

AFFORDABLE HOUSING IS ON THE COUNTY COUNCIL FINANCE AGENDA THIS THURSDAY!

We received word yesterday that the Affordable Housing Trust Fund is on the finance agenda for this coming Thursday at 5:00 PM. We want to be present for that discussion as well as the county council meeting at 6:30 PM. If there is a vote taken at the Finance Committee meeting to fund the housing trust fund, there may be a decision brought before council.

We cannot make comments at the finance committee meeting but it will be important for us to hear the discussion. At the 6:30 PM council meeting, we will have a couple of people share their testimonies and we want to be present to support them.

So you have these opportunities-

1. You can show up at 4:45 PM for a short pre-meeting before we attend the finance committee meeting that begins at 5:00 PM

2. You can come at 6:15 PM to attend the County Council meeting that begins at 6:30 PM.

You can show up at 4:45 PM and attend BOTH the finance committee meeting AND the county council meeting.

Address for Finance and County Council meetings-Lonnie Hamilton, III Public Services Building 2nd Floor, 4045 Bridge View Drive North Charleston, South Carolina

Please email Anna Long at anna@thedartcenter.org and let her know how you plan to participate. Our goal is to have a minimum of 20 people at both the finance and council meeting.

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CAJM Press Conference to encourage County Council to use \$20 million dollars of the \$80 million dollars American Rescue Plan Act money to fund an Affordable Housing Trust Fund.

Looking Ahead to Network Meetings

Network meetings are a special time in our justice ministry cycle because they serve as an opportunity for us to come together again to build excitement for the upcoming Nehemiah Action. These gatherings will take place over the course of two weeks starting at the end of January and concluding February 10th. At each network meeting, multiple congregations will join together, providing an opportunity for us to build relationships across our diverse congregations. Many of us hold these relationships as a gift we may otherwise lack were it not for our collective call to do justice in our city -- that collective call that brings us all together to hold our officials accountable for the fair treatment of all people.

All clergy, team members, and network members across our congregations will participate in a network meeting where we will receive updates on the issues our research committees are currently working hard on and plan who we are going to bring with us to the Nehemiah Action. We hope to see you in person, because nothing beats the collective effervescence created by being together in the same room. However, we recognize that pandemic times are unfortunately not behind us quite yet, so virtual network meetings are available as well. Whichever way you are able to join us, come ready and excited to build power! Below are the dates your congregation has chosen in which to participate. Please click on a link and register for an in person or zoom date.

Network Meeting Dates

January 25th: Virtual on ZOOM - Mt. Moriah, Nichols Chapel, St. James, Morris Street - <u>Click here to register for the Jan. 25 Network Meeting</u>

January 31st: In Person at Mt. Moriah - Mt. Moriah, Mt. Pleasant Presbyterian, Grace City, Circular, St. James, Morris Street, LCOTR - <u>Click</u> here to register for the Jan. 31 Network Meeting

February 1st: Virtual on ZOOM- KKBE, Morris Brown, Circular, Edisto PCUSA - <u>Click here to register for the Feb. 1 Network Meeting</u>

February 7th: Virtual on ZOOM- St. John Catholic, Mt. Pleasant Presbyterian, Calvary Episcopal, Bethal/Salem, Masjid al Jami Ar-Rasheed, CofC - <u>Click here</u> to register for the Feb. 7 Network Meeting

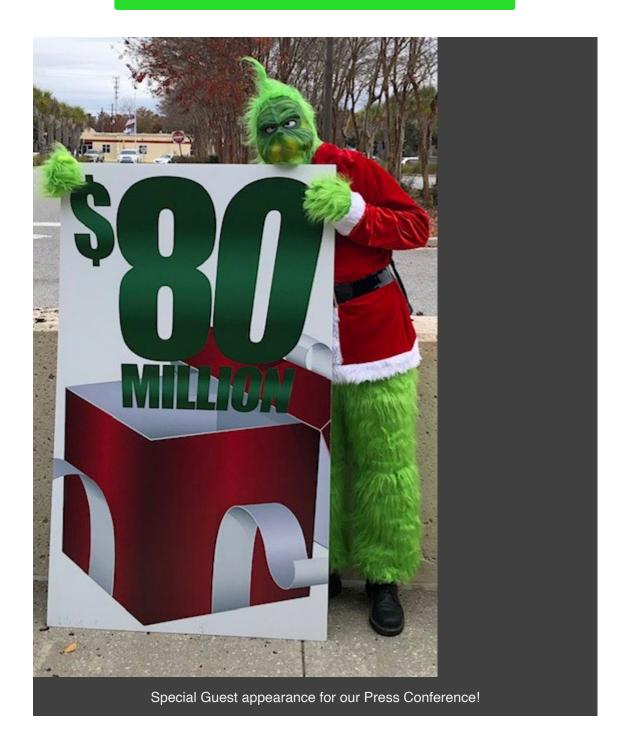
February 8th: In Person location TBA - KKBE, St. John Catholic - <u>Click here</u> to register for the Feb. 8 Network Meeting

February 10th: In Person location TBA - Morris Brown, Nichols Chapel, Parkside - <u>Click here to register for the Feb. 10 Network Meeting</u>

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