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Thursday, February 20, 2025; Anthony J. Celebrezze Federal Building, E. 9<sup>th</sup> and Lakeside: Protesters, protest firings of federal employees orchestrated by Elon Musk's Department of Government Efficiency. A member the Service Employees International Union joins with about 150 protesters to show her support for federal workers who lost their jobs.

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## Shontel Brown calls for "all-hands-on-deck" response to Trump agenda

by Chuck Hoven

Over 700 people attended Congresswoman Shontel Brown's Town Hall on February 20<sup>th</sup> to rally against President Donald Trump's and the Congressional Republican majority's agenda.

Congresswoman Shontel Brown, who represents Ohio's 11<sup>th</sup> Congressional District, told the crowd, gathered in the auditorium at the Arnold Pinkney East Professional Center, that fighting

back against the Trump agenda consists of three-pronged strategy of battling in Congress, the Courts, and the community.

Congresswoman Brown noted that Democrats in the United States House of Representatives only needed three Republicans to vote with them to defeat legislation.

She said that Republicans on the House Budget Committee have passed

a budget resolution calling for "\$4.5 trillion in tax cuts for the wealthy and corporations." Half of the tax cuts in this Trump endorsed budget, Brown says will flow to the top 5% of households (households making \$450,000 or more per year). Brown says the top 0.1% of taxpayers would get an average annual tax cut of \$315,000 per year.

Brown said the layoffs of government workers and calls in the Trump Republican budget for cuts to social services are not about reducing fraud and abuse or stemming inflation but rather aimed at justifying the tax cuts for the wealthy. She said the Trump Republican budget calls for "\$880 billion in cuts to Medicaid and Affordable Care Act premium assistance; repealing the inflation reduction act, ending price caps for seniors; at least \$230 billion in cuts to programs like the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP); at least \$330 billion in cuts to student loan programs, Pell Grants, Head Start and school lunch programs; at least \$50 billion in cuts to federal employee retirement programs, as well as cuts to the Consumer Financial Protection Bureau, Bipartisan Infrastructure Law funding for airports, cuts to Temporary Assistance to Needy Families (TANF) and Medicare provider payments."

Besides introducing legislation in Congress and sending letters to the administration demanding answers to reasons for cuts and layoffs and seeking lists of projects frozen by Trump administration executive actions, Brown says she has stood in solidarity with government workers protesting cuts in continued on page 8



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Thursday, February 20, 2025; Congresswoman Shontel Brown, Ohio District 11, Town Hall, Arnold Pinkney East Professional Center, 1349 E. 79<sup>th</sup> Street: Congresswoman Shontel Brown refers to Congressional Republicans' plan to cut taxes for the wealthy and the Trump administration's budget that calls for massive cuts in social services and government employee layoffs to help justify the tax cuts. Congresswoman Brown said to the over 700 people attending the Town Hall, "It is an all-hands-on deck moment."



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Thursday, February 20, 2025; Anthony J. Celebrezze Federal Building, E. 9<sup>th</sup> and Lakeside: Protest against the mass firings of federal employees orchestrated by Elon Musk's Department of Government Efficiency. A staff member of the local American Federation of Labor and Congress of Industrial Organizations (AFL-CIO) joins the protest to show federal workers that Cleveland's labor movement supports the effort to restore their jobs.

## Neighborhood and Community Media Association meets with Cleveland Mayor Justin Bibb

On February 13<sup>th</sup> members of the Neighborhood and Community Media Association of Greater Cleveland met with Cleveland Mayor Justin Bibb for a Roundtable discussion at WOJU 95.9 FM Radio Station on Kinsman Road. Each media outlet was able to ask Mayor Bibb one question.

Plain Press Managing Editor Chuck Hoven asked Mayor Bibb, now that the Cleveland Browns no longer desire to play in the downtown stadium, if the City of Cleveland would be willing to increase funds to the Cleveland Metropolitan School District for its Comprehensive Extracurricular Activities

Program (CEAP). CEAP's funding was reduced from \$2 million dollars a year to about \$1 million a year over a decade ago, and the program never regained the lost funding. The funds that were promised to CEAP were instead used to pay for repairs and improvements at the Brown's football stadium.

