

Building a Charleston where justice and equity prevail

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### The fight for affordable housing wages on

Last week, the Post & Courier released an article about the resignation of Darrell Davis, Charleston County's affordable housing expert.

"Davis said a key problem is that the county doesn't seem to know what its role should be in addressing affordable housing, and **the administration prevented him from working directly with the County Council** to figure that out."

"Davis also said '**Charleston County was a pretty oppressive work environment'** with a 'culture of implicit bias.'"

Read the full article here!

CAJM, it's completely unacceptable that Charleston County continues to delay progress towards addressing the affordable housing crisis with real, proven solutions. **We need to capitalize on this moment.** 

TOMORROW, come on out to the Lonnie Hamilton Building (4045 Bridgeview Dr.) at 5:00pm for our housing press conference before the County Council meeting!

Click here to RSVP!

#### Have any leftover Gadsden Creek Postcards? Please get them back to CAJM staff!

The Flooding Committee is working hard to collect SAVE GADSDEN CREEK postcards to deliver to Charleston City Council. If you have blank postcards that you won't use, **we need them back** so that we can get them in the hands of more people who live, work, or worship in the City of Charleston.

Network Members, you can give your extra postcards to your Team Leader. Team Leaders, please reach out to your organizer to coordinate a postcard drop-off.

Still haven't filled out your postcard? Click here for instructions on how to fill out a postcard, including a link to identify your City Councilperson.

### This is the LAST WEEK that we will be collecting postcards, so get them in ASAP!

Questions? Reach out to lydia@thedartcenter.org.

### Upcoming CAJM Events



#### **Housing Press Conference**

Date: Tuesday, December 6 START TIME: 5:00pm Location: Lonnie Hamilton Public Service Building (4045 Bridgeview Dr.) Why: County Council is once again pushing aside the severity of the housing crisis. The Housing Our Futures Plan has been put on hold for an undetermined time period. This is UNACCEPTABLE!! We will then stay for the County Council meeting and make public comments.

Who's invited?: All CAJM clergy, team leaders, network members, and their guests RSVP: Click here!

We are also looking for folks who are willing to give a testimony at the County Council meeting which will directly follow the press conference. Reach out to amber@thedartcenter.org if you're interested.

#### Friends of Gadsden Creek is hiring parttime organizers!

Friends of Gadsden Creek is the grassroots organization leading the Save Gadsden Creek campaign. The organizer position is for approximately 10 hours/week. Compensation is \$35/hour. Applications are open until December 15, 2022.



Here's the job description.

#### CAJM member Circular Congregational Church is hiring a part-time Director of Youth Ministries

The Director of Youth Ministries is responsible for Christian Education and oversight of the church's education program for middle and senior high school youth.

Here's the job description.

#### South Carolina Legal Services is hiring a Private Attorney Involvement and Recruitment Manager

Here's the job description.

#### Family Promise of Greater Charleston is hiring its first Executive Director

Family Promise of Greater Charleston, a new affiliate of the national Family Promise program (their ninth SC affiliate), is dedicated to helping homeless, soon-to-be homeless, and low-income families in the Greater Charleston area. The first program FPGC plans to launch is a family mentoring program, connecting interfaith volunteers with families or individuals who are making efforts to become more selfreliant. Over time, our goal is to provide a broad array of prevention and shelter opportunities that would work with and not duplicate existing programs. FPGC strives to help build an even stronger, unified connection between the faith-based community, service providers, and the unhoused.

FPGC is currently searching for its first Executive Director and is excited to share the job description with CAJM members. If you know of someone who is a good fit for this position, please feel free to share the job description (below).

# New to CAJM and want more information?

We are so glad you are here, and we'd love to connect you with a CAJM Team Leader!

Use the QR code to the right, or follow this link, to fill out a short survey so that we can match you with the Team Leader who best fits your needs.



# 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 late 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.



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