



NEWS

Pleasant Heights Economic Development Corporation Newsletter

November 2017

Welcome New Members!



Dear PHEDC Board Members and Community Members,

Congratulations! You're now a member of Pleasant Heights Economic Development Corporation. If you're like most new members, you've worked hard to reach this point. You've listened to our community, and come to understand its values and concerns. Above all, you've embraced the transformative power of a great board to improve economic development. Local control of economic sustainability through elected board members is a deeply held tradition. EDC's boards and community

members may be small and local, but they represent perhaps the most important daily community commitment we as citizens make to our communities, our children, and our future.

At the same time, you'll learn how to make a positive difference in the work of the board, and how to contribute most effectively to lasting change. We want you to be the most effective possible advocate for our community's revitalization vision and values.

We look forward to you joining and participating all events, forums, committees, and programming in the lower central region of the City of Detroit Wayne County and the State of Michigan.

Thank you,
Ishmail Terry
Chief Executive Officer

15th Annual Holiday Harvest Toy Drive



All Four One and Pleasant Heights Economic Development Corporation is proud to partner with Detroit Medical Center Children Hospital and Ronald McDonald House Charity of Southeastern Michigan to provide toys to boys and girls. We are seeking your assistance in bringing the Christmas spirit to the less fortunate! Your donated toys, clothing and books will be delivered to children. Donating or contributing is easy and it will bring great joy to you and your family!

Continue editorial Holiday Harvest Toy Drive

In 2012 we raised over 15,000 toys. In 2013 we donated over \$10,000 of toys! In 2015 –16 we raised over 25,000 in donated toys. Now we need your support!! Now it's time aren't you excited to bring a smile to a little one's face this Christmas.

Would you like to help? Contact us ASAP!

"We are grateful for partnerships like this that can really make a difference," said Coaches Corner Owner Dennis Kefallinos.

We are looking for sponsorships, donations, places to put stocking boxes in major location area. God Bless and Merry Christmas!



Pleasant Heights Economic Development Corporation Soci-Economic Forum

About the City of Detroit Community & Neighborhood Development Social Economic Forum

Pleasant Heights Economic Development Corporation and our title sponsors All Four One, Flagstar Bank, and The HUB Detroit Magazine hosted more than 300 people attending the Social Economic Forum on Entrepreneurship, Job Market, and Housing Market to hear from speakers like Nancy Grose of the U.S. Small Business Administration and Wayne County Treasurer Eric Sabree. The Social Economic Forum, committed to improving the state of Michigan, is the national organization for public-private cooperation.



social contract between states and their citizens continues to erode.

Politically, new and divisive narratives are transforming governance. Economically, policies are being formulated to preserve the benefits of the State of Michigan integration while limiting shared obligations such as sustainable development, inclusive growth and managing the Fourth Industrial Revolution. Socially, citizens yearn for responsive leadership; yet, a collective purpose remains elusive despite ever-expanding social networks. All the while, the

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Creative Book and Arts Center



Redevelopment: The site will be converted into a neighborhood book and arts center called PHEDC Center for Public Arts which provides classrooms, studio spaces, high end boutique, café, and performance venues for residents of the City of Detroit. The building design included

sustainable features such as: Energy efficient windows with insulated glass; super insulated walls and ceiling assemblies; energy efficient lighting control systems; low volatile organic compound paints and products; high recycle content carpet; and installation of energy star appliances. In addition, the development also includes rain gardens, a green roof, and a grey water irrigation system installed to capture and reuse rain water runoff.

Social Benefits: The PHEDC Center for Public Arts aims to further enrich and diversify cultural life in Detroit by providing facilities and work spaces for emerging artists. The center includes: Affordable studios and workspace, gallery space, exhibition programs, arts education programming, an artist in residency program, high end boutique, café, and public art. This project converted a neighborhood eye sore into a lively and productive creative space.

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opportunities are
like buses, there's
always another
one coming. –
Richard Branson

What's Happening In Your Community



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APPLY NOW!

Detroit Future City is now accepting applications for the 2018 Lot Mini-Grant for up to \$6,500 for vacant lot revitalization

Detroit Future City:
Working with Lots
Mini-Grant Program

DFC WORKING WITH LOTS
MINI-GRANT PROGRAM:
COMMUNITY TRACK (\$6,500)
Ends on December 4, 2017

Do you have a vision for transforming vacant land in your neighborhood into a community asset? So does Detroit Future City Let's work together!

Eligibility:

- Be a community group willing to learn, share learnings, and be a good steward for land in the city
- Own the land, or have written permission from owner
- Demonstrate use of Field Guide, including a detailed budget, maintenance plan, and capacity to execute
- Be a 501c-3, or have a fiduciary

Applications are due by: December 4, 2017

Awardees notified by January 9, 2018

For more information or to apply please visit:

WWW.DFC-LOTS.COM OR CALL 313.259.4407



UNITED STATES
DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

U.S. Department of Labor News

U.S. Jobless Claims Decline Heading into Holiday Season Initial jobless claims fell 13,000 last week The unemployment rate moved a tick higher to 4.4%, but it did so for the right reason – because more potential workers entered the labor force, pushing the labor participation rate up. The same is true of underemployment – the percentage of workers who'd like to work more hours but haven't been able to find enough work. Strong Job Market – but Slack Remains

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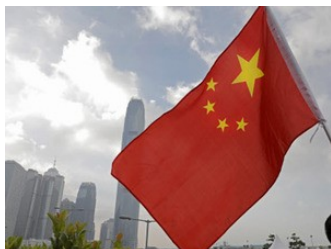
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International Business News

China orders Skype withdrawal from Apple's app store, other platforms



Popular communications application Skype and other similar calling apps are no longer available on US tech giant Apple's app store in China and other platforms due to an order by the government.

"We have been notified by the Ministry of Public Security that a number of VoIP (Voice over Internet Protocol) apps do not comply with local law therefore these apps have been removed from the app store in China," Apple said in a statement sent to Efe news.

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