Mayor Bibb said he was not willing to restore the funds to CEAP at this time due to ongoing negotiations with the Browns over the future location of the stadium. He said the City of Cleveland has invested \$3.5 million in programs for youth at Cleveland's recreation centers.

## Protesters show solidarity with laid off Federal Government employees

On February 20<sup>th</sup>, in front of the Anthony J. Celebrezze Federal Building, local labor leaders, union members and concerned citizens joined with federal government employees to show their support for federal government workers who lost their jobs in the recent massive job cuts orchestrated by the Elon

Musk led Department of Government Efficiency. About 150 people gathered for the protest. Speakers talked of the nonsensical nature of the government job cuts and how Cleveland labor unions were offering their solidarity with those government employees losing their jobs. Speakers included local

labor leaders as well as Ohio District 11 Congresswoman Shontel Brown.

Protesters carried signs signaling their concerns such as "Save the Country, Save the Civil Service", "Stop the War on Workers", "UAW - United Automotive, Aerospace and Agricultural continued on page 3



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Thursday, February 13, 2025; Mayor Justin Bibb's Roundtable with members of the Neighborhood and Community Media Association of Greater Cleveland, at WOJU 95.9 FM Radio Station, 7201 Kinsman Road: Cleveland Mayor Justin Bibb joins with members of local community media organizations in a group photo.

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 Cleveland State University (CSU) Office of  
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### Kudos to Cameron Mays' satirical 'Don't kill Rufus' piece

**To the editor:**  
Kudos to Cameron Mays and his 'Don't kill Rufus' piece. (*Plain Press*, January 2025). It took some convincing from my family to see that Mr. Mays was being satirical. If entire redlined minority neighbor-

hoods can be bulldozed to build lousy highways, then why can't we eminent domain (municipalize) a lousy football team and make its feckless and heartless owner pay for our underfunded mass transit, local schools and colleges and

public health? Perhaps we elect politicians with the will to make these changes and who don't pander to smug billionaires.

**Robert Holland  
Lakewood**

### Home Video Systems (VHS) usher in the dinner and a movie era

Remember the VHS/Beta tape era? Back then, one could rent a motion picture from the nearest video store in your neighborhood and watch it in the privacy of your own home without any interruptions. No longer did you have to go to a crowded theater and fight for a good seat to watch the latest movie

release. In addition, if you missed the airing of your favorite movie on television, you no longer had to wait until the following year to catch the next airing. You could just go down to your local video store and rent the movie. Some movie die-hard fans transformed their basements into a miniature theater,

along with huge screens and speakers, to mimic the effect of their nearest movie house. The video home system (VHS) was a threat to the movie studios.

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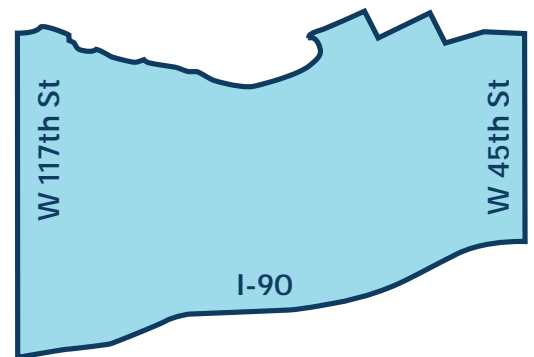
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Bright Beginnings Parent Support Lead Program.. 698-7500  
[www.escneo.org/ParentSupportLeadProgram.aspx](http://www.escneo.org/ParentSupportLeadProgram.aspx)  
Triple P-Positive Parenting Program..... 698-7500  
Centers for Youth and Family Services  
Fathers and Families Together Office ... 325-9124  
Connecting for Kids .....440-570-5908  
<https://connectingforkids.org>  
Healthy Fathering Collaborative .....211 or 245-7842  
[www.neofathering.net](http://www.neofathering.net)  
MomsFirst City of Cleveland Dept of Public Health. 664-4194



