



June 27, 2022

What is Juneteenth?



June 20, 2022 was the first time in American history that Juneteenth was observed as a federal holiday! But there is still a lot of confusion as to what Juneteenth is, and why it should be celebrated. Juneteenth is the holiday that celebrates the commemoration of emancipation for enslaved persons in America. Although the Emancipation Proclamation was signed by President Abraham Lincoln on January 1, 1863, news didn't reach Galveston, Texas until June 19th, 1865 when Major

General George Granger and the Union troops he led landed there. One of General Granger's first acts was to read General Order #3 which begins, "The people of Texas are informed that in accordance with a Proclamation from the Executive of the United States, all slaves are free." This brought about widespread celebration and people seeking new lives in surrounding states.

Newly freed people began to coin the term Juneteenth to commemorate the momentous June day! The celebrations have been taking place in states such as Texas, Arkansas, Oklahoma, and Louisiana since that day. Celebrations typically include education and communal entertainment. Juneteenth is the oldest commemoration of the ending of slavery in the United States. It becoming a federal holiday is an important step forward in acknowledging the dark and ugly history of America. Black history is America's history and should be celebrated as such!

Let's Answer the Question For Mr. Hicks!

This weekend Brian Hicks wrote an article titled "Was the County's \$20 million really a Win for

Affordable Housing? You can read that article [here](#).

CAJM's answer to that question is "NOT YET but IT WILL BE".

If you were at the County Council meeting or if you watched it online (It is available for anyone to watch. We especially encourage those paid to write articles for newspapers to watch it in its entirety) and you **LISTENED** to the stated proposal, **you would have heard that the \$20 million dollars was earmarked for affordable housing WHILE county staff came up with a PLAN on how to use that funding.**

County Council still has every opportunity to support or not support that forthcoming plan. The community still has every opportunity to support or not support that forthcoming plan. And no one needs to educate CAJM members on celebrating victories too soon. We've celebrated and grieved and celebrated again many times over the past 10 years. What makes CAJM great is that **WE'RE IN IT FOR THE LONG HAUL**. While Mr. Hicks moves on to some other topic for his next article, CAJM will still be showing up at every county council meeting, working to ensure that the county's plan uses **OUR** tax dollars in the right way...to provide homes that are affordable for our community's most vulnerable families.

It's summertime and that means that CAJM's corporate investment drive is underway! We need leaders and network members like **YOU** to come and tell local businesses about our work. It's good for us to

take a small group of people into our corporate visits so business owners can see CAJM's diversity. If you are able to attend any of these visits coming up, please let us know.

Help out with CAJM's corporate drive!

Peak Performance Consulting

WHEN: Monday, June 27 / 2:00pm pre-meeting / 3:00pm meeting

WHERE: Zoom

RSVP: lydia@thedartcenter.org

Young, Clement, Rivers

WHEN: Thursday, June 30 / 2:00pm pre-meeting / 3:00pm meeting

WHERE: Zoom

RSVP: Anna@thedartcenter.org

We're also always looking for referrals! Know any business owners who share CAJM values? Let us know so that we can share our work with them!

Upcoming Committee Events

Check here for opportunities to be involved in CAJM's active campaigns!



Healthcare Full Committee Meeting

Join us for an update and to talk about accountability measures for Fetter, Roper, and MUSC!

WHEN: Thursday, July 7 / 6:30pm-8:00pm

WHERE: Zoom - [Click here to get a link!](#)



Charleston County Council Meeting (Housing) - Large turnout needed!

Come out to support the referendum for an Affordable Housing Trust Fund! At this meeting, Charleston County Staff will be presenting their ballot language to council so we need strong turnout!

WHEN: Tuesday, July 12 / 5:45pm

WHERE: Lonnie Hamilton Building (4045 Bridge View Drive)

RSVP: amber@thedartcenter.org



Charleston City Council Meeting (Environmental Justice) - Large turnout needed!

Come out to stand against the filling of Gadsden Creek!

WHEN: Tuesday, July 19 / 4:30pm pre-meeting / 5:00 City Council begins

WHERE: Charleston City Hall (80 Broad Street) / pre-meeting right next to City Hall in Washington Park

RSVP: lydia@thedartcenter.org



Fetter & Roper (Healthcare)

Join us for a check-in with officials from Fetter and Roper where we'll hear an update on their partnership and the status of funding for the mobile health unit.

WHEN: Thursday, July 28 / 12:00pm pre-meeting / 1:00pm meeting

WHERE: Location TBD



RSVP: anna@thedartcenter.org

Community Events & Happenings

Check here to see how you can be involved in the community between

DON'T FORGET TO VOTE!!

SC Primary Runoff: your vote is your voice.

