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## Cleveland Heights Neighborhood Association: Meetings Resume

The Cleveland Heights Neighborhood Association will have its next monthly meeting in May. **Location and time TBD.**

Attendees are asked to wear face masks. Updates on the revitalization efforts will be forefront on the agenda.

Please contact Linda Askari, president of the association, at **(864) 274-1790** for more information.

## COVID-19 Vaccine: What You Should Know



The COVID-19 virus is continuing to have a devastating effect on our community and the nation. We here at The Northside Development Group want you to have as much information as possible to make an informed decision concerning this virus. The CDC and SC DHEC have provided answers to the most common questions concerning the COVID-19 virus and vaccine:

### SAFETY

The COVID-19 vaccine has been through the same trials as all vaccines. Research for a COVID vaccine had begun long before the pandemic when smaller outbreaks occurred.

### CAN I GET COVID FROM THE VACCINE?

No, these vaccines do not contain the COVID virus so you cannot get COVID-19 from having the vaccine.

### WHERE CAN I GET THE VACCINE?

You can visit [scdhec.gov/vaxlocator](https://scdhec.gov/vaxlocator) to see the locations accepting appointments for the COVID-19 vaccine. At this site you can pick a location and call the phone number to make an appointment. If you DO NOT have computer access, you can call **DHEC'S CARE LINE at 1-855-472-3432** to find information to make an appointment. The **CARE LINE** will provide you with phone numbers of locations offering vaccine appointments.

### HOW MUCH DOES THE VACCINE COST?

The vaccine is completely free! They may still ask for your insurance info if you have health insurance to cover the cost.

### SIDE EFFECTS

The vaccine may cause some side effects as the body builds immunity to the virus, including pain, redness, and swelling at the injection site. Throughout the rest of your body, you may feel tiredness, headache, muscle pain, chills, fever, and nausea. Symptoms should subside within 1-2 days of onset.

### WHICH VACCINE SHOULD I GET?

All available vaccines have been through the same rigorous testing, and each have been shown to be effective against building immunity to the COVID-19 virus. Most of these vaccines are given in two shots, at least three weeks apart. If you are told you need two shots, make sure that you get both of them. The vaccines may work in slightly different ways, but all types of the vaccines will help protect you.

### DO I STILL NEED TO WEAR A MASK?

**Yes!** When you go to get the vaccine, you and your healthcare worker will need to wear masks. Even after you receive the vaccine, you must continue to wear your mask, wash your hands frequently, and stay at least 6 feet away from people you do not live with. You will not be immune until about 2 weeks after your final shot, and can still be a carrier once you're immune. Stay safe, stay well!

## The Northside Gateway Arts Project

The artist has been chosen! Olalekan Jeyifous, a Brooklyn-based artist whose art reflects the relationship between architecture, community, and the environment, has been commissioned to create an iconic outdoor artwork for the new gateway plaza at the corner of Howard and College Streets. When asked to share his perspective on the project, Jeyifous stated, "this opportunity is of great interest to me and I am very excited about producing artwork that reflects the values of the Northside community". The Northside Gateway Art Project is a partnership between The Northside Development Group and Northside Gateway Art Committee which consist of Northside stakeholders and arts professionals.

Jeyifous will be visiting the site in the upcoming months to continue the planning and community engagement process. The artwork is scheduled to be completed by the summer of 2022. We are looking forward to sharing this great experience with the entire City of Spartanburg.



Olalekan Jeyifous





Village at Creekside Townhouses Sketch



**PROJECT SUMMARY**

- 6 TWO STORY BROWNSTONES
  - 6 THREE STORY BROWNSTONES
  - 4 HILLSIDE A TOWNHOMES
  - 5 HILLSIDE B TOWNHOMES
  - 10 SINGLE FAMILY HOMES
  - MAIL KIOSK
- TOTAL: 31 HOMES  
 TOTAL: 36 PARKING SPACES ON SITE  
 TOTAL: 9 HOMES WITH GARAGES  
 TOTAL: 13 PUBLIC PARKING SPACES
- 2 SPACES PER SINGLE FAMILY  
 2 SPACES PER HILLSIDE TOWNHOME  
 1 SPACE PER BROWNSTONE
- ALL HOMES FRONT A STREET,  
 THE PARK OR THE GREENWAY.  
 ALLEY ACCESS IS FOR PARKING.