**ARTS**

**FREE KIDS AND FAMILY ART CLASSES:** Join Art House Inc. staff and fellow community members for free art classes at Michael Zone Rec. Center (6301 Lorain Ave.) Tuesdays and Thursdays from 5:30 pm to 6:30 pm until March 14. It is part of Art House's *Cultural Exploration Through Art* series and is an opportunity to create art while learning about other cultures. All ages and walk-ins are welcome.

**GORDON SQUARE REVIEW SEEKING SUBMISSIONS:**

Literary Cleveland's online literary journal Gordon Square Review is open for submissions now through March 31. Submissions of fiction, creative nonfiction, and poetry are welcome, and there is no fee to submit. Accepted contributors are paid, and all writers are considered for editorial mentorships. Visit [gordonsquarereview.org/submit](http://gordonsquarereview.org/submit) to learn more.

**KIDS' COMIC CON:**

Lake Erie Ink's 13th edition of its Kids' Comic Con will be hosted at the Pivot Center (2937 W 25 St.) on Saturday, March 8 from 10 am to 4 pm. Attend workshops, visit the artists' alley, learn new skills, ignite your imagination, and learn more about what it takes to work in the comics industry. Check out the trading station to trade zines and art with other participants and guest artists. Cosplay is encouraged. Visit <https://lakeerieink.org/> to learn more.

**RAICES BOOK DISCUSSION:**

Join the Young Latino Network for a thoughtful book discussion on Tuesday, March 26 from 6 pm to 8 pm at ThirdSpace Action Lab (1464 E 105th St #302). We encourage you to read the book ahead of time and reflect on its themes, ideas, and how they resonate with you. This month we will discuss *Defectors: The Rise of the Latino Far Right and What It Means for America* by Paola Ramos. If you have any questions,

please contact [angela@ylncl.org](mailto:angela@ylncl.org).

**CELEBRATIONS**

**MUSIC AT MAIN - ANDREW MC-MANUS TRIO:** In celebration of St. Patrick's Day, join us as the Andrew McManus Trio performs on the third floor of the downtown library (325 Superior Ave. NE), from 2 pm to 3 pm on Saturday, March 1. Andrew is joined by Tessa Thistlethwaite on fiddle and Mark Whalen Jr. on percussion.

**ST. PATRICK'S DAY PARADE:** The 2025 St. Patrick's Day Parade, sponsored by the United Irish Societies of Greater Cleveland, will be held on Monday, March 17. The parade will kick off at 1:04 pm at the corner of East 18th St. and Superior Ave. and travel down Superior toward Public Square.

**EDUCATION**

**SCHOLARSHIPS FOR WOMEN:** Cleveland-area women aged 25 and up who are currently enrolled in a four-year or graduate degree program are encouraged to apply for a scholarship from College Club West for the 2025-'26 school year, at [collegeclubwest.org/scholarships](http://collegeclubwest.org/scholarships). The deadline to apply is March 14. The Scholarship Committee will interview applicants in May and will select recipients on the basis of maturity, academic record, promise, goals, and financial need.

**HEALTH**

**THE GYM AT LUTHERAN HOSPITAL:** Cleveland Clinic's new community gym at Lutheran Hospital (1730 W 25th St.) is free and available to community members 18 years old and older. Participants will receive access to exercise equipment with smart-gym technology, a personalized exercise program, automated progress tracking, physician guidance, and individualized coaching. For more info or to join the program, call 216-425-7282.

**HEALTHY HAPPY HOUR YOGA:**

Come learn Gentle Chair and Mat Yoga at this FREE community neighborhood class where accessible movement can promote peace and relaxation, regardless of age, physical ability, or experience level. This is a safe space for your practice of yoga and meditation. Friday, March 14 and Friday, March 28 from 5:30 pm-6:30 pm at CentroVilla 25 (3140 West 25th St.). A limited number of yoga mats are available to borrow, but please bring your own mat if you are able.

