

The Newsletter of the City Center Residents Association Issue 2. Fall 2017

Mission: The City Center Residents Association (CCRA) serves and supports our neighborhood by building community among residents, engaging all stakeholders, advocating for residents, and promoting Baltimore's City Center as a great place to live and locate businesses that meet our residents' needs.



City Center Residents & Friends,

Last month, several members of the CCRA Board of Directors were invited to attend the Annual Meeting of the Downtown Partnership of Baltimore in City Center's own Center Plaza. The event highlighted some of the amazing redevelopment projects currently underway in our community. Of particular note:

- 2Hopkins Apartments at Baltimore Street and Hopkins Plaza is now open and leasing.
- The One Light Street construction site (soon to be offices and apartments) now towers ten floors above Light and Baltimore Streets.
- The historic Alex Brown building at Baltimore and Calvert Streets is slated to re-open next year as a restaurant.

What do these projects have in common? They are all betting on the continued growth of City Center's thriving residential community! In fact, during a welcome address at the DPOB's Annual Meeting, Mayor Catherine Pugh specifically referenced the CCRA and re-affirmed her commitment to growing downtown's population in the coming years!

I hope you'll enjoy this issue of Bmore City Center, the quarterly newsletter of the CCRA. It's been a busy year, and we have plenty more in store for this fall and winter, including the launch of our community website! Stay tuned for details!



-Bill King, CCRA President CityCenterResidents@gmail.com

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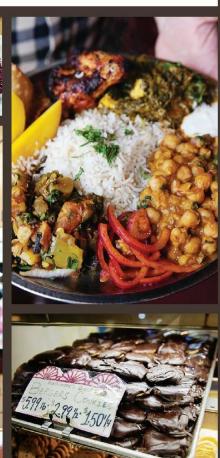
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Bmore in the Know.



Federal Judge Approves \$1.6B Sewer Repair Plan

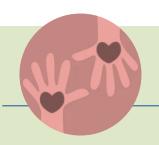
Years of negotiations between the EPA and City officials concluded in October after a federal judge signed a court order which approved a plan to fix Baltimore's one-hundred-year-old sewer system that currently leaks millions of gallons of sewage-contaminated wastewater into the Inner Harbor and routinely spills out into the basements of Northwest Baltimore homes and businesses, even in dry weather conditions.

The plan sets a 2030 deadline to inspect and replace sewage mains and complete other related projects. The project's 2030 finish date is 15 years later than was intended in an original agreement between the parties back in 2002.

The City has already spent approximately \$1 billion on repairs tied to the 2002 agreement - the new \$1.6 billion amount would be in addition to that sum.

City Center residents can find more information about the new plan at:

https://publicworks.baltimorecity.gov/pw-bureaus/water-wastewater/consent



Bmore Giving.



Support the local businesses #friendsofchuck



Did you know that Baltimore was the first city to implement the 311 service as a **non-emergency** hotline?

Have you noticed a pothole, or need tree trimming?

Use the 311 request system to submit a service request to the City of Baltimore.

Remember: ***Call 9-1-1 for emergencies**



Baltimore/Washington
International Thurgood
Marshall Airport is the first and
only United States airport to
have which of the following?

- a. Jungle gym for kids and fitness gym for adults
- b. Dedicated trail for hiking and biking
- c. Wahlburgers
- d. Mini golf course

Find the answer on page 6.



Bmore Yearbook.

July: City Center Residents Association organized "Christmas in July" in order to donate to our neighbors in need who receive emergency assistance services and supportive outreach at the Franciscan Center.

BIG THANKS to the residents who contributed 150 lbs of nonperishable food and 20 bags of toiletries and school supplies. We're equally as grateful to the property

managers and business owners who welcomed drop-off boxes inside of their locations:

- 10 Light
- 39 West Lexington
- 222 Saratoga
- The Atrium
- Breco Condominiums
- Camden Court
- · Charles St. Barre
- Charles Towers
- The Equitable
- UMMC Cardiac Surgery, Pediatric Cardiology and Cardiovascular Medicine
- The Munsey
- Park Charles





Because of you, "Christmas in July" was a success and, more importantly, it made a difference for neighbors in need.

September 19: Meeting our neighbors is something that makes our communities stronger. CCRA hosted a resident bonding "Night at the Yard" on a Tuesday evening at Camden Yards.

Before heading to the stadium to watch the Baltimore Orioles play against the Boston Red Sox, attendees met beforehand at the Hilton Diamond Tavern to socialize while enjoying

food and beverages.

Forty tickets were purchased and 25 residents came out to enjoy the game and get a free Oriole's knit hat. A percentage of every ticket sold went directly



to support the CCRA's community programs and events.





Bmore Social.



Reginald F. Lewis Museum

- Third Thursdays. Take an exclusive late night tour, listen to live jazz, have a culinary treat and match it up with one of our signature drinks.
 - O Doors open at 5pm. Show starts at 6pm



- At the Door Members \$8/ Non-Members - \$10
- Cash bar and food are available for purchase

Baltimore Blast. Come out for a night of soccer and affordable family entertainment.

Friday, November 18 vs. Florida Tropics 7:35pm

Whip out your flannel, overalls and slap bracelets and get ready to party at the **90s Bar Crawl**, dudes!

November 18, 2:00 pm - 10:00 pm

Registration and Cup Pickup: 2:00 - 5:00 pm



PANDORA Ice Rink at the Inner Harbor

- Enjoy the quintessential winter activity in the heart of Baltimore!
- November 10 January 15
- 1:00 pm 11:00 pm



5th Annual Christmas Village,

West Shore Park/Inner Harbor

- Open Thanksgiving Day (November 23th, 2017) through Christmas Eve (December 24th, 2017).
- 11am 7pm
- Closed first three Tuesdays: November 28th, December 5th and 12th.

Coming soon!

City Center Residents Night at the Theatre!

Bmore Amazing.



Shout out to **District Court Judge Nicole Pastore Klein** and her work with DCREP, a city program established in September 2016 that helps offenders reenter the workforce.

DCREP, **District Court ReEntry Program**, offers willing criminal case defendants a chance to participate in job training as a condition of probation.

"By providing ex-offenders with job training and placement, the DCREP reduces recidivism and helps individuals become productive members of society," said Judge Pastore-Klein.

There have been 36 graduates of the program within the first 11 months and currently 50 men and women in the program.



and people like Judge
Klein and her like-minded colleagues
deserve to be called out and recognized
for helping to change Baltimore one life
at a time.

City Center Residents Association



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Thank you for supporting *Bmore City Center*, the quarterly e-newsletter of the City Center Residents Association ("CCRA")!

Bmore City Center is written by and for residents of Baltimore's vibrant, and increasingly residential, Downtown core.

Each issue includes:

- Neighborhood updates from the CCRA
- Community service opportunities
- Fun facts and trivia about our City Center
- Upcoming events presented by the CCRA and our partners
- Advertisements for local businesses and non-profit organizations

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Our newsletter reaches nearly 500 City Center residents, business owners, and community supporters via our email distribution list & social media platforms.

Newsletter ad sales is the CCRA's primary source of revenue. We depend on your support to fund our programs and events throughout the year. Our advertising rates are as follows:

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