<p>SC Supt. of Education</p>  <p>Kathy Maness Ellen Weaver</p>	<p>US Senate</p>  <p>Catherine Fleming Bruce Krystle Matthews</p>
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June 22-24 **Early voting, 8:30 am - 5 pm**
June 28 **Election Day, 7 am-7 pm**

Compare candidates:
VOTE 411

Your choices for SC Superintendent of Education and US Senator will be decided in the June 28 Primary Runoff, 7am – 7pm, at your neighborhood location. Weigh in! All SC voters can participate. If you voted Republican on June 14, you must vote Republican again. The same applies if you voted Democratic. If you did not vote in the June 14 primary, you can choose either runoff ballot. No-excuse early voting will be held at the same county early voting locations, June 22-24, 8:30 am- 5 pm. Find yours at <https://www.scvotes.gov/early-voting>. Compare the candidates at www.VOTE411.org. Your vote matters!

KNOW YOUR RIGHTS!!

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WHEN INTERACTING WITH POLICE

POLICING AND SURVEILLANCE WORKSHOP

TUESDAY,

JUNE 28

6PM -7PM EST

60 AMERICA ST, CHARLESTON, SC

Facilitated by Meredith McPhail,
Staff Attorney at ACLU of South Carolina



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SC

Know a kid who needs school clothes or supplies?

Presbyterian churches across the Lowcountry—including CAJM congregations Edisto Presbyterian, Hebron Zion Presbyterian, and St. James Presbyterian—are giving out free back-to-school clothing and supplies. See the flier below for dates and locations.



Back-To-School Program

FREE
For All Students
4K Through 8th

One Set
School Clothes
And Grade Related
School Supplies

Children must be accompanied by an adult. Applicable COVID protocols will be practiced. As such we will limit each family to a maximum of five children. We serve grades K-4 through 8th grade. Each child will receive one set of clothing plus a bag of grade-specific school supplies. The child must be present to be served. A child will only be served once per year in order that we might help as many children as possible.

2022 Schedule				
Date	Church	Address	Location	Time
Sat 23 Jul	Aimwell Presbyterian Church (DT)	8925 Charleston Highway	Colleton County	10:00 AM
Wed 27 Jul	Edisto Presbyterian Church (DT)	1890 Cypress Bottom Road	Edisto Island	4:00 PM
Fri 29 Jul	Charleston Atlantic Presbytery*	4701 Park Place West	North Charleston	4:00 PM
Sat 30 Jul	Charleston Atlantic Presbytery*	4701 Park Place West	North Charleston	10:00 AM
Wed 3 Aug	Hebron Zion Presbyterian Church (DT)	2915 Bohicket Road	Johns Island	4:00 PM
Wed 3 Aug	First Presbyterian Church	419 West Main Street	Moncks Corner	4:00 PM
Thur 4 Aug	First Presbyterian Church	419 West Main Street	Moncks Corner	4:00 PM
Fri 5 Aug	Second Presbyterian Church	342 Meeting Street	Downtown Charleston	4:00 PM
Sat 6 Aug	Second Presbyterian Church	342 Meeting Street	Downtown Charleston	10:00 AM
Mon 8 Aug	Yeamans Park Presbyterian Church (DT)	5931 North Murray Drive	Hanahan	4:00 PM
Mon 8 Aug	Summerville Presbyterian Church	407 S Laurel Street	Summerville	TBD
Thur 11 Aug	Westminster Presbyterian Church	1157 Sam Rittenberg Blvd.	West Ashley	4:00 PM
Fri 12 Aug	Westminster Presbyterian Church	1157 Sam Rittenberg Blvd.	West Ashley	4:00 PM
Sat 13 Aug	Westminster Presbyterian Church	1157 Sam Rittenberg Blvd.	West Ashley	10:00 AM
Sat 20 Aug	St. James Presbyterian Church (DT)	1314 Sessionville Road	James Island	10:00 AM

The times above are when doors open to the public to be served. Doors will remain open for two hours or until we reach capacity for the day, whichever comes first.

(DT) Indicates Drive Through Distribution *Former Park Circle Presbyterian Church



Charleston County is asking for your input!

Please complete the Riley Center's survey for Charleston County to help them determine how funding should be spent—especially around housing.



[Click here to fill out the survey!](#)

Can we do a paper swap?

CAJM was gifted paper but it's in sizes we don't use. If you use these sizes, we'd love to swap for some regular old 8 1/2 x 11 paper with you. Or if you'd like to purchase it from us, we'll give you a really good deal!

Here's what we have to swap:

Legal (8.5 x 14 inches)

6.5 cases

32,500 sheets

Tabloid (11 x 17 inches)

1 full case (2,500 sheets) + 1 partial (2,000 sheets)

4,500 sheets total

If you're interested in swapping or purchasing, please contact Amy at charlestonareajusticeministry@gmail.com.

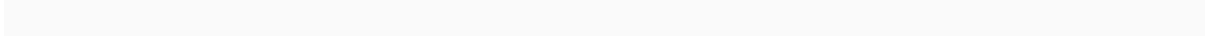
Have you made your 2022 investment in CAJM?

CAJM's 2022 investment drive goal is **\$215,000!** In honor of our tenth year, we are striving for 100% participation for investments! In other words, we're going ALL IN for year ten!

It's not too early to make a payment towards your 2022 CAJM investment! You can do so by clicking the link below. Reach out to your team leader or organizer with any questions about investing.

[Click here to invest!](#)

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