**HOUSING**

**NEOCH HOUSING CLINICS:** The Northeast Ohio Coalition for the Homeless offers weekly housing clinics, which offer walk-in services for unhoused folks

who are unsheltered and in need of street outreach support such as: linkage to services or assistance with housing options. Eligible housing applicants can begin filling out applications on the same day and may also get assistance (including vouchers) in obtaining primary documents like ID's, drivers licenses, birth certificates, and social security cards. The clinics are held Tuesdays at 9 am at Cosgrove Center (1736 Superior Ave.) and Thursdays at 11 am at St. Paul's Community Church (4427 Franklin Blvd.) Please note: For the Cosgrove Center location on Tuesdays, it is advised to arrive early due to high volume. Also note that our normally scheduled clinics on Wednesdays at St. Malachi Center will be temporarily paused.

**IMMIGRATION**

**THE CLEVELAND WESTSIDE VILLAGE** will present *Refugees Resettling in Cleveland* on Saturday, March 8, 2025 from 1-3 p.m. at the Carnegie West Library. John Bazyk, Professor Emeritus of Occupational Therapy (OT) at Cleveland State University, will speak about his work partnering with the **USCRI-Cleveland** (U.S. Committee for Refugees and Immigrants) in a program designed and implemented through the OT Department at CSU. Please register at <https://clevelandwestside.helpfulvillage.com/events/525-refugees-resettling-in-cleveland>

**KNOW YOUR RIGHTS IF ICE VISITS YOUR HOME:**

All people living in the United States, including undocumented immigrants, have certain U.S. Constitutional rights. If you are undocumented and immigration (ICE) agents knock on your door, know that you have the following rights: you don't have to open the door unless they have a valid search warrant signed by a judge, you have the right to remain silent, and you have the right to contact a lawyer immediately. If you want more info about your rights or to learn if you might be eligible for immigration benefits or relief, speak to a reputable immigration lawyer. Go to the American Immigration Lawyers Association website, [ailalawyers.org](http://ailalawyers.org), to connect with a lawyer in your area.

**LEGAL AID DETAINED IMMIGRANT INTAKE LINE:** Cleveland's Legal Aid Society has recently opened a special intake phone number for immigrants who are detained: 216-861-5700.

Individuals who have been detained by Immigration and Customs Enforcement personnel and who need legal advice and representation are encouraged to call this number.

**LEGAL ISSUES**

**LEGAL AID BRIEF ADVICE CLINIC:** Have a legal question? Legal Aid has answers! Visit this Brief Advice Clinic at the Eastman Branch of the Cleveland Public Library (11602 Lorain Ave.) on Saturday, March 8 to chat with an attorney about a problem related to money, housing, family, employment or other issues. This clinic is first come, first served, no appointments needed. (Only questions on civil legal issues, not criminal problems). Please bring all important paperwork with you. Intake hour is from 10 am to 11 am. In the meantime, Legal Aid is open 24/7 online at [lasclev.org](http://lasclev.org), or you can call Legal Aid for help during most business hours at 888-817-3777.

**TAXES**

**FREE TAX PREPARATION ASSISTANCE:** With the Cuyahoga EITC Coalition, eligible individuals can prepare and file their taxes absolutely free! There is an EITC tax site at the Gordon Square Arcade (6516 Detroit Avenue) that is open Mondays and Tuesdays from 4 pm-8 pm. and Saturdays from 9:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m. To learn more or schedule an appointment, visit [refundohio.org](http://refundohio.org) or call 211.

**VOLUNTEERING**

**TRIALS FOR HOPE** is seeking volunteers to help on Monday and Tuesday mornings from 10 AM to 1 PM with bagging canned goods at its Ohio City headquarters (4321 Bridge Ave). If interested, please call 216-920-2205 or visit <https://trials4hope.org/> to learn more about us.

