

FRANKLINTON NEWSLETTER

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Introduction



Happy November! Can you believe we only have 2 months remaining in 2021? We have a full issue of announcements, highlights, and upcoming events. Remember to vote in the local election on Tuesday, November 2nd! Find more information, including your polling location at: <https://vote.franklincountyohio.gov/>.

As always, check [Franklinton.org](http://franklinton.org) for updated information. Future issues can be found online at <http://franklinton.org/newsletter/>.

Announcement: Updated COTA Fairs

COTA's new equitable fare structure is now in effect! From flat rate fares to simplified discounts for children, these new policies either reduce or maintain transit fares for all customers.

- Fare capping – customers pay no more than \$4.50 a day or \$62 per month when they use the new fare management system launching later this fall
- Flat fare rate – eliminates the 75-cent upcharge on rush hour lines and makes the standard fare \$2 on all lines
- Simplified Transfers – allows for 2-hour accessibility for any fare paid in place of the 1-way restriction
- Simplified children discounts – eliminates height specifications for children and allows children under 5 to board at no cost and children between ages 5 and 12 to board for \$1.

Learn more: <https://www.cota.com/>.



Announcement: COVID-19 Booster Shots

Columbus Public Health is following CDC, FDA and Ohio Department of Health guidelines and is now offering COVID-19 Moderna and J&J booster shots to people who are eligible at Columbus Public Health and our community COVID-19 vaccine clinics with no appointment needed. Groups that are eligible for a Pfizer or Moderna booster shot (at least 6 months after their primary series) include: people 65 years and older and residents in long-term care settings, people aged 18–64 years with underlying medical conditions, and people aged 18–64 years who are at increased risk for COVID-19 exposure and transmission because of occupational or institutional setting. Boosters for J&J are for those 18 and up who have had at least 2 months from the first dose.

Learn more: <https://columbus.gov/c19vax>.

Announcement: Council Residential Districting Maps

In 2018, Columbus voters elected to add two additional seats to Columbus City Council and create residential districts within which Councilmembers must reside. As part of this process, an independent, citizen-led commission, the Council Residential Districting Commission (CRDC) was formed to create a map with nine districts. CRDC has hosted a number of meetings focused on education and community input as they prepared to draw the maps. As the CRDC continues the map drawing process, they want to hear from residents.

The CRDC will submit three maps to Council and Council will vote and choose one of those maps. These districts will go into effect in the 2023 Council election. Three maps were released in the beginning of October, and the release of these maps begins a 30-day comment period before the release of the third draft of maps in November, and it's important that you let the Commission know your thoughts. The comment period ends November 6th. View the maps and add your comments here: <https://columbus.gov/districtingcommission/>.

Organization Highlight: Carol Stewart Village

Star House, Finance Fund, and Columbus Metropolitan Housing Authority (CMHA) have partnered to transform two blighted motels, situated on four acres in Franklinton, into below-market-rate studio apartments with on-site access to education and transitional employment resources; mental and physical health care and transportation; and intentional social connections through mentoring and opportunities to engage in the Franklinton community. The campus is named Carol Stewart Village after a long-time, Franklinton civic advocate and offers a community within a community.



Each year, thousands of young people in Central Ohio struggle to navigate from adolescence to independence and fall into homelessness. Star House is a social service agency that operates Central Ohio's only drop-in center for youth, ages 14–24, who are experiencing homelessness. Youth are provided access to food, clothing, hygiene items, laundry facilities, showers and a safe place to be. Beyond basic needs, our clinical team provides therapy and case management, and partner agencies provide on-site and community-based access to stabilizing resources, such as housing, transportation, health care, employment, education, addiction services, legal aid, government benefits, ID cards and more. Last year, in partnership with Finance Fund and CMHA, Star House has opened Carol Stewart Village—a neighborhood for emerging adults.



Resource Highlight: Rentful 614

Rentful provides simple, reliable, and easy-to-access information on the Central Ohio programs that help you stay safe at home. They dispel common myths, provide eviction information customized to Franklin County, and highlight the places you can go to get more help. Rentful works collaboratively with funders and nonprofit providers across Franklin County to report out how rent assistance programs are helping.



About one-third of Ohio tenants are having trouble paying their rent. There are new tools to help people pay rent and stop eviction. Don't let the pandemic jeopardize your housing stability.

Small and mid-sized landlords saw rent revenue drop more than 50 percent. Rent assistance helps property owners meet their expenses and protect the revenue needed to maintain safe rental properties.

To learn more, visit: <https://www.rentful614.com/>.

Upcoming Virtual Event: Practicing Self-Care

Mount Carmel Healthy Living Center is hosting a Healthy Living At Home Virtual session on Practicing Self-Care. This series provides simple techniques you can use to ease the effects of stress. You are welcome to attend one or more sessions. This series will include a free self-care kit to those who register for two or more sessions. Information about self-care kit pickup will be emailed to participants prior to program start date.

Registration is required! To register, please email healthylivingcenter@mchs.com or visit <http://www.mountcarmelhealth.com/hlc>.

Topics include:

Acupressure and Breath Work to Relieve Stress: Tuesday, 11/2 @ 11:30AM-12:30PM

Increase Your Energy In Your Daily Life: Tuesday, 11/16 @ 11:30AM-12:30PM

Mindfulness For Resilience: Tuesday, 11/30 @ 11:30AM-12:30PM

Physical Wellbeing and Ease: Tuesday, 12/14 @ 11:30AM-12:30PM

Upcoming Event: Franklinterennial Kickoff

Join the Franklinton Arts District in kicking off the holiday season and upcoming yearlong Franklinterennial celebration in 2022 with a Franklinton small business market and nonprofit showcase on Saturday, November 27 from 3-7PM. The market and showcase will be District-wide at 400 Square, Land-Grant Brewing, Gravity, and more, and free to attend. With this being Small Business Saturday and Giving Tuesday the following week, the market and showcase will be a wonderful opportunity to spotlight the people, places, and work happening in Franklinton.

If would like to participate, more information and a sign-up can be found at <https://bit.ly/franklinterennialkickoff>. Please sign up by Wednesday, November 3. If you have any questions, please reach out to Johnny Riddle at johnny@franklintonartsdistrict.com.

Upcoming Event: Thanksgiving Meal

Crossroads World Outreach Ministries (165 S Cypress Ave) is hosting a FREE Thanksgiving dinner on November 20th from 5-7PM. You can eat with Crossroads or take the meal to-go. While supplies last.




Calendar of Events: November

To see more details on the events listed visit: <https://franklinton.org/resources/events/>.

M	TU	W	TH	F	SA/SU
1 Mobile Dress for Success @ Franklinton Library, 11AM-3PM	2 Election Day	3 FAC Executive Committee @ 6PM, West Park UMC	4	5	6/7

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8 Mobile Dress for Success @ Franklinton Library, 11AM-3PM	9 Franklinton Area Commission @ 6PM, West Park UMC	10	11 Veteran's Day	12 Franklinton Friday @ 6-10PM	13/14

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15 Mobile Dress for Success @ Franklinton Library, 11AM-3PM	16	17	18	19	20/21 Thanksgiving Meal at Crossroads World Outreach Ministries @ 5-7PM on 11/20

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22 Mobile Dress for Success @ Franklinton Library, 11AM-3PM	23	24	25  Thanksgiving	26	27/28 Franklinton Kickoff Market & Showcase @ 3-7PM on 11/27

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29 Mobile Dress for Success @ Franklinton Library, 11AM-3PM	30

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

