



Join us for our annual Rally at Mt. Moriah on Monday, March 18 at 7 p.m., as we gear up for the Nehemiah Action!

WE NEED VOLUNTEERS FOR THE RALLY!

Please sign up by

[clicking the link here.](#)

CAJM Presents The

Rally

**March 18 | 7 p.m. | Mt.
Moriah (7396 Rivers
Ave.)**



Ramadan Reflection



Ramadan, the holiest month of the year for the Islamic faith, began March 11. It's a sacred time of spiritual devotion, reflection, and self-discipline through the practice of fasting - a tradition shared by many faith traditions as a way to increase consciousness of the Divine and find inner peace and solace. During the first Ramadan about 1,445 years ago, the first words of the Quran were revealed to the Prophet Muhammad (PBUH). It's a blessed devotional month integrated in the daily work schedule.

For this week's Manna reflection, CAJM Board Member Dr. Ghazala Javed with the Central Mosque of Charleston speaks about the importance of Ramadan and the power of fasting.



Investing in CAJM

**Support CAJM with your
2024 investment!**

[Click here to invest!](#)

Total Congregational Investments



In 2024, we have \$25,211 in Congregational Investments. Thank you for your contributions.

Upcoming CAJM Events & Research Meetings



**CAJM NEHEMIAH
RALLY**

Monday, March 18 | 7:00pm

Mt. Moriah Missionary Baptist
7396 Rivers Ave, N. Charleston

Name: _____

Congregation
or organization: _____

Who
invited
you? _____

**Save The Date
CAJM Presents The**

**Nehemiah
Action**

**April 15 | 7 p.m. | Mt. Moriah
(7396 Rivers Ave.)**



CALLS TO ACTION

ATTEND **FOUR** ORGANIZATION-WIDE EVENTS

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Community Problems Assembly | October 30 @ 7pm

Rally | March 18 @ 7 p.m.

Nehemiah Action | April 15 @ 7pm

Celebration | May 20 @ 6:30pm

**Your congregation will also have a congregational Network Meeting in January or February before the Rally, date TBD*

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bRING **THREE** PEOPLE TO THE NEHEMIAH ACTION

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INVEST **\$200** IN THE WORK (OR AN AMOUNT THAT IS MEANINGFUL TO YOU)

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SO WE CAN COME TOGETHER AS **ONE** UNIFIED VOICE FOR JUSTICE IN THE LOWCOUNTRY



CAJM Wins

Education

Nearly 1,700 CAJM representatives in 2014 pushed the Charleston County School Board to implement positive behavioral interventions and supports and restorative practices. These policies sought to reduce suspension rates and improve the overall school climate. Since then, more than 1,000 school district staff have been trained in restorative practices and regular trainings are ongoing. Also, \$250,000 in federal funding has been allocated towards a district-wide implementation plan.

Policing

In 2016, CAJM became the first organization to push the cities of Charleston and North Charleston to hire external, independent auditors to conduct racial bias audits of their police forces. The audits uncovered racial disparities in policing practices in both departments, and suggested implementations..

Housing

In 2018, over 1,600 people at CAJM's annual Nehemiah Action demanded Charleston County officials adopt a housing trust with an annual dedicated source of funding. In 2024, Charleston County agreed to set aside just over \$4 million for a housing trust fund.

Transportation

The CARTA Board passed all three of CAJM's fare policy recommendations that included releasing limits on senior discount passes, eliminating transfer fees and creating a weekly low income pass for local riders.

CAJM Wins

Healthcare

In 2023, CAJM pressed MUSC to fund two mobile health clinics that would increase access to healthcare. Roper St. Francis and MUSC are funding the units, which will be operated by Fetter Healthcare Network.

Flooding

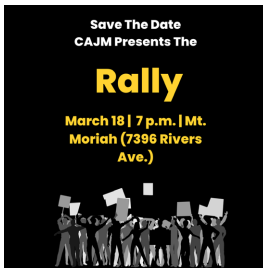
In 2022, CAJM won commitments from three Charleston City Council members to protect and revitalize Gadsden Creek. A study has since been done to highlight healthy alternatives to developing the creek. In February 2024, CAJM hosted a community event where 150 people attended.

Upcoming dates

- March 18: Rally @ 7 p.m. at Mount Moriah Missionary Baptist Church, 7396 Rivers Ave, North Charleston.
- April 15: Nehemiah Action @ 7 p.m. at Mount Moriah Missionary Baptist Church

Rally!!

What: CAJM Rally



When: March 18, 7 p.m.