Village at Creekside Layout

## The Village at Creekside

The Northside Development Group is partnering with developer R.H. Quinn and Company, Inc. to create the Village at Creekside pocket neighborhood. The development will be located near the corner of Brawley St. and Manning St, adjacent to the Butterfly Creek Park, and will include up to 31 homes for homeownership, including townhomes and single-family homes. Infrastructure work will begin in May of 2020, and homes are expected to be available for pre-sale in late summer.

Homes will vary in size and price to be accessible for a wide range of family types and sizes. NDG will be offering down payment assistance of up to \$10,000 for qualifying families under our Homebuyer Program. If you are interested in pre-purchasing a home, or in building a custom single-family home please contact the Northside Development Group at [864.598.0097 ext. 4](tel:864.598.0097).

## New Apartments Nearing Completion

### 500 Northside Station and The Ellington

The Northside Development Group, along with the community, will soon celebrate the completion of two apartment complexes slated for tenant occupancy in mid-late August 2021.

The first of the two projects, 500 Northside Station, is located on the corner of Howard and College Streets. This facility will have 81 units leased as affordable and 9 units leased at market rate. The developer is NHE, and the builder is Creative Builders out of Greenville, S.C.

The second complex, located at 548 Magnolia St., will be known as The Ellington and will feature 50 affordable units designated for seniors 55 years and older. The developer for this project is Schaumber Development. Both facilities will be managed by NHE Management headquartered in Greenville, S.C. Both developments are taking applications.

These projects are scheduled for completion by Late Summer of 2021.



500 Northside Station



The Ellington

## Charrette Held for Community Engagement

In the month of February, The Northside Development Group held three “charrettes” to determine the desires of the community for a parcel of land located on Howard St. across from the Monarch Café, approximately 8 acres of land owned primarily by NDG. A charrette is a meeting or public workshop in which all stakeholders in a project attempt to resolve conflicts and map out solutions.

Mr. William Gray and his team with the McMillan, Pazden & Smith Architectural firm lead the discussion and noted the desires of residents, the Northside Voyagers, and stakeholders. In the months to come a plan will be revealed based on those desires. Through these charrettes, The Northside Development Group continues to promote its belief in working with the community to understand their needs and to provide support for sustainability.



# Time for Spring Cleaning!

With Spring in full bloom and everyone anticipating the joys of outdoor engagement, it is time to take a close look at the status of our property. The City of Spartanburg Property Maintenance and Housing Inspections Division will be visiting our communities to enforce City codes related to Property maintenance, nuisances, and housing violations. The Division inspects and enforces the following codes:

## OVERGROWN CONDITIONS

Property should not have grass taller than 12 inches in height. When the property is in violation, the property owner is sent a letter (1 annually) and is given (10) days to correct the violation. After the first notice, the City will cut the grass and issue a summons to the property owner to appear in court. For rental property, the owner is still responsible.

## DERELICT VEHICLES

A derelict vehicle, according to City codes is any vehicle that meets any of the following requirements:

- (1) Does not have a current motor license and on which property tax has not been paid;
- (2) Is partially dismantled or wrecked or incapable of self-propulsion or being moved in a manner for which it was originally intended;
- (3) Registered and legal owner of record disclaims ownership or releases his/her rights thereto; or
- (4) Has been left on private property without the consent of the owner, occupant or lessee thereof for a period of time exceeding 24 consecutive hours.

The property owner or vehicle owner will receive a (10) day notice to correct the violation. If the violation is not corrected, the City will place a tag on the vehicle and tow the vehicle. If the vehicle cannot be towed off the property by the City, the City will issue a summons to appear in court to the property owner or vehicle owner until the issue is resolved.

