFICE
645 GRISWOLD, SUITE 3300
DETROIT, MI 48226**

Call:

**THE STATE APPELLATE DEFENDER OFFICE
(313) 256-9833**

and ask for a Project Reentry Team Member

or e-mail:

REENTRY@SADO.ORG

THERAPY: WHAT IT IS, HOW IT CAN HELP, AND WHERE TO FIND IT

by Kate Yugo

INDIVIDUAL THERAPY

Individual counseling is recommended for people with a variety of mental health needs and concerns. It can be helpful when managing chronic issues like PTSD and depression, and can also be a support during times of heightened stress. Providers may be psychologists, social workers, counselors, or members of your religious community.

PROS

- You work one-on-one with a therapist to create an individualized treatment plan
- Scheduling is flexible
- Individual therapists can refer you to psychiatrists or other specialists, if needed.

CONS

- Can be more expensive than support groups and group therapy
- If you are uncomfortable with one-on-one interactions this may not be the best fit for you

GROUP THERAPY

Group therapy can be provided by the same types of providers as individual therapy, and is recommended for people who want to practice skills in a semi-controlled environment that they want to integrate into their personal life. There are multiple clients who meet weekly with one (or more) therapists, and work together to meet each person's goals. Often people in group therapy share a common diagnosis (ex: bipolar disorder, PTSD), or a recent life event (loss of a family member, recently returning citizen).

PROS

- Group therapy may be less expensive than individual therapy
- It is structured to meet each person's individual goals
- Allows natural practice of social and interpersonal skills

CONS

- Can be stressful if you are uncomfortable in group environments
- Requires trust between clients
- Services may not be covered by insurance
- Set schedule of sessions that may not fit your availability

HOW TO FIND IT

Psychology Today has a searchable database of therapists and counselors, which is helpful because you can filter results by the type of insurance they accept and where they are located. Other websites that can be helpful are 211.org, Google, and your insurance provider's website. Calling your county's Community Mental Health Agency (CMHA) can also direct you to low-cost providers in your county.

Your local church may host AA/NA meetings or have information where you can find the closest meeting. You can also look at www.aa.org to find local chapters of Alcoholics Anonymous.

In Detroit, the Detroit Mercy Counseling Clinic provides individual, group, and family counseling at no charge for members of the Detroit community. You can call (313) 993-1093 to make an appointment.

Don't be afraid to ask people you know for referrals. If you know a friend or family member in therapy, they may have recommendations for you. Your family doctor may also be able to refer you to a therapist, and if all else fails you can always call your insurance provider (if you have one) for a list of therapists and counselors whose services they cover near you.

COUPLES/FAMILY THERAPY

Couples and family therapy are similar to individual therapy, in that treatment goals are designed specifically for the people getting services, but will work with multiple members of a family or both members of a couple to reach their common goal. Some people will seek these services when they are going through a rough patch in their relationship, while other people may wish to see a therapist together on a long-term, regular basis.

PROS

- You can address difficult family issues with the help of professional guidance
- Therapists can model healthy communication skills and give helpful feedback

CONS

- Health insurance may not cover these services
- It can be difficult to coordinate schedules between multiple family members

AA/NA SUPPORT GROUPS

Support groups like Alcoholics Anonymous and Narcotics Anonymous can provide ongoing guidance and support, and are often free of charge. Meetings can be held at schools, churches, and other community venues in order to be most accessible to participants.

PROS

- Often low cost or free and regular attendance is not always required or expected
- Provides a sense of community
- Groups meet at a variety of days, times, and locations to best meet your schedule

CONS

- Groups are not always run by certified professionals
- Some support groups may embrace particular religious views that may not align with your own