# FRANKLINTON NEWSLETTER

A product of Franklinton Development Association



#### Introduction

Happy November! Please remember to vote on Tuesday, November 3rd if you didn't vote early in-person or by-mail via absentee. You can check the status of your absentee ballot online at <a href="https://franklincountyvotes.com">https://franklincountyvotes.com</a>.

### **Announcement: FDA Rebranding**



HOUSING - EDUCATION - ADVOCACY

Introducing the rebranded Franklinton Development Association! Depending on when you first learned about our work, you might have called us Franklinton Urban Empowerment Lab, FUEL, FUEL Franklinton, or maybe you never stopped calling us FDA. But we are once again officially known as Franklinton Development Association, or FDA for short. We want to thank Summerfield Advertising Inc for their work on the rebrand and logo design.

Franklinton Development Association has been operating since 1993. Our organization started as a board-led non-profit aimed to create affordable homeownership opportunities. We are dedicated to creating housing opportunities for people at all income levels, but especially those struggling financially. We are built around cooperation, hard work, empathy, and a love for Franklinton and its residents. Our long history in the community enables us to stay true to the people we aim to serve. Franklinton should be a united community, working hand in hand to create a place where there is enough room for everyone to belong without fear of displacement, or economic segregation. We offer support to those in need and assistance to anyone looking for information through Franklinton.org and Hilltopusa.org. We are here for our neighbors.

Check out our updated website: <a href="https://franklintondevelopment.org/">https://franklintondevelopment.org/</a>.

#### **Announcement: Flu Shot Clinics**



Influenza (flu) is a respiratory illness that can be serious, sometimes leading to hospitalization and even death. You can take steps to protect yourself and your loved ones from flu by getting your flu vaccine every year, washing your hands, covering your cough, and always staying home if you're sick. The flu vaccine is completely safe.

The Ohio Expo Center & State Fair Celeste Center (717 E. 17th Ave) will host a pop-up clinic from Monday to Friday from 8AM-4PM in November. COVID-19 testing has also moved to this location.

Flu vaccines also are available through the Immunization Clinic at Columbus Public Health (240 Parsons Ave Columbus, OH 43215). No charge if you have no insurance or underinsured, no child will be denied if the family is unable to pay. If you have any questions, please call 614-645-1519.

Search for flu shots online via zip code at: <a href="https://vaccinefinder.org/find-vaccine">https://vaccinefinder.org/find-vaccine</a>.

#### **Announcement: COSI Reopening**



COSI is reopening on Friday, November 20th. Reservations required for all guests. Face coverings required for guests 6 years of age and older.

For complete details on the many changes we have made to help ensure guest and team safety, please click here: <a href="https://cosi.org/covid19">https://cosi.org/covid19</a>.

# **Resource Highlight: Utility Assistance**

The City of Columbus has announced additional assistance to Columbus residents facing utility shutoff or are unable to secure housing due to overdue utility bills. Funding has been provided to the following organizations. We encourage residents to contact them to see if they qualify for assistance:

- The Breathing Association 614-457-4570
- Gladden Community House 614-227-1600
- YMCA of Central Ohio 614-705-9151
- Central Community House 614-252-3157
- Community Refugee & Immigrant Services (CRIS) 614-235-5747
- LifeCare Alliance 614-278-3130
- Columbus Literacy Council 614-224-0501
- St. Stephen's Community House 614-294-6347
- Mid-Ohio Board of Independent Living 614-443-5936
- Catholic Social Services 614-221-5891



# **Resource Highlight: Updated LLCHC COVID-19 Testing**

Lower Lights Christian Health Center is offering testing for those who are symptomatic, or whom believe they have been exposed to someone with COVID-19, or those who live in congregate housing (such as a shelter). Testing takes place at 777 W. State Street (outside of entrance), Columbus, OH 43222 on Wednesdays from 1-4PM and Fridays from 8:30AM-11:30AM.

Registration is strongly preferred: Call 614-274-1455 (option 1), or go online at: <a href="https://LLCHC.org/COVID19">https://LLCHC.org/COVID19</a>.

# Sign-up Opportunity: Salvation Army Holiday Gifts



Do you need help getting toys and food this holiday season? The Salvation Army has an application for families to apply for assistance during the holiday season. Families with children 14 years or younger are able to apply until November 9th, and families without children 14 years and younger can apply from November 2nd-9th. The deadline for all applications is 1PM on November 9th. Required documents include picture identification for head of household and proof of dependents with birth dates for all household members.

The application is available online: <a href="https://salvationarmycentralohio.org">https://salvationarmycentralohio.org</a> under "Application". Paper applications can be printed online and dropped off at 1 of the 4 Central Ohio locations (Westside location: The Salvation Army Hilltop Worship & Service Center 2300 West Mound St Columbus, OH 43204).

Approved applicants will receive a letter in the mail with the date, time and location for pick-up. It will be a drive-thru operation this year due to safety concerns.

#### **Upcoming Event: Celebrate One Stroller Socials**

Join Celebrate One on Facebook Live on the second Wednesday of the month at 6:30PM for their Stroller Socials! Get out in your neighborhood for a walk, or find a way to move your body at home. Watch the Facebook Live to learn about helpful tips for you and your child, and maybe have a chance to win prizes.

https://www.facebook.com/CelebrateOne

## **Upcoming Event: Watercolor Class at Gladden**



Beginner Watercolor class taught by Brenda St. Clair on Monday nights at Gladden Community House. Classes cost \$7 for one class or \$35 for six weeks, all supplies are included.

Call Gladden to register: 614-227-1600



#### Calendar of Events: November SU 1 To see more details on the events listed visit: https://franklinton.org/resources/events/. Farm Stand@ 10AM-12PM, Learning Garden on 11/1 SA/SU TU W TH F M 2 4 6 7/8 Dodge Rec Center Produce Distribution @ 3PM **Election Day** Farm Stand @ Little Bottoms Free Store @ 6:30-8PM Virtual FAC Zoning Committee @ 6PM 10AM-12PM, Learning Garden on 11/7 TU W F SA/SU TΗ M 9 10 11 12 13 14/15 Veteran's Day Celebrate One **Virtual Franklinton** Franklinton Friday Farm Stand @ **Little Bottoms Free** Outdoor Market @ 6-10PM 10AM-12PM, Learning **Area Commission** Stroller Social Store @ 6:30-8PM Garden on 11/14 @ 6:30 SA/SU M TU W TH 21/22 16 17 18 19 20 **Dodge Rec Center Produce Distribution** @ 3PM Virtual FAC Housing & Farm Stand @ 10AM-12PM, Learning Virtual Safe Sleep Virtual Safe Sleep Development Committee @ 5:30PM Ambassador Training Ambassador Training Little Bottoms Free Store @ 6:30-8PM @ 10AM @ 11AM Garden on 11/21 TU W TH F SA M 28/29 26 27 23 24 25 Virtual Safe Sleep Farm Stand @ Ambassador Training @ 10:30AM 10AM-12PM, Learning **Thanksgiving** Garden on 11/28 M 30 **Questions? Comments?** Call us at 614-275-4988, or send us an email at

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