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[www.benefits.ohio.gov](http://www.benefits.ohio.gov)  
 Cuyahoga County Dog Licenses: [www.cuyahogadogs.com](http://www.cuyahogadogs.com)  
 Cuyahoga County Job and Family Service Centers  
 Virgil Brown .... 987-7353  
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<https://cuyahogacounty.gov>  
 Cuyahoga County Scam Squad .....443-SCAM (7226)  
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 Cuyahoga County Solid Waste District ..... 443-3749  
[www.cuyahogarecycles.org](http://www.cuyahogarecycles.org)  
 Cuyahoga Valley National Park .....440-717-389  
<https://nps.gov/cuva>  
 Emergency Medical Service ..... 911  
 Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI) .....522-1400  
 Fire Department -Fire Public Education Unit ..... 664-6386  
 Greater Cleveland Regional Transit Authority ..... 566-5100  
 RTA Answer Line.....[www.rideRTA.com](http://www.rideRTA.com).....621-9500  
 TDY (for hearing impaired) .....781-4271  
 RTA Paratransit ..... 566-5244  
 National Do Not Call Registry ..... <https://donotcall.gov>  
 NE Ohio Areawide Coordinating Agency..... 241-2414  
 Northeast Ohio Regional Sewer District ..... 881-8247  
 Ohio Dept. of Insurance ..... <https://insurance.ohio.gov>  
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 Police Department (non-emergency).....311  
 Police First District.....623-5100  
 First District Community Relations ..... 664-6634  
 Police Second District.....623-5200  
 Second District Community Relations ..... 664-3293  
 Prosecutor's Office (Cleveland) .....664-4850  
 Prosecutor's Office (Cuyahoga County).....443-7800  
 Sustainable Cleveland .....664-2455  
 Social Security Administration.....1-800-772-1213  
 TTY ..... 1-800-325-0778  
 United States Department of Justice .....202-514-2000

**HEALTH CARE**

Asian Services in Action –  
 International Community Health Center . 361-1223  
 Care Alliance.....535-9100  
 Case Western Reserve University Dental Clinic... 368-3200  
 Circle Health Services ..... 721-4010  
 COVID-19 Vaccine Location Information - Ohio  
<https://odh.ohio.gov/know-our-programs/covid-19>  
 Cuy Community College Community Health, Wellness  
 and Preventive Care Center.....987-3555  
 Cuy Community College Dental Hygiene Clinic...987-4413  
 Grace Hospital.....687-1500  
 Holy Family Home Health Care & Hospice...440-888-7722  
[www.holyfamilyhome.com](http://www.holyfamilyhome.com)  
 Hospice of the Western Reserve ..... 800-707-8922  
 Lutheran Hospital ..... 696-4300  
 McCafferty Health Center.....651-5005  
 MetroHealth Medical Center.[www.metrohealth.org](http://www.metrohealth.org) 778-7800  
 MetroHealth Ohio City Health Center..... 957-4848  
 Neighborhood Family Practice ..... 281-0872  
[www.nfpmedcenter.org](http://www.nfpmedcenter.org)  
 Planned Parenthood -Cleveland Health Center .....851-1880  
 St. Augustine Health Campus ..... 634-7400  
 St. Augustine Towers Assisted Living  
[www.staugministries.org](http://www.staugministries.org)  
 VA Medical Center ..... [www.va.gov](http://www.va.gov) ..... 791-3800  
 Visiting Nurse Association.....931-1400