Where: Mt. Moriah
Missionary Baptist Church



Joint Full Committee Meeting: Environmental Justice & Policing

What: This meeting will bring together members from both the Environmental Justice and Policing committees, offering a valuable opportunity for collaboration and organization.

When: March 21, 6-7:30 p.m.

Where: St. Patrick Catholic Church, 127 St. Philip St., Charleston

RSVP: Register [here](#)



Environmental Justice Steering Committee Meeting & Negotiation Practice

What: CAJM's EJ Steering Committee meeting

When: March 21, 5 p.m.



Education Steering Committee Meeting

What: CAJM's Education Steering Committee will meet

When: March 21, 6 p.m.

Where: Zoom

We encourage all CAJM members to join us for research visits and full committee meetings! Email dorightcajm@gmail.com to be connected with our research committees, and/or use the links below to sign up to attend.

Community Events

[change.org](#)



[Petition details](#)

[Comments](#)



Preserve the Former Baker Hospital Site as a Park

The Former Baker Hospital Site had plans to become a community park. Now Charleston County Parks and SeaFox Boats are proposing the green space along the Ashley River in N. Charleston be zoned for HEAVY INDUSTRIAL and a boat manufacturing plant. Sign and share the petition to support the plans for parks & green space. Stop the zoning change for industrial use on this vital park property in N. Charleston. [Sign the petition](#) to preserve green space for all!



CARTA OnDemand is a partnership with Uber and Lyft that serves seniors and Tel-A-Ride paratransit customers throughout the designated CARTA fixed-route service area. Trips can cost as little as \$4 each way and rides can be scheduled with as little as one-hour notice.

Use OnDemand service for as little as \$4 Each Way!

CARTA OnDemand will connect riders going to or from destinations within the fixed-route area, **Monday through Friday from 7 a.m.- 5 p.m.** Trips with **Uber and Lyft** cost can cost as little as \$4 each way.

Who Can Ride?

CARTA OnDemand is open to all seniors 55+ as well as Tel-A-Ride customers. Seniors 55+ can register for CARTA OnDemand by completing the application. Tel-A-Ride customers are automatically

registered but will need to contact CARTA and obtain a voucher to start riding with Uber or Lyft. To request your voucher, email us at publiccomment@bcdco.com or call us at 843-529-6284. Those who wish to apply for Tel-A-Ride can do so by completing the Tel-A-Ride Application.

<https://www.ridecarta.com/services/ondemand/apply/>
Copy and paste the link above to apply

Grocery Classes

What: GroceryRx is a free community-based produce prescription program including nutrition & cooking classes, fresh & local fruits, vegetables, and local eggs for 6 months.

When: Jan 9 - April 2, Tuesdays, 12 - 1 p.m.

Where: Virtual

RSVP: Call 843.609.8188 to register or scan the QR Code below

REGAIN CONTROL OF YOUR HEALTH!



**Let
food**



**be yer
medicine.**

GroceryRx is a **FREE** community-based produce prescription program including nutrition & cooking classes, fresh & local fruits, vegetables, and local eggs for 6 months. There are virtual and in-person class options to make it work for you and yours!

GRx gives you the tools & confidence to regain control of your health. Participants also get 1-on-1 sessions with a registered dietitian to focus on **you!**



**LOSE WEIGHT!
LOWER BLOOD SUGAR!
LOWER BLOOD PRESSURE!
LOWER BAD CHOLESTEROL!
REDUCE OR ELIMINATE MEDS!
AND GET FRESH VEGETABLES,
FRUITS & LOCAL EGGS FOR FREE!**

CLASSES WEEKLY
TUESDAYS 12-1 PM
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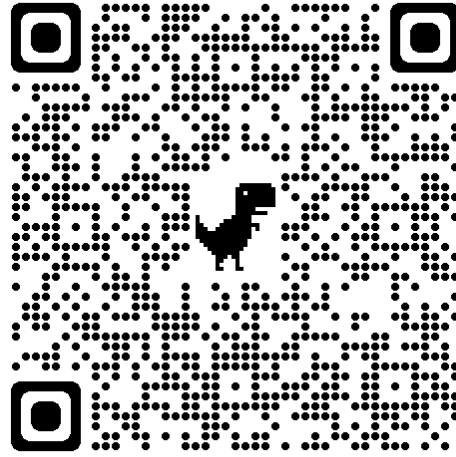
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THRU CODE
OR CALL
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*ASK FOR GRX TEAM!

**LOWCOUNTRY
STREET GROCERY**

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and we'd love to connect you
with a CAJM Team Leader!

Use the QR code to the right, or
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with the Team Leader who best
fits your needs.



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