

SANFORD PLACE BLOCK ASSOCIATION & FRIENDS, INC.

Monthly Newsletter- March 2021



HELLO, FAMILY!

March is here! That means daylight savings time (Sunday, March 14th), the first day of spring (Saturday, March 20th), and women's history month are here! In this issue, we will be sharing information regarding important March milestones, key events, and info you need to know. Email us at sanfordplaceblockassociation@gmail.com if you would like to contribute to future newsletters.

We'd love to hear from you!

Hi SPBA&F, Inc. neighbors.

March is shaping up to be a productive month for us, as we plan and anticipate the launch of new seasonal activities and activate some of our key initiatives for 2021.

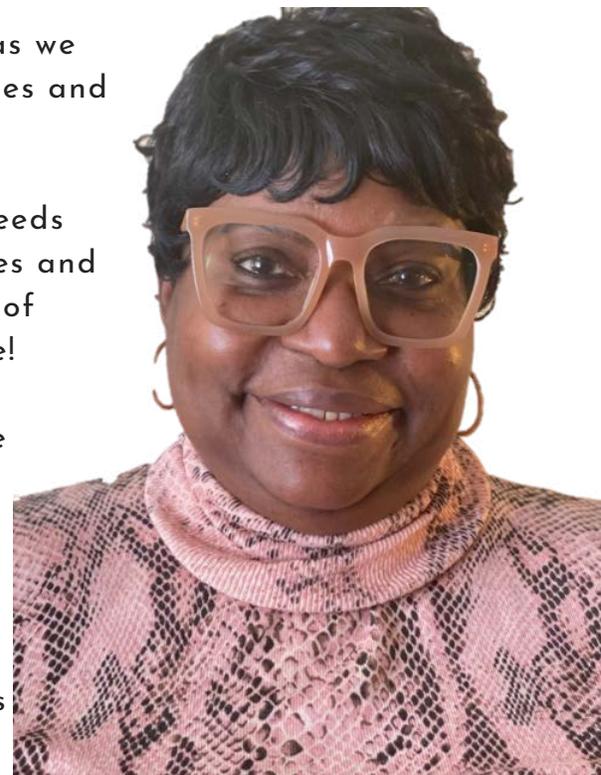
Many of you participated in our neighborhood home needs assessment...thank you! We had 35 participating families and with the information you shared, we are in the process of finalizing a home care grant application. More to come!

We are also looking forward to finishing the 2nd phase of our Love Your Block mini-grant in April with some much-needed landscaping, planting, and beautification projects.

And finally, our Whole Cities (Whole Foods) grant has been submitted. If approved, the funding will enable us to create a local community food system (community garden) and provide gardening, health and wellness, self care, and technology classes for our residents. We will learn if our proposal was approved in April.

In the meantime, we are also exploring ways to increase public safety, build cross-generational bridges within our community, and strengthen our infrastructure as a block association. It's an exciting time!

Be well,
- Valerie



A MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT
Valerie Crute

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info YOU NEED TO know

COMMUNITY OUTREACH

"The Coronavirus has forced an enormous amount of people out of work and created food insecurity among residents who now have limited income or no income at all. We are pleased to present this Emergency Food Distribution Event to help those through these uncertain times."
Joseph N. DiVincenzo, Jr.



**Joseph N. DiVincenzo, Jr.,
Essex County Executive**
The Board of County Commissioners
And The Life Christian Church

Will Present An

Emergency Food Distribution Event

Thursday, March 11, 2021
9 a.m.
The Life Christian Church
747 Northfield Avenue, West Orange, NJ
The church parking lot is accessible off of Vizcaya Blvd.

*It will be held **RAIN or SHINE.***

- Residents will receive one box of non-perishable food items.
- Turn right onto Vizcaya Boulevard to access the Church parking lot.
- Vehicles should line up on Northfield Avenue before turning right onto Vizcaya Blvd.
- Left turns onto Vizcaya Boulevard will not be permitted.
- No arrivals before 9 a.m.
- Drivers must keep their windows rolled up and open their trunk.
- 1,000 boxes to be distributed on a first-come, first-served basis.