**HEALTH RESOURCES**

Affordable Care Act [www.healthcare.gov](http://www.healthcare.gov) . 1-800-318-2596  
 Alzheimer's Association -Cleveland - Helpline.  
 1-800-272-3900  
 American Red Cross.....431-3010  
 Arthritis Foundation ..... 800-283-7800  
 Better Health Partnership .....250-1077  
 Canine Companions ..... [www.canine.org](http://www.canine.org)  
 Catholic Charities Health and Human Services .....334-2900  
 Centers for Families and Children ..... 432-7200  
 Gordon Square Office ..... 651-2037  
 Cleveland Air Quality Index ..... [www.iqair.com](http://www.iqair.com)  
 Cleveland Department of Public Health ..... 664-2324  
[www.clevelandhealth.org](http://www.clevelandhealth.org)  
 Cleveland Emergency Medical Services ..... 664-2598  
 Cuyahoga County Board of Health.....201-2060  
 Cuyahoga County Veterans Service Commission.....698-2600  
 Diabetes Association of Greater Cleveland..... 328-9989  
 Epilepsy Association .....579-1330  
 Family Resource Network of Ohio ..... 614-293-2134  
 Get Covered Ohio . [getcoveredohio.org](http://getcoveredohio.org) ..... 833-628-4467  
 Help Foundation ..... 432-4810  
 Help Me Grow of Cuyahoga County.....930-3322  
 Hospice of the Western Reserve..... 800-707-8921  
 Lead Safe Cleveland Coalition ..... 833-601-5323  
 Lupus Foundation of America/Ohio ..... 440-717-0183  
 Malachi House...[www.malachihouse.org](http://www.malachihouse.org).....621-8831  
 Metro Health Old Brooklyn Health Center..... 957-2100  
 Medicaid Hotline [www.Medicaid.ohio.gov](http://www.Medicaid.ohio.gov) . 1-800-324-8680  
 Medicaid Benefits <https://benefits.ohio.gov> 1-844-640-6446

Greater Cleveland Habitat for Humanity .....429-1299  
<https://www.clevelandhabitat.org>  
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 Neighborhood Assistance Corp. of Amer .....425-602-6222  
 Northeast Ohio Apartment Association ..... 241-1635  
 Ohio Housing Finance Agency .....888-362-6432  
 Rebuilding Together Northeast Ohio ..... 330-773-4100  
 ReStore -Habitat for Humanity ..... 429-1299  
 Right to Counsel Cleveland Free Eviction Help...861-5835  
[www.FreeEvictionHelp.org](http://www.FreeEvictionHelp.org)  
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 Tenant Information Line (Legal Aid) ..... 861-5955  
 Western Reserve Land Conservancy ..... 440-528-4150

**IMMIGRATION & REFUGEE SERVICES**

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[www.buildinghopeinthecity.org](http://www.buildinghopeinthecity.org)  
 Catholic Charities Migration and Refugee Services 939-3769  
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 Legal Aid Detained Immigrant Intake Line .....861-5700  
 Ohio Immigrant Alliance <https://ohioimmigrant.org/>  
 ICE Raid and Police Abuse Hotline 419-777-4357  
 Joseph House..... 431-7200  
[josephhouseofcleveland.org](http://josephhouseofcleveland.org)  
 Partnership for Good Health..... 505-1171  
 Refugee Services Collaborative <https://www.rscclleveland.org/>  
 Re:Source Cleveland 263-3877 [www.resourcecleveland.org](http://www.resourcecleveland.org)  
 Smart Development Inc.....309-0833  
 U.S. Committee for Refugees and Immigrants .....781-4560  
<https://refugees.org/uscri-cleveland/>

**LIBRARIES**

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 Cleveland Memory Project ..... [www.clevelandmemory.org](http://www.clevelandmemory.org)  
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 Cleveland Public Library Main Branch.....623-2800  
 Homebound Service Department..... 623-7005  
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 Kanopy ..... <https://www.kanopy.com/en/cpl/>  
 CLEVENET Library Consortium [www.clevnet.org](http://www.clevnet.org)  
 Brooklyn Branch ..... 623-6920  
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 Fulton Branch.....623-6969  
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 Lorain Branch ..... 623-7011  
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 South Brooklyn ..... 623-7067  
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 Cuyahoga County Public Library.....[www.cuyahogalibrary.org](http://www.cuyahogalibrary.org)  
 Ohio Library for the Blind and Physically Disabled .623-2911  
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**MENTAL HEALTH & HELP LINES**

