FRANKLINTON NEWSLETTER

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Introduction



Trick-or-Treat

Happy October! The air feels crisp and the leaves have started to change colors. There hasn't been an official announcement regarding Trick-or-Treat, but please practice social distancing and wear a mask for any fall or Halloween activities.

National Night Out

Due to concerns with COVID-19, the planning team has decided to cancel National Night Out in Franklinton this year. We are sad to share this news because National Night Out is an event everyone looks forward to each year. We hope to celebrate BIG in 2021. The planning team is brainstorming alternative options and will share when a decision has been made. Stay updated by checking the Facebook page: <u>https://www.facebook.com/ftonnationalnightout</u>.

Announcement: Virtual Franklinton Job Fair Recap

We hosted a virtual job fair on Tuesday, September 15th via Facebook. We shared interview videos, graphics, and websites from employers and workforce development agencies. We worked with CleanTurn, Columbus Works, IMPACT Community Action, Ohio Means Jobs, and more. If you or someone you know is looking for a job, employment coaching, or workforce training, we recommend watching the videos and viewing the photos on our Facebook page!

Find it here: <u>https://www.facebook.com/fuelfranklinton</u>.



Announcement: Early Voting



Are you ready to vote in November? Election Day is Tuesday, November 3rd. The last day to update voter registration is October 5th.

If you requested an absentee application, you can track it online at <u>https://franklincountyvotes.com</u>. The Franklin County Board of Elections will begin mailing ballots on Tuesday, October 6th. The deadline for returning an absentee ballot is to be postmarked by Monday, November 2nd and received within 10 days of November 3rd. Absentee ballots can be dropped off at the Board of Elections (1700 Morse Rd, Columbus, OH 43229) by 7:30PM on November 3rd.

Early voting begins on October 6th at the Franklin County Board of Elections (1700 Morse Rd). Early voting is available on October 6-16 (weekdays only) from 8AM-5PM, October 19-23 (weekdays only) from 8AM-6PM, October 24 from 8AM-4PM, October 25 from 1-5PM, October 26-30 (weekdays only from 8AM-7PM, October 31 from 8AM-4PM, November 1 from 1-5PM, and November 2 from 8AM-2PM.

If you're interested in becoming a poll worker, visit <u>https://workelectionday.com/</u>.

Announcement: Columbus Karma Thegsum Chöling (KTC) Buddhist Meditation Center

The Columbus Karma Thegsum Chöling Buddhist Meditation Center in Franklinton started construction September 8th on their new 10,000-square-foot meditation and congregational center. After its meditation center (located in the former Rich Street Church of Christ at the corner of West Rich and South Grubb streets) was destroyed in an arson fire in January 2016, the 50-member congregation began raising money from around the US and the world to help rebuild its meditation hall, fellowship hall, and classrooms. The rebuilding project will take approximately 10 months to complete.

For more information, please visit: <u>https://www.columbusktc.org/rebuild</u>.

Resource Highlight: Safe Point



Safe Point is a comprehensive harm reduction model to educate the community about safer drug use and fight the spread of infectious disease. Safe Point is a legal program operated by Equitas Health with support from Columbus Public Health.

Safe Point is located at 1267 W. Broad St Columbus, OH 43222. Hours of operation are Tuesday and Wednesday from 4-8PM, and Saturday from 9AM-1PM.

Learn more at <u>https://safepointohio.org/</u>.



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Resource Highlight: New CoGo Station



Franklinton has a new CoGo Station and it's right next to Franklinton Cycle Works! The station is located at the corner of Martin/Broad.

CoGo is a bikeshare system that allows riders to check out a bike at any automated bike station, then ride it around from station to station while checking out all Columbus has to offer. When you've reached your destination, just dock your bike at the nearest station to complete your session, and you'll be on your way.

There is a new program called CoGo For All, which provides a membership for \$5 for any Columbus resident that is 18 years or older receiving Medicaid, SNAP, or a discounted utility bill. CoGo For All and a station in Franklinton provides a real opportunity for residents to get around town inexpensively and without worrying about bike ownership. FCW has all the information you need and can help you apply for this new program. CoGo has also given FCW a limited number of Day Passes for people to test out this new station.

Learn more at https://cogobikeshare.com/for-all.

Survey Opportunity: Northwest Corridor Survey

LinkUS considers the growth expected and development for the Central Ohio region over the next few years and how transportation plays a role. Your insights through this survey will help to inform the LinkUS: Northwest Corridor initiative. Franklinton is included in part of this area.

Take the survey here: <u>https://linkuscolumbus.com/nw-survey/.</u>

Upcoming Events: Farm Stand

Franklinton Farm's farm stand market is open! Come to the Learning Garden (154 Hawkes Avenue) on Saturday mornings from 10AM-12PM and get a lovely selection of fresh produce.

There are three different scales of payment: Franklinton neighbors get 50% off, SNAP/EBT payments with 75% off, and WIC coupons accepted.

Upcoming Events: CelebrateOne Virtual Safe Sleep Ambassador Trainings

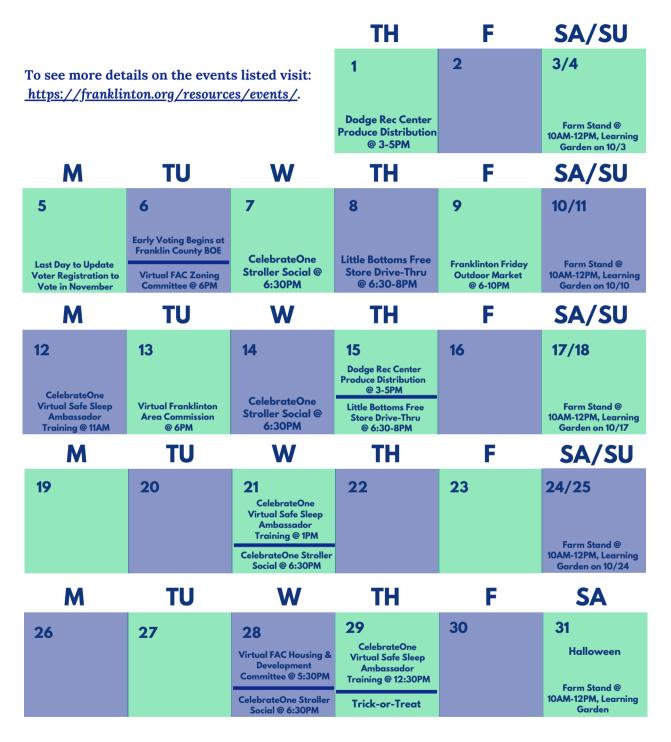


Become a Safe Sleep Ambassador and help babies celebrate their first birthday! Columbus Public Health and CelebrateOne's infant safe sleep experts will teach you the ABC's of safe sleep and certify you as a Safe Sleep Ambassador. You will be ready to share your knowledge with friends, parents and anyone caring for newborns and infants, and you'll be part of the solution to ensure our babies thrive. ALL are welcome! All trainings are being held via WebEx. For question or to RSVP for a training, contact Sarah Posten at SLPosten@columbus.gov.

Monday, October 12th at 11AM Wednesday, October 21st at 1PM Thursday, October 29th at 12:30PM.



Calendar of Events: October



Questions? Comments? Call us at 614-275-4988, or send us an email at info@franklinton.org