More distribution events coming each week!

Joseph N. DiVincenzo, Jr., Essex County Executive
And The Board of County Commissioners
Wayne L. Richardson, President; Carlos M. Pomares, Vice President; Tyshammie L. Cooper,
Brendan W. Gill, Romaine Graham, Rufus I. Johnson, Len M. Luciano, Robert Mercado, Patricia Sebolt
Putting Essex County First

PUBLIC HEALTH

A waste treatment facility proposal is being considered, which would allow for the development of a plant to process biosolids, including human feces, in the Ironbound section Newark.

To participate in the "STOP THE SLUDGE" campaign, please access the following resource tool kit below to learn how you can voice your opposition to the facility:

[**STOP THE SLUDGE**](#)

FREE WATER TESTING KIT

Sign up to receive a free water testing kit as part of the City of Newark Lead Line Replacement Program at 800-674-7961 or email support@120water.com

PUBLIC SAFETY REMINDER

In recent weeks we have noticed robberies and carjackings in our neighborhood and adjacent blocks. Did you know that you can be alerted daily about these and other crimes in our area? Interested? Visit the Newark Police Department [6th Precinct webpage](#) and scroll to the bottom of the page to sign up.

WEEK ENDING: 03/07/2021

Crime	2021	2020
Murder	0	0
Rape	5	3
Robbery	3	6
Agg. Assault	22	19
Burglary	7	10
Theft F/A	10	13
Theft	12	14
Auto Theft	26	23
Totals	87	88

Sign up for alerts from the
City of Newark Police Division
& other public safety agencies in your area.

Mobile #

Email

Zip Code

I accept the [Terms & Conditions](#) and [Privacy Policy](#)

Sign Up!

For help, reply HELP to 868777. To cancel, reply STOP to 868777. No charge but Msg & Data rates may apply. Msg freq varies. Info: nitle.com. AT&T, T-Mobile®, Sprint, Verizon Wireless & most carriers supported. Support: support@nitle.com

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WHAT'S INSIDE THIS ISSUE:

ARTS & CULTURE

Celebrate Women's History Month

EVENTS AROUND NEWARK

11th Annual Women In Film Festival
March 25 - Thursday, April 16

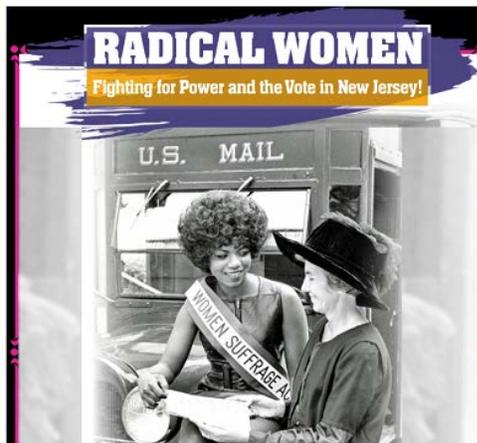
Rutgers University - Paul Robeson Student Center, Paul Robeson Gallery at Express Newark, Clement's Place and various off campus locations

For more info:



Newark Public Library Virtual Exhibit: Radical Women

NJPAC - She Did That; Black Women In the Workplace

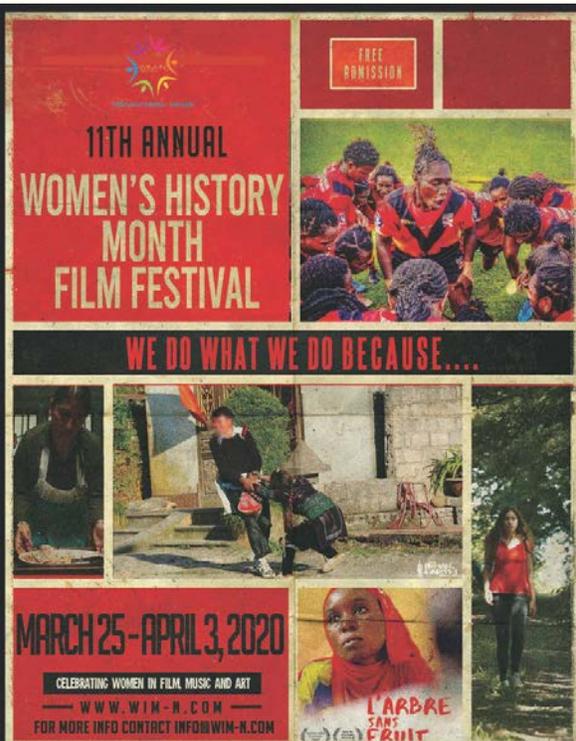


pseg true diversity film series presents: she did that black women in the workplace

Mar 15, 2021

[View Virtual Exhibit Here](#)

[For Info & To Register Click Here](#)



VACCINATION INFORMATION

Sanford Place Block Association & Friends, Inc.



WHAT'S INSIDE THIS ISSUE:

Health & Wellness

J&J Vaccine Is Now Available

PLEASE CALL
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PARTNERSHIP
WEST, INC.
Business Improvement District

Did you know?

- Residents can request a vaccination appointment by visiting ww.EssexCOVID.org or calling 973-877-8456
- Residents will be asked to provide their medical insurance information and their insurance provider will be billed. If you do not have insurance, the cost of the vaccine will be covered, with no out of pocket cost to you

- Newarkers are eligible to be vaccinated at any of the following locations:
 - KMART West Orange, 235 Prospect Ave, West Orange
 - Essex County College, 303 University Ave., Newark (Gym entrance on West Market St.) and Essex County Donald M. Payne, Sr. School of Technology, 498-544 West Market St., Newark
 - West Caldwell Tech, 620 Passaic Ave., West Caldwell
 - Livingston Mall/Sears, 112 Eisenhower Parkway, Livingston

A Friendly Reminder



GIVING *back.*

MEMBERSHIP
RENEWAL



MONTHLY MEETING

\$0 COST DONATIONS

2021 DUES

MASKS AVAILABLE

When: Thurs, March. 11th, 7pm
Call: 646 558 8656, ID: 841 9171
2810, Passcode: 841 9171 2810
OR
[Click Zoom link here](#)
ID: 841 9171 2810, Passcode:
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You can donate to Sanford Place Block Association & Friends, Inc. at no cost to you. Enroll your Investor's Bank account in Care2Share and Investor's will give a quarterly donation on your behalf at no cost to you. [Click here](#) for more info and to sign up.

2021 DUES are \$40 per family for 2021. \$40 per family via Cashapp and Paypal: \$sanfordplaceblock (+\$3 convenience fee), or via cash, credit card, money order or direct transfer to our bank account. Please contact an officer if you have questions.

Representing our neighborhood could not be easier or more functional. Masks are now available for \$7. To order, email sanfordplaceblockassociation@gmail.com, Subject: SPBA&F, Inc. Mask



Rep our block and show some love!
Place your orders today for Sanford Place Block Association & Friends, Inc. apparel and accessories. They make a great gift for yourself or the ones you love! Valentine's Day is right around the corner...
[Click here to order today!](#)



Did you know that you can generate donations while shopping for your valentine, at no extra cost? Simply start your shopping at smile.amazon.com/ch/82-1645947 to confirm "Sanford Place Block Association & Friends" as your charity of choice, and AmazonSmile will donate a portion of your eligible purchase price to our organization.



Sanford Place Block Association & Friends, Inc. is a registered 501C3 non-profit organization.

All dues, donations & fundraiser proceeds are invested into the block association operational expenses and to fund community outreach projects. Donations are tax-deductible and directly benefit members of our community, as well as support the monthly maintenance fees associated with our non-profit.