## JUNK ITEMS/DEBRIS

It is unlawful to allow junk items and debris to accumulate on property and is considered a nuisance. The City will notify the property owner who will have (10) days to correct the matter. If corrections are not made by the deadline, the City will issue a summons to the property owner to appear in court and may clear the property of the violation. The cost of clearing the property will be charged to the property owner.

The Northside Development Group and the Northside Voyagers encourage our neighbors to take pride in our neighborhood upkeep as we create a true community of choice, where existing residents want to stay and new resident want to move.

If your home is in need of repairs to correct a code violation, **please call NDG at 854.598.0097 ext. 4 for assistance.** For questions for the City, or to report a possible violation, please contact **Property Maintenance at (864) 596-2915.**

# “Buy It Back”- Community Development Plan

The Northside Development Group has partnered with James White Enterprises and Jefferson Legacy Group to build affordable properties and implement buyer programming designed to ensure that marginalized community members are able to purchase quality affordable housing.

In addition to this program, NDG offers financial literacy, budgeting, homebuyer workshops and down payment assistance services (up to 10K for those qualified), with the intent of increasing economic mobility for residents of the Northside community. The Northside Development Group has several options for those seeking to build in the Northside area as well.

**For more information or if you would like to schedule an appointment, please call 864-598-0097, ext.2.**



## VOYAGER SPOTLIGHT:

# Daryl Miller- A Community Success Story

In 2018, after working at a local manufacturing for 8 years, Daryl Miller decided that he wanted a better life. He heard about an event being sponsored by the Spartanburg Chamber of Commerce concerning “trade” school and came to The Northside Development Group to see if they knew anything about it. After understanding Mr. Miller’s intentions, NDG staff informed him of a program they offered known as the NCCER program (National Center for Construction Education and Research). Daryl then decided to go to school and become fully certified in carpentry, plumbing, and electrical. He graduated at the top of all (3) courses.



Mr. Miller has had the opportunity to travel the country as an electrician and currently works with J&L Builders Construction Company. Recently Daryl was awarded a contract from Lowes to do plumbing installations in all of their North and South Carolina stores. Mr. Millers is diligently working to build his own contracting company through networking, and will eventually construct and own a shopping center that will support minority businesses.

**We wish Mr. Miller the best!**



# Northside Voice is going digital!

NDG strives to provide accurate and timely updates to our neighbors and partners through the Northside Voice newsletter. However, most of our recipients prefer to read our newsletter online. To meet this need, NDG will be sending out future newsletters via email, as well as posting on our website.

If you would like to sign up for NDG's mailing list, please follow this link:  
[spartanburgndg.com/newsletter](http://spartanburgndg.com/newsletter)

*NDG will only send out periodic notices to this email and will never share your information outside of NDG staff.*

If you would like to continue to have a newsletter mailed to you, please fill out the form below and mail (or hand deliver) to the NDG office.

**501 Howard Street  
Suite A  
Spartanburg, SC 29303**



**NAME:** \_\_\_\_\_

**ADDRESS:** \_\_\_\_\_

**CITY:** \_\_\_\_\_

**STATE:** \_\_\_\_\_

**ZIP CODE:** \_\_\_\_\_

## Don't Forget!

### **The HUB City Farmers Market** 498 Howard Street

The HUB City Farmers Market: The Farmers Market at Harvest park is open for the season! Come visit on Saturdays from **8am-12pm** at **498 Howard St.** for fresh produce and other vendors!

### **Northside Neighborhood Association**

If you are interested in participating in the monthly Neighborhood Association meetings, please call **864-598-0097**. Your participation is vital to giving a voice to the community! Please visit meetings on the second Monday of every month at 6pm at the **Dr. T.K. Gregg Community Center**, 650 Howard St.

### **Monarch Café** Open Daily 498 Howard Street

Open Tuesday-Thursday for lunch with Pierre at **498 Howard St.** Stop by the Monarch Café today to see their wonderful programs and have a snack at the Café.

Be sure to stay up-to-date on events sponsored by The Butterfly Foundation. Check their website for more information on upcoming events:  
[www.butterfly-sc.com/events.html](http://www.butterfly-sc.com/events.html)

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