Alcohol, Drug Addiction Mental Health Services....241-3400  
[www.admhsc.org](http://www.admhsc.org)  
 Applewood Centers... [www.applewoodcenters.org](http://www.applewoodcenters.org)...459-9827  
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 Cuyahoga County 24-Hour Suicide Prevention, Mental  
 Health/ Addiction Crisis Information & Referral Hotline ...988  
 Depression & Bipolar Support Alliance. [www.dbsalliance.org](http://www.dbsalliance.org)  
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 Joy's House of Love .....[www.joyshouseoflove.com](http://www.joyshouseoflove.com)  
 Magnolia Club House ..... 721-3030  
[www.magnoliacclubhouse.org](http://www.magnoliacclubhouse.org)  
 MetroHealth Behavioral Health Services .....778-4428  
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[www.MurtisTaylor.org](http://www.MurtisTaylor.org)  
 National Alliance for the Mentally Ill Gr. Cleve ... 875-7776  
<https://namigreatercleveland.org>  
 National Eating Disorders Association  
[www.nationaleatingdisorders.org](http://www.nationaleatingdisorders.org)  
 Ohio Guidestone . <https://ohioguidestone.org> . 844-622-5564  
 Ohio Department of Mental Health & Addiction Services  
 ..... <https://mha.ohio.gov>  
 St. Vincent Charity Outpatient Behavioral Health ... 363-2570  
 Signature Health ..... 440-578-8200  
 Thrive Peer Recovery Ser 24 Hr. Warmline ..... 440-886-5950

**MONEY MATTERS**

Affordable Care Act [www.healthcare.gov](http://www.healthcare.gov)... 1-800-318-2596  
 Better Business Bureau ..... <https://www.bbb.org>  
 Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services... 1-800-633-4227  
 City of Cleveland Office of Fair Housing ..... 664-2018  
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 Cleveland Department of Aging.....664-2833  
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<https://clevelandwestside.helpfulvillage.com>  
 Cuyahoga Community College Program 60 ..... 987-6000  
 Cuyahoga County Division Senior & Adult Services 420-6700  
 Golden Buckeye Card (Ohio Dept of Aging)..1-800-422-1976  
 Greater Cleveland Volunteers ..... 391-9500  
 Hispanic Senior Center..... 939-3713  
 Kirby Manor Apartments..... 521-5445  
 Livable Cuyahoga . [www.livablecuyahoga.us](http://www.livablecuyahoga.us) .....263-4670  
 Long Term Care Ombudsman.[www.ltco.org](http://www.ltco.org)...1-800-365-3112  
 National Caucus & Center on Black Aging ..... 202-637-8400  
 Ohio Senior Health Insurance Info Prog.....800-686-1578  
 Older Person Law Unit.(Legal Aid) ..... 888-817-3777  
 St. Vincent Charity Geriatric Psychiatry ..... 363-2580  
 Senior Citizen Resources Inc. (Old Brooklyn) ..... 749-5367  
 West Side Community House Healthy Aging Center  
 771-7297 ext. 303  
 Western Reserve Area Agency on Aging.....621-0303  
 Family Caregiver Support..... 586-3441  
[www.areaagingsolutions.org](http://www.areaagingsolutions.org)

**SUBSTANCE ABUSE TREATMENT**

Addiction/Mental Health Crisis Hotline: ... 623-6888 or 988  
 Alcohol Drug Addiction Mental Health Services .. 241-3400  
[www.adamhsc.org](http://www.adamhsc.org)  
 Alcoholics Anonymous .....241-7387  
 Al-Anon & Alateen.....621-1381  
 Catholic Charities Services- Substance Abuse Treatment  
<https://www.ccdocle.org> ..... 334-2900  
 Community Action Against Addiction.....881-0765  
 Covenant Adolescent Chemical Dependency  
 Treatment and Prevention Center..... 574-9000  
 Edna House for Women . <https://ednahouse.org>... 281-7751  
 Frontline Services Mobile Crisis Team ..... 623-6888  
 Hispanic Urban Minority Alcohol and Drug Abuse  
 Outreach Program (HUMADAOP)..... 459-1222  
 Hitchcock Center for Women ..... 421-0662  
 MetroHealth Project DAWN (Naloxone)..... 387-6290  
 Narcotics Anonymous (NA)... 1-888-GET-HOPE (438-4673)  
 NA Western Area General Service (WAGS)  
[www.wagsna.com](http://www.wagsna.com)  
 Northern Ohio Recovery Association (NORA).....391-6672  
[www.norainc.org](http://www.norainc.org)  
 Recovery Resources.....431-4131  
 St. Vincent Charity Rosary Hall ..... 363-2580  
 Salvation Army Alcohol Detox Unit ..... 1-800-SA-TRUCK  
 Stella Maris ..... 781-0550  
[www.stellamariscleveland.com](http://www.stellamariscleveland.com)  
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**Michael McDonald retires from position as Community Relations Second District Representative**



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Wednesday, February 5, 2025; Retirement party for Community Relations Second District Representative Michael McDonald, Sachsenheim Hall, 7001 Denison Avenue: (L-R) Ward 13 Council Member Kris Harsh, Lynn Scheerhorn, Michael McDonald, Ward 12 Council Member Rebecca Maurer, and Ward 16 Council Member Brian Kazy.

Friends, family, and co-workers held a surprise retirement party for Michael McDonald on February 5<sup>th</sup> at Sachsenheim Hall. McDonald is retiring from his position as Second Police District Representative for the City of Cleveland's Community Relations Board where among other duties he coordinated the monthly community meetings for the Second District Community Policing Committee. Prior to working for Community Relations McDonald

worked for a nonprofit called SafetyNet which worked closely with then Ward 18 Council Member Jay Westbrook on safety issues.

McDonald, a musician, regularly provides entertainment at Sachsenheim Hall. Among the retirement gifts he received was a guitar and a different cowboy hat for every day of the week. (McDonald's signature headwear)

McDonald is married to Lynn Scheerhorn. The couple met forty years ago

when they both were doing community organizing in Buffalo. In 1985, they both came to Cleveland to work for the Ohio Public Interest Campaign, which is now called Ohio Citizen Action. Scheerhorn stayed with Ohio Citizen Action and now plans to retire from the organization. Scheerhorn says their son Kyle and his wife have brought them their first grandchild. The couple's retirement plans include spending time with their children, their families, and their first grandchild.

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federal jobs. Brown said many lawsuits have been filed by advocacy organizations to challenge some of the actions of the Trump administration and the illegal Department of Government Efficiency (DOGE) led by billionaire Elon Musk.

Congresswoman Brown thanked those in the crowd for showing up and voicing their concerns and urged community members to get involved in writing letters to Congress members, showing up for demonstrations, and keeping her office aware of their concerns and the impact of federal cuts on their families and communities.

Brown said community involvement was a crucial part of opposition to the Trump agenda. She called the present

time "an all-hands-on-deck moment" and urged those present to tell their stories on her website at: shontelbrown.house.gov. She said gathering of data and personal testimonies will help her to formulate a response to the destructive agenda of the Trump administration. She believes that three Republicans can be found in the House of Representatives to help stop some of the destructive cuts now being proposed.

Following her speech, Brown listened to comments and answered questions from about fifty concerned residents.

Topics ranged from concerns about family members losing their federal jobs, concern by a local nonprofit over losing funding that helps to provide essential services to the formerly homeless, concern about loss of staffing needed to serve veterans, a disabled veteran expressed worry that he would be unable to use his GI benefits to continue his education, worry about the treatment of immigrants and refugees, concerns about how to prevent a fascist takeover of the country, and concerns by a scientist about losing